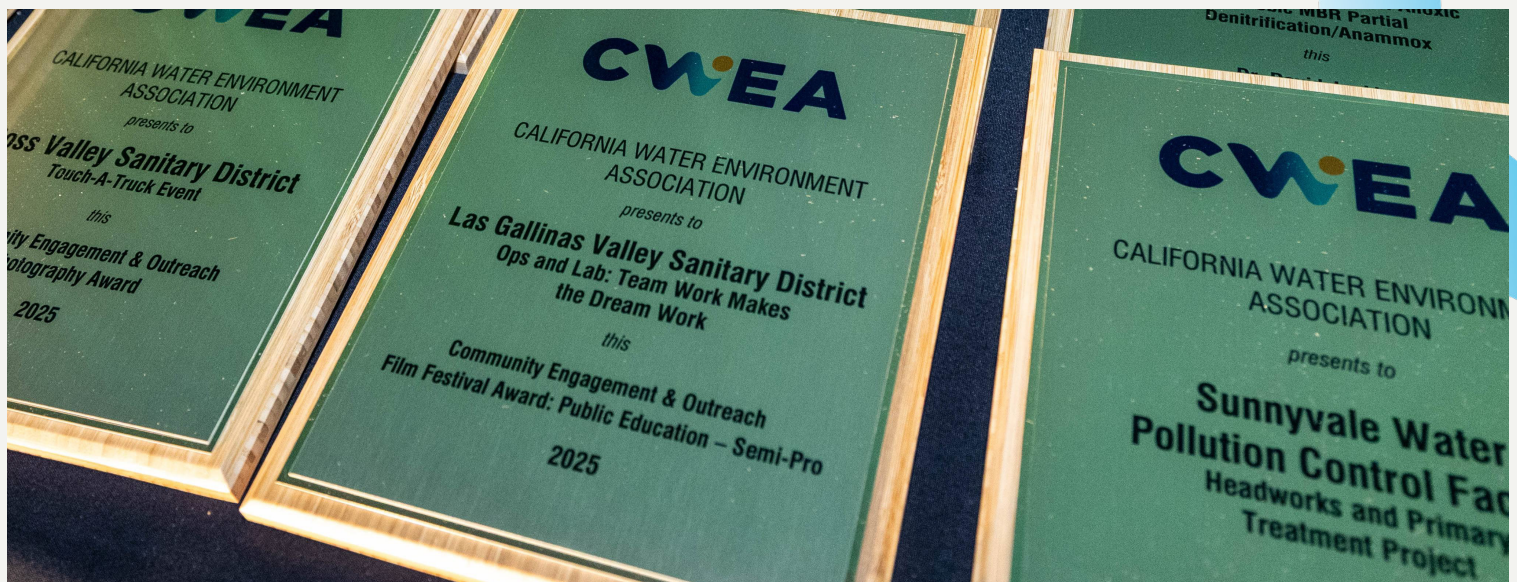




2026-
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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS CWEA AWARDS

STEPS TO APPLY

STEP 1

Find your Local Section and their award deadline, typically fall/winter.

STEP 2

Review the criteria at cwea.org and gather the detailed information.

STEP 3

Click Apply.

STEP 4

Select the category.

STEP 5

Complete the online application.

STEP 6

Local Section winners announced in December and January and forwarded to the State for review.

STEP 7

State winners announced in March. Good luck!

For more than 96 years, the CWEA Awards have recognized outstanding individuals, agencies, and organizations advancing California's wastewater profession. The highest-scoring nomination in each category automatically advances to the state level, with no additional application required except for Collection System of the Year and Safety Plant of the Year, which require a second-round questionnaire.

Awards Timeline

- **July 1:** Awards program opens
- **Nov. 6:** Local Section winners due to CWEA
- **Nov. 20:** Part Two applications due (Collections & Safety)
- **Week of Nov. 23:** Applications distributed to statewide committees
- **Jan. 15:** State committee winners, Quarter Century, 5S, and Photo Contest submissions due
- **First Week of Feb.:** MER approves final slate
- **Early Feb.:** Winners notified, plaques ordered, and Annual Conference recognition materials finalized



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