



South Carolina Prescribed Fire Council ANNUAL AWARD NOMINATIONS

The Awards Committee of the SC Prescribed Fire Council is pleased to announce and launch an annual awards program to recognize significant contributions in the field of prescribed fire by practitioners, landowners, and advocates.

The nomination period for the 2018 awards is now open. The activity period for the award is September 2017 through August 2018. Nominations and supporting materials must be received by Friday, August 10th.

Anyone may submit a nomination for an individual or group that has demonstrated outstanding service in the following categories. The awards committee will evaluate the nominations and supporting materials and present awards at the Annual Meeting in September.

Private Landowner Prescribed Burner of the Year

This award recognizes a private landowner who has demonstrated significant achievements in the implementation of prescribed fire as a natural resource management tool on his/her own property, as well as promoted the benefits of prescribed burning within his/her community. Criteria is not limited to number of acres burned annually, but may also include overcoming obstacles to prescribed burning on his/her property, assisting fellow landowners with implementing prescribed burning, and demonstrating marked enhancement or improvement of his/her natural resources through the implementation of a successful prescribed fire regime.

Lifetime Achievement for Excellence in Prescribed Fire

This award recognizes an individual who is an ambassador for the advancement of prescribed fire in South Carolina through his/her dedication and contribution in this field. These accomplishments may have been made in management, education, research, administration, or in a combination of activities. The award honors an individual who meets at least one of the following criteria:

- Has twenty or more years of experience in South Carolina as a prescribed fire practitioner, researcher, manager, or advocate;
- Is at, or near, retirement;
- Is leaving South Carolina after a long tenure; or
- Is being recognized posthumously.

Excellence in Prescribed Fire Management, Innovation, Research or Advocacy

This award recognizes an individual (or group) who has demonstrated significant achievements as a practitioner, advocate within the community of practice, researcher, or educator. Criteria are not limited to number of acres burned annually, but may also include overcoming obstacles to prescribed burning in his/her community, assisting fellow practitioners with implementing prescribed burning, advocating for prescribed fire as a natural resource management tool for lands throughout South Carolina, conducting research that leads to a greater understanding of

prescribed fire processes in fire adapted communities, or effectively promoting the benefits of prescribed burning to the public using both traditional and new communication technologies.

Please fill out the attached form and submit to Lyne Askins (lyneaskins@yahoo.com) by Friday, August 10th. Although not required, you may wish to include additional letters of support, photographs, or other items that support the nomination. Nominees receiving multiple nominations across the community of practice will be considered favorably.

(Please type or neatly print all entries)

1. Award: _____
2. Name of nominee: _____
Address of nominee: _____

3. Employer of nominee (if applicable): _____
4. Telephone number of nominee _____
(Business) (Residence)
5. E-mail address of nominee: _____

6. Describe in detail the nominee's outstanding service and contributions that warrant nomination for the designated award. What has the nominee accomplished that causes you to believe he or she is the best-qualified candidate for this award? What has the nominee accomplished beyond those expectations of their regular job? Be explicit, concise, and factual. Continue on additional sheets if necessary.

7. Nomination submitted by: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone #: _____