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Western Australian Landcare Awards

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Additional state categories

In association with the 10 National Landcare Awards categories, Western Australia is also calling for nominations in three State-specific categories:

◆ River Rats Living Streams Award

◆ WA Tree Farmer of The Year Award

◆ WA Landcare Professional Award

While the successful Award recipients will not proceed to the National Landcare Award in 2010, they will be recognised and awarded a plaque at the 2009 WA Landcare Dinner and Awards Ceremony and receive \$1000 in prize money. In addition, see special note regarding 2010 National Tree Farmer of the Year Award below.

Department of Water

River Rats Living Streams Awards



Government of Western Australia
Department of Water

This award recognises the commitment of individuals, groups and communities to work together to protect, rehabilitate and manage drains and waterways (including creeks, rivers and estuaries).

Judging criteria

Judges will be looking for projects that:

1. have clear objectives that demonstrate an understanding of the diversity of values of a living stream and take into account relevant ownership and environmental issues
2. have resulted in, or have the potential to result in, significant protection, rehabilitation and management of the drain or waterway
3. have included a monitoring component and evaluated the success of the project
4. have encouraged community involvement in living streams projects (where relevant to the project).

A prize of \$1000 will be awarded to the winner of this category to help with protection, rehabilitation and management of drains and creeks, and river and estuary foreshores.

Australian Forest Growers

WA Tree Farmer of The Year Award



The AFG WA Tree Farmer of the Year Award honours and acknowledges landowners or private forest managers who, by their personal efforts, demonstrate effective tree growing, silvicultural management of tree crop areas, or other forestry practices on their property, to achieve one or more of the following aims:

1. production of timber or other commercial products
2. protection of agricultural assets, production systems, water
3. biodiversity conservation and enhancement of natural bushland.

A prize of \$1000 will be awarded to the winner of this category to be used for professional development. The winner of the WA Tree Farmer of the Year Award will be entered into and judged for the biennial national Tree Farmer Award at the 2010 Australian Forest Growers Conference.

For more information, explanation of criteria, conditions of entry, and more about the Australian Forest Growers Tree Farmer of the Year Award please contact Monica Durcan – phone (08) 9291 8249 or email mdurcan@iinet.net.au.



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Landcare Professional Award



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This award aims to recognise the outstanding efforts of an individual employed in landcare. It will be made to a person whose efforts in their paid position to develop, carry out and promote landcare within the community have made an outstanding contribution to sustainable land management.

This category is open to all individuals whose primary occupation is the professional support of landcare, including both community and government employees.

Judging criteria

In judging this award, the judges will consider the extent to which the entrant has:

1. Portrayed an integrated approach to landcare, including the involvement of various sectors of the community in which they work
2. through professional excellence influenced both peers and clients and encouraged innovation
3. motivated others and contributed to the promotion of the landcare ethic both within their own field and beyond to the wider community, and
4. exhibited leadership in their area of expertise.

A prize of \$1000 will be awarded to the winner of this category to be used for professional development and the extension of knowledge gained.

For more information about the 2009/10 WA Landcare Awards, please contact:

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or

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www.nrm.wa.gov.au

Entries should be in electronic format and either sent via email or posted in CD format.

If you need to provide hard copies of larger documentation such as plans, maps or books, please ensure they are clearly labelled with your contact details and nomination information.



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Conditions of entry and contact information

Your entry is important!

To win an award, it's not just your project that has to be great, it's your entry too. In many cases, the judges will be making their decision based only on what you've written and supplied as support material.

As well as filling out the entry form, it's vital that you can tell us clearly and simply why you think your entry should be considered.

Conditions of entry

All entries must be submitted to the Landcare Awards Coordinator by c.o.b. 7 August 2009. All entries must be accompanied by a completed entry form as well as include all information as to how your entry meets all necessary criteria.

Note: Previous Landcare Award winners may not enter the same project for the 2009/10 Awards.

Closing date for entries

The closing date for WA Landcare Award entries is **7 August 2009**, with the awards dinner being held on 29 October 2009.

How to prepare your entry

Your entry should be thorough and adhere to the Award criteria. You should provide enough information to allow the judges a comprehensive overview of your activities and achievements.

You need to supply in hard copy format

1. **The completed entry form** (available with this brochure and via www.nrm.wa.gov.au). Please note, while you can enter for more than one category, a **separate entry form** must be submitted for each category.
2. **A 250 word summary of your application** – showcasing the success of the entry against the key criteria for the category. This summary will need to be in sufficient detail to allow the judges to understand what was intended.
3. **Your actual application** (no more than 1500 words) should address the key criteria for your category. If relevant to your category, you could also include information on the background of your project, how it was implemented, how you tackled challenges and what you achieved.
4. **Supporting documentation** – this could include plans, maps, photos, media coverage, references and letters of endorsement. If you wish to include hard copies of some of the larger supporting documentation along with your electronic submission (on CD or via email) please ensure it is clearly labelled.
5. **Photographs** – please include two high-quality colour photographs featuring yourself or your group and nominated project activities in the most interesting manner. These must be labelled. Digital images are to be a minimum of 13 x 18 cm (100%) at a resolution of 300dpi. Image formats in either RGB or CMYK in 'TIF', 'EPS' or 'JPG' format.
6. **Clearly presented material** – all of your written material should be neatly presented.

Please ensure that you keep a copy of your submission including the entry form for your records.

**Best wishes and thank you for entering
the 2009/10 Landcare Awards,**

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entry form 2009/10

Please submit a separate entry (including entry form) for each category entered.

Name: _____

Group or Organisation: _____

Please tick the box for the Award category you are nominating in (choose one per entry):

- River Rats Living Streams Award
- WA Tree Farmer of The Year Award
- WA Landcare Professional Award

Postal address: _____

Work phone number: _____

Fax number: _____

Home phone number: _____

Email address: _____

Nominated by (if different from above).

Name: _____

Postal address: _____

Work phone number: _____

Fax number: _____

Home phone number: _____

Email address: _____

Entries close c.o.b. Friday, 7 August 2009

Please ensure that you have met all the conditions of entry before sending your

- ◆ completed entry form
- ◆ 250 word summary
- ◆ detailed (<1500 words) application and
- ◆ any other relevant material (including two photos).

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