

CASA Announces Top Honors

2006 Achievement Award Winners Named at Annual Conference

The California Association of Sanitation Agencies announced its 2006 achievement award recipients at the Annual Conference in Monterey on August 11th. The awards recognize the achievements of publicly owned wastewater treatment agencies throughout California.

This year's award program offered three categories of recognition for member agencies. Each category is awarded to one large and one small agency. The categories were the Technological Achievement Award, the Public Outreach/Education Award and the Organizational Innovation Award.

Technological Achievement Award honors extremely innovative technologies which have broad application in the wastewater industry. Winners were:

Central Contra Costa Sanitary District
"Sewer TV Inspection Project"

Sanitations Districts of Los Angeles County
"Odor Control Facilities at Joint Water Pollution Control Plant"

Public Outreach/Education Award recognizes an agency's efforts for development and implementations of programs intended to impact or educate a segment of the local community on issues important to the agency. Winners were:

Victor Valley Wastewater Reclamation Authority and
TRG & Associates
"Subregional Wastewater Reclamation Facilities – School
Education Outreach"

Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District and
MWH, Inc. and MMC
"Lower Northwest Interceptor Public Outreach Program"

Organizational Innovation Award recognizes efforts by an agency for achievements in managing an agency division, unit or process. Winners were:

Truckee Sanitary District
"TSD Regional Safety/Training Facility"

East Bay Municipal Utility District
"Innovative Developmental Academies – Strategic Workforce
Planning"

The California Association of Sanitation Agencies was formed in 1955 to provide proactive leadership, innovative solutions, and timely education and information to CASA members, legislators, and the public, and to promote partnerships on wastewater issues with other organizations, so that sound public health and environmental goals may be achieved. Any local public agency or public organization authorized by law to engage in the collection, treatment, or disposal of wastewater or the reclamation of water is eligible for membership. Currently, CASA's membership represents 90% of the sewered population in the state.