

EMERGING ENVIRONMENTAL PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD - 2026

The Academy of Board Certified Environmental Professionals (ABCEP) Emerging Environmental Professional Achievement Award recognizes environmental professionals for their leadership, professional involvement, commitment to foster environmental improvement, and actions to help make the world a better place for future generations. We are requesting nominations from you, your company, or agency describing outstanding environmental contributions from young professionals. Self-nominations are allowed. ABCEP membership is not required for the nominee or nominator. View past EEP Award recipients at <https://www.abcep.org/awards.php>.

NOMINATING INFORMATION

Eligibility: Environmental professionals who:

- Are 35 years old or younger;
- Possess a bachelor's degree from an accredited university in an applicable field;
- Employed full-time as an environmental professional;
- Have a minimum of 5-years professional experience in a position of responsible charge;
- Have demonstrated technical competence and achievements in their selected area of expertise; and
- Have made a valuable contribution to the profession by serving in a leadership position, as a role model, achieved innovations, and mentors or supports other professionals in work and/or community.

Submittal:

- Brief biography and resume or curriculum vitae, with complete contact information (name, mailing address, email, and phone).
- The narrative should illustrate the candidate's professionalism, leadership, commitment to collaboration, description of significant accomplishments, and significant environmental benefits of the candidate's work.
- Supporting information may be provided in the form of references containing personal testimonies or corroboration of professional experiences; or achievements, commendations from employers, other professional associations or societies; governmental and/or private sector groups.
- Letters of support that provide content pertaining to the candidate's achievements, contributions, and/or technical excellence.
- Documents or exhibits that the candidate chooses to illustrate support for his/her nomination.
- Send the nominations in a .PDF format to Office@ABCEP.org.

Review:

- The ABCEP Board of Trustees Awards Task Force reviews and evaluates the nominations using a weighted scoring matrix.
- More than one award may be given each year.
- Phone interviews may be scheduled.

Schedule:

- Nomination period for the 2026 Emerging Environmental Professional Achievement Award opens March 2, 2026. Nomination period closes April 5, 2026.
- Candidate selected by the ABCEP Board of Trustees Awards Task Force on or about April 24, 2026.
- The award will be announced and presented to the recipient at the [2026 NAEP Annual Conference May 11-14](#).
- Recipients will be eligible to apply for certification as either a CEP-IT or CEP.
- Application fees to join ABCEP will be waived for the first year.
- A full-length feature of the award recipient will be circulated via email to the ABCEP distribution list.
- The recipient will also be honored on the ABCEP website.

Nomination Contact Information:

Candidate Name: Email address: Contact phone number: Mailing address:	
Date of Nomination:	
Name of Nominator: Email address: Contact phone number: Mailing address:	