



## 2019 STEPHEN KELLERT AWARD

### **Purpose of Award:**

To recognize a distinguished individual or group effort for outstanding service in advancing connections between humans and the natural world to all peoples in a diverse and inclusive manner.

### **Nominations:**

The nominated agency and/or individual must be a state, provincial or federal agency associated with the Association or an affiliate or contributing member organization. The award is primarily designed to recognize both internal and external accomplishments over time.

### **Judging:**

The winner will be selected by judges appointed annually by the chair of the Association's Awards Committee.

### **Award:**

Recipients of the Stephen Kellert Award will receive a plaque at the Annual Awards Banquet held during AFWA's Annual Meeting in September.

### **Criteria:**

Stephen Kellert explored the links between people and nature – advancing connections between humans and the natural world. This award recognizes the importance of connecting all people – from diverse cultural, ethnic, and philosophical backgrounds – to the natural world to enhance the public's appreciation, conservation, and nature promoted health and well-being.

Nominated individuals must be associated with a state, provincial, or federal agency or an AFWA affiliate or contributing member organization.

**Nominations will be evaluated on:** Quality and effectiveness of connecting people with nature in a broad, diverse, and inclusive manor, which may include internal organizational commitments to a broad and diverse agency workforce and/or external efforts to connect with new constituents. Evaluation criteria will be based on:

- a. Magnitude of the benefits (financial, political, actual)
- b. Duration of benefits (immediate, long-term or anticipated)
- c. Geographic breadth (local, national, international)

**Application:**

Please include the following items in your nomination packet:

1. Name, address, email and telephone number of nominator.
2. Name, address, email and telephone number of nominated agency and team leader/group effort.
3. Description of diverse and inclusive relevancy actions to connect people to nature and increase state fish and wildlife effectiveness. Please provide a brief narrative (pictures and/or video if available).
4. Description of outcomes as a result of nominees work (please provide a brief narrative).

**Nominations should be sent to:**

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\*Accepting electronic nominations only/

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**Deadline to Submit Nominations:**

**July 1, 2019**