

FLORIDA RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION

2025 Annual Drinking Water and Wastewater Awards

The Florida Rural Water Association (FRWA) Board of Directors and Staff are pleased to announce that ten Water and Wastewater Awards will be presented at the FRWA 2025 Annual Conference to be held at the **Daytona Beach Hilton on July 29-31, 2025**. The awards will be presented during the FRWA Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, July 30th. Only members are eligible to nominate for system awards. **A system, a representative, or the nominee must be present to accept the award to win.** If you need further information, please contact us at 800.872.8207. We hope that you plan to attend this exciting Conference. For your convenience, we are including a registration form for you to complete and return to FRWA. For the latest in information on this and other training opportunities offered by FRWA, please visit our website at www.frwa.net.

The award categories and minimum criteria are as follows:

- 1. MANAGER/ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR**
- 2. SYSTEM OFFICE EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR**
- 3. WASTEWATER OPERATOR OF THE YEAR**
 - A. Must possess Active Certification in the State of Florida
 - B. Must be in compliance with the Department of Environmental Protection (Rule 61E12-41)
 - C. Must be employed by a current FRWA Member System
- 4. DRINKING WATER OPERATOR OF THE YEAR**
 - A. Must possess Active Certification in the State of Florida
 - B. Must be in compliance with the Department of Environmental Protection (Rule 61E12-41)
 - C. Must be employed by a current FRWA Member System
- 5. DISTRIBUTION/COLLECTION OPERATOR OF THE YEAR**
 - A. Must be a separate position other than a water or wastewater treatment plant operator
 - B. Must be in compliance with the Department of Environmental Protection
 - C. Must be employed by a current FRWA Member System
- 6. SMALL PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM OF THE YEAR** (serving a population < 3,300 residents)
 - A. Must have a state certified drinking water operator
 - B. Must be in compliance with the State of Florida
 - C. Must be a current FRWA member in good standing
- 7. MEDIUM PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM OF THE YEAR** (serving a population >3,300)
 - A. Must have a state certified drinking water operator
 - B. Must be in compliance with the State of Florida
 - C. Must be a current FRWA member in good standing
- 8. SMALL WASTEWATER SYSTEM OF THE YEAR** (serving a population < 3,300 residents)
 - A. Must have a state certified wastewater operator
 - B. Must be in compliance with the State of Florida
 - C. Must be a current FRWA member in good standing
- 9. MEDIUM WASTEWATER SYSTEM OF THE YEAR** (serving a population > 3,300 residents)
 - A. Must have a state certified wastewater operator
 - B. Must be in compliance with the State of Florida
 - C. Must be a current FRWA member in good standing
- 10. FRWA SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD**

For State, Federal, or other agency personnel from DEP, DOH, or Water Management District, PSC, RD, etc. for positive support of water/wastewater industry, nominated by water system, fellow workers, or peers

If you would like to place your system and/or employee name in nomination for any of these awards, simply complete the enclosed form and return it by Monday, June 30, 2025. Awards for each of the ten categories will be presented based upon a satisfactory number of nominees. The FRWA Awards Review Committee will then review all nominees and may conduct an on-site evaluation of the system/personnel. Please email your nominations to Jim.Cagno@frwa.net:

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2024 AWARDS NOMINATION

Categories

Please check the appropriate category for your nomination.

- ☐ **Manager/Administrator of the Year System Office**
- ☐ **Office Employee of the Year Drinking Water**
- ☐ **Drinking Water Operator of the Year**
- ☐ **Wastewater Operator of the Year**
- ☐ **Distribution/Collection Operator of the Year Small Public**
- ☐ **Water System of the Year**
(serving a population less than 3,300 residents)
- ☐ **Medium Public Water System of the Year**
(serving a population greater than 3,300 residents)
- ☐ **Small Wastewater System of the Year**
(serving a population less than 3,300 residents)
- ☐ **Medium Wastewater System of the Year**
(serving a population greater than 3,300 residents)

Name of Nominee (please print)	Title of Nominee (please print)

Member System (please print)

<p>Please give a brief explanation of the reason why you feel this person or system should be considered for an award:</p>

IF NECESSARY, ADDITIONAL INFORMATION MAY BE ATTACHED TO THIS FORM