



2009 RIVER STEWARDSHIP AWARD NOMINATION APPLICATION

Honor outstanding advocates for the Assabet, Sudbury and Concord Rivers

Nominate yourself, your organization, or a colleague. Send the application and accompanying materials by March 31, 2009 to Betsy Sluder, 63 Coppermine Road, Concord, MA 01742.

NOMINEE (ORGANIZATION OR INDIVIDUAL)

Name(s): _____

Project Title: _____ Dates of operation: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Work Phone: _____ Home/Cell Phone: _____

WHO SUBMITTED THIS NOMINATION? (IF OTHER THAN NOMINEE)

Name: _____ Email: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Has the nominee been notified of the award nomination? ___ YES ___ NO

WHICH 'WILD AND SCENIC' RESOURCE VALUES DOES THIS PROJECT SERVE?

(Check all that apply)

- Historic resources
- Literary resources
- Recreational resources
- Scenic resources, including open space protection
- Ecological resource

PLEASE CHECK THE APPROPRIATE CATEGORIES:

- Individual
- Youth
- Group/Community-based program
- Non-profit organization
- Business
- Government leadership
- Other: _____

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Please address the following questions in two pages or less.

Answers should be brief, but with enough details to fully describe the project and its impact. The more concrete you can be, the stronger the nomination. Materials such as flyers, handouts, news clippings and photos help convey the impact and benefits of the nominee's efforts.

1. WHY SHOULD THE NOMINEE RECEIVE A STEWARDSHIP AWARD?

- What historic, literary, scenic, recreational or ecological benefits resulted?
- How is this commitment to the environment above and beyond the ordinary?

2. WHAT ARE SOME TANGIBLE RESULTS OF THE NOMINEE'S EFFORTS?

- What did the nominee do? How was it financed?
- When or for how long has the nominee been active?
- What evidence demonstrates the impact of this effort?

3. HOW HAS THE NOMINEE INFLUENCED OTHERS?

- Did the nominee improve community awareness, environmental quality, public policy, technical contributions etc. and collaborative partnerships?
- How do the nominee's efforts influence the actions and habits of others in the community or general public? (For example: via public access and recreational needs?)

4. HOW SUSTAINABLE OR ADAPTATABLE IS THE PROJECT?

- List or describe ways the nominee's actions have been adopted by others.
- How can the environmental, social and/or financial benefits be sustained over time?

5. IN WHAT WAYS HAS THE NOMINEE DEMONSTRATED INNOVATION AND CREATIVITY?

- What made this an original or pioneering effort – i.e. in the application of existing resources, new partnerships, or developing new tools/technologies/strategies to address the problem?
- What special challenges were overcome?
- Was outstanding creativity involved?

Do you want application materials returned to you? Yes No

RESPONSIBILITIES OF NOMINEES

- Attend the Awards Ceremony and accept the award in person.
- Provide information about this project for the ceremony and news media.
- Permit use of photographs taken at the ceremony for publicity.

THANK YOU FOR TAKING TIME TO NOMINATE SOMEONE WHO INSPIRES YOU!

All nominees will receive a letter thanking them for their efforts for the rivers, and letting them know their good works have been recognized by a friend, co-worker, relative or neighbor.

Finalists will be selected by mid-May. You and your nominee will be invited to the VIP reception and awards ceremony held on Friday, June 12 at 6 pm as part of the 2009 Riverfest Celebration.

Questions? Call Betsy Sluder 978-369-1851