



# CalDesal's DESAL Award of the Year

## **Award Description**

The DESAL Award of the Year is given to recognize a desalination community leader for being an outstanding desalination advocate and for making material contributions to advancing desalination development, legislation, policy, or regulation in California.

**D**esalination  
**E**xcellent  
**S**ervice &  
**A**dvocacy  
**L**eadership

The DESAL Award of the Year Committee (Award Committee) will review nominations received for the award based upon the following criteria:

- A significant contribution to CalDesal's advocacy agenda.
- Advancement of CalDesal's [mission](#) of integrating the use of desalination to ensure a sustainable water future for communities throughout California.
- Exceptional effort and/or effectiveness toward CalDesal's mission.

## **Award Committee**

The Award Committee will be comprised of 3-5 members approved by CalDesal's Executive Committee. Efforts should be made to include members from brackish groundwater and seawater desalination, and salinity management sectors, to fully represent CalDesal's membership. The Award Committee will annually solicit and review nominations and will recommend the Award recipient(s) to CalDesal's Board of Directors. If the Award Committee finds that none of the nominees for any single year are sufficiently qualified, they may recommend that no award be given for that year.

### **Award Budget**

The Award Committee will have an annual budget of \$1,000 to be spent as follows:

- Award Plaque/Trophy and Certificate: \$150
- CalDesal Conference Registration for Recipient: \$400
- **TOTAL: \$550\***

\*CalDesal Conference travel reimbursement can be considered on a case-by-case basis.

### **Nomination Process**

Nominations may be submitted by individuals with an active CalDesal membership at the time of the nomination. Each nomination must include a nomination form and maximum 500-word statement that describes the contribution deemed worthy of recognition. If no nominations are received, the Award Committee may nominate a CalDesal member and policy leader who satisfy the criteria.

The deadline for nominations is October 31<sup>st</sup> of each year.

### **Award Presentation**

The Award will be presented annually at the CalDesal Conference that takes place in February. The Awardee(s) receive a plaque/trophy, a framed certificate, and a complimentary one-day registration to attend the CalDesal Conference. CalDesal will also issue a press release to appropriate trade media and include Awardee(s) information in CalDesal's newsletter, social media, and website.

# CalDesal's DESAL Award of the Year Nomination Form

## Nominee Information:

Name:

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Title:

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Affiliation/Organization:

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Street Address:

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City, State, Zip:

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Phone:

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Email:

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## Supporting Documents:

For each nomination, please include this form and a letter of nomination that describes -- in 500 words or less -- the contribution(s) deemed worthy of recognition, including specific examples of the following:

- Significant contribution(s) to CalDesal's advocacy agenda. The Award is given in accordance with CalDesal's [mission](#) of integrating the use of desalination to ensure a sustainable water future for communities throughout California. The Award will reflect this by honoring the achievement(s) of a desalination community leader who has been an especially effective advocate of this mission.
- The extent to which the advocacy advances CalDesal's mission and policies.

**Nomination Submitted by:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation/Organization:

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Street Address:

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City, State, Zip:

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Phone:

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Please email

all documents to CalDesal Executive Director Glenn Farrel at: [glennf@caldesal.org](mailto:glennf@caldesal.org)