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Nominations Sought for Outstanding Achievements in Local Public Works Projects

Olympia — Nominations are being sought for the ninth annual Infrastructure Assistance Coordinating Council (IACC) Awards. The IACC is seeking nominations for outstanding achievement in Public Works Projects throughout the State. The IACC Awards will be presented at awards luncheon during the IACC Conference in Wenatchee on Wednesday, October 25th. Nominations are due Friday, September 8th.

The purpose of the IACC Awards is to acknowledge outstanding achievement by IACC members, local governments, and individuals whose efforts best showcase the mission of the IACC to assist rural communities in improving utilities and repairing failing infrastructure. Nominees should clearly demonstrate a commitment to communities, the infrastructure that makes communities livable, creative problem solving, or demonstrate a lifetime of success in these areas.

Nominations can be made in one of the following categories:

- Community impact
- Sustainability
- Transportation Improvements
- Solid- or wastewater
- Drinking water
- Capital facilities
- Creative solutions to common problems, and
- The coveted Joe Mitschelen lifetime achievement award for public service.

The nominees will be evaluated based upon how well local communities were involved in the project nominated; net benefit to the communities served; a clear pattern of sustainable community development, and a creative use of funding, or cost savings to rate and taxpayers.

Your IACC Conference registration materials will include a voter's pamphlet and a registration form for the "2017 Outstanding Achievement in Public Infrastructure Awards."

Last year's winners included the City of Pateros for the reinstallation of art work destroyed by devastating wildfires; Stevens County PUD for improvements to their water system; the Town of Rockford for their new waste water treatment facility; the City of Richland for the installation of LED street lighting and the neighboring community of West Richland was also honored for improvements to their capital facilities.

The IACC is dedicated to helping communities identify and obtain resources they need to develop, improve and maintain public works programs. Together with IACC, communities are better able to provide the infrastructure necessary to enhance, preserve and protect Washington's environment and quality of life.

For details on how to nominate individuals or organization for the IACC Awards for Outstanding Public Works Projects please visit www.infracfunding.wa.gov. Nominations must be postmarked or submitted to the IACC by Friday, September 8, 2017 at 5 p.m. Nomination forms, instructions and other information about the awards may be obtained by visiting the website or by contacting:

Russell Holter at 360.586.3533 or russell.holter@dahp.wa.gov in Olympia; or
Cynthia Wall at 509-329-3537 in Spokane.

Pronunciation guide: Mitschelen (MISH a-lin) like the tires.



Infrastructure Assistance Coordinating Council's

9th Annual Awards

For Outstanding Achievement In Infrastructure

<p>Award Categories</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Impact • Solid Waste • Drinking Water • Creative Solutions • Transportation • Wastewater • Capital Facilities • Sustainable Development <p style="text-align: center;">Joe Mitschelen Lifetime Achievement Award</p>		
<p>Eligible Applicants</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tribal Nations • Individuals • Cities • Counties • Public Utility Districts • Water / Sewer Districts • Municipal Entities • Quasi-Municipal Entities 		
<p>Nomination Submittal</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>APPLICATIONS DUE: 5PM SEPTEMBER 8, 2017</u></p> <p>Email, mail, ship, or hand-deliver nominations to:</p> <p>Russell Holter, IACC Awards Committee Chair Russell.holter@dahp.wa.gov Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation PO Box 48343 Olympia WA 98504-8343</p>		
<p>Questions?</p>	<p>Awards Committee</p>		
	<p>Russell Holter, Chair 360.586.3533 Russell.holter@dahp.wa.gov</p>	<p>Cynthia Wall 509.329.3537 Cynthia.wall@ecy.wa.gov</p>	<p>Ann Campbell 360.725.3153 Ann.campbell@commerce.wa.gov</p>
<p>Awards Ceremony: <u>Wednesday, October 25, 2017</u> Coast Wenatchee Convention Center</p>			

1.	Choose an award category below: <i>Only one (1) category per nomination:</i>		
	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY IMPACT <input type="checkbox"/> SOLID WASTE <input type="checkbox"/> DRINKING WATER <input type="checkbox"/> CREATIVE SOLUTIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION <input type="checkbox"/> WASTEWATER <input type="checkbox"/> CAPITAL FACILITIES <input type="checkbox"/> SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> JOE MITSCHELEN LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
2.	Name and contact information of person making nomination:		
Name		Title	
Phone		Email	
Address			
3.	Name of NOMINEE:		
Contact Person			
Phone		Email	
Address			
4.	Nomination Statement: Explain how the NOMINEE deserves recognition for achievement in the award category selected in Item 1 above. Include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project description • Challenges that were overcome, or • Opportunities that were maximized • Highlights of success • Identify how IACC played a role in the project's success • Any other information that supports the selection of the NOMINEE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Photos, presentations, publications, etc.</i> • Before, in-progress, and completed photos are strongly encouraged! <p><i>Attach additional pages as necessary</i></p>		