2018 Project Achievement Award Program

10' x 6' Precast box culvert, Northwest Iowa
Photos: Hancock Concrete Products, LLC

96” O-ring, Class III Precast Concrete Pipe, Monmouth County, New Jersey
Photos: Oldcastle Precast

12' x 6' Precast box culvert, Eaton County, Michigan
Photos: Northern Concrete Pipe, Inc.
Purpose:
To recognize agencies which have demonstrated creative and innovative accomplishments through projects that have been designed utilizing precast concrete pipe or boxes.
Promote public awareness of the activities and contributions of public agencies and the ACPA and its members.

Eligibility:
Any member agency of AASHTO may enter this Award Program. Agencies and ACPA members may submit projects jointly or separately. ACPA members submitting projects separately must obtain the signature of the responsible agency on their Entry Form.

Schedule:
Application Packets/Entry Forms Due:  March 1, 2018
Notification of Winners:  April 15, 2018
Awards Presentation:  During AASHTO Bridge and Structures Subcommittee meeting in Vermont.

General Criteria:
All entries must involve a project utilizing precast concrete pipe and/or four-sided box culverts and be submitted in accordance with the rules outlined in this document.
Agency or ACPA members may enter as many qualified projects as they wish.
Projects that have received awards from other organizations may be entered.
Projects must have been completed and in use between January 1, 2012 and December 31, 2017.
Entries must comply with the Submission Guidelines section of this document. Failure to comply may disqualify an entry.
ACPA Awards Committee reserves the right to determine entry eligibility.

Judging and Judging Criteria:
A panel of qualified judges will evaluate entries for all projects based on the work completed by the entering organization(s). Finalists and winners are selected based on overall project excellence. Judges will evaluate and compare projects based on the following Judging Criteria:
• Public involvement and education
• Use of new materials or large diameter concrete pipe
• Use of new technologies
• Innovation
• Complexity
• Cost effectiveness
• Environmental benefits
Note: Projects may or may not involve all seven of the above criteria.

Submission Guidelines:
Each entry must include:
A completed Entry Form; forms must be signed by the agency having jurisdiction over the project.
A brief narrative describing the project as it relates to the Judging Criteria previously listed. The narrative should not exceed five pages. Submit at least 3 photographs. All photographs must be high resolution, 300 DPI or better. Additional photographs and other relevant material may also be submitted. The complete application packet must not exceed ten pages.

Due Date:  March 1, 2018
Please complete online form: www.concretepipe.org/project-achievement-award-program-entry-form and send all submission narratives and photos to Josh Beakley at jbeakley@concretepipe.org with the email Subject line: 2017 PAW Submission.

Public Relations:
The winning project will be honored during an awards ceremony at the AASHTO Bridge and Structures Subcommittee Meeting in Vermont. The winning project will be featured in an upcoming issue of Concrete Pipe News. The Awards Committee will issue a press release to publicize the Awards Program and the award-winning project.

Special Recognition:
Pictures submitted with the project applications will be incorporated into a powerpoint slide show at the AASHTO Awards Ceremony. Additionally, all project submittals will receive recognition in the Fall Issue of the ACPA Concrete Pipe News magazine.
Award Winner will be invited to accept the award and say a few words during the Awards Ceremony. Further information will be provided with the notification of award in April.

Questions?
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