



## NSW Weed Industry Award

*"For outstanding contribution to weed management within NSW"*

### 2021 AWARD GUIDELINES

The Award acknowledges the work of Weed Professionals who are not in Local Government for their outstanding contribution towards protecting NSW from the impacts of weeds.

#### Award Category

The **NSW Weed Industry Award** is for outstanding contributions from a weed professional involved in on-ground control, planning and coordinating weed management within NSW.

#### Who is eligible?

Any weed professional working in weed management in NSW (e.g. State Government, Local Land Services, National Parks & Wildlife Service, Landcare, private enterprise, etc) is eligible to apply.

Nominees should be employed in a professional role that is involved with the management of weeds within NSW at a local, regional or state level. Nominees will have made a significant contribution in managing weeds in their area through planning, coordination, weed control or community education between 2019 – 21. The judges will be looking for evidence of the nominee's achievements, integrated approach to weed management, strategic planning, and engagement of project partners, technical expertise and professional development.

#### How to enter

1. Read the eligibility criteria for the Award to ensure your nomination meets the criteria.
2. Complete the appropriate Nomination Form. All sections of the Nomination Form must be completed and contact details for the nominee and the person nominating included in the application. Please note that the person nominating may be contacted during the judging process.
3. Answers must be written within the space supplied. Electronic or hard copies will be accepted.
4. Send completed nominations to:

**Weed Awards**

**Weed Society of New South Wales**

**PO Box 6**

**Muswellbrook NSW 2333 or**

**Email: [secretary@nswweedsoc.org.au](mailto:secretary@nswweedsoc.org.au)**

5. A confirmation letter or email will be sent to the nominator within 2 weeks of receiving nomination.

## **Judging criteria and process**

All nominations are to be submitted by the closing date on **30 June 2021**. Nominees will be notified by mail of their nomination for the Award and presented with a Certificate of Acknowledgement. A panel of judges will meet to review the nominations and may request more information or documents to support the application. Finalists and the winner of the Award will be announced and presented at the 21<sup>st</sup> NSW Biennial Weeds Conference in Albury from 23 - 26 August 2021.

## **Prize**

The winner of the Award will be presented with a medal and enjoy a perpetual trophy for the next two years. The Weed Society of New South Wales Inc. has generously donated \$500\* to the winner of the NSW Weed Industry Award to assist with travel costs to attend a Weeds Conference of their choice.

**Note:** All moneys must be spent within the two years period of winning the award or it must be returned in full to the Weed Society of NSW.

### ***\* To be eligible to claim the \$500 prize from the Society, the winner -***

- Must be a current financial member of the Society, and continuously been a financial member for more than one year.*
- Must supply a brief report (including photos) about attending conference to be included in the Weed Society's newsletter.*

*The winner must gain their employer's approval to attend the conference. If the employer does not grant approval the money may be used to assist with relevant training costs.*

*To apply for membership to The Weed Society of New South Wales Inc. visit <http://nswweedsoc.org.au> or contact the Secretary by emailing to – [secretary@nswweedsoc.org.au](mailto:secretary@nswweedsoc.org.au)*

## **For more information**

If you need any help with your nomination please email [wendy.gibney@dpi.nsw.gov.au](mailto:wendy.gibney@dpi.nsw.gov.au)

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