

## 2026 ASDSO Awards Program

# NATIONAL DAM REHABILITATION PROJECT OF THE YEAR

### OVERVIEW

This award recognizes a unique remedial design for a project of any size that advances the state-of-the-art in the field of dam safety and exemplifies the professional engineering and construction standards that dam safety requires. The award is presented to the individual, company, agency, or organization whose project is judged to best represent those qualities from among this year's group of qualified nominees. Recognition is given to the dam owner and designer. Nominators may also choose to recognize contractors. All project construction must be completed and the project in full operation by April 30, 2026. Only finished projects will be considered for this year's award.

### AWARD CRITERIA

Projects will be judged using the following general criteria:

- Resourcefulness in planning and permitting.
- Achieving a successful resolution to the problem(s) or deficiencies encountered.
- Pioneering efforts in the use of construction procedures or materials.
- Innovations in design methods or project operations.
- Conservative and reliable design that is consistent with accepted engineering practices and standards of care in the field of dam safety.

### SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

**Nominators may choose to either complete the attached PDF form or create their own submission packet.** If you choose not to use the PDF form, submissions must under 30 pages and include the following:

- One-page abstract that includes: 1) Owner; 2) Location; 3) Date of Completion; 4) Overview of the Dam; 5) Summary of Deficiencies; 6) Summary of Dam Rehabilitation; and 7) Statement of why the Project should be selected for the award.
- Project history that identifies the deficiency, design approach, design confirmation and acceptance, and construction procedures.
- Description of future benefits to the greater community including reduction of risk, environmental and aesthetic improvements, social impacts, and economic contributions.
- Up to 10 high-quality photos.

### PROCEDURES

- Nominations may be sent to [Awards@Damsafety.org](mailto:Awards@Damsafety.org).
- The deadline for nomination is May 1, 2026.
- The Awards Committee and the ASDSO Board of Directors will consider nominees. The Board of Directors will make the final selection.
- Award recipients will be notified in July 2026. Award recipients will be recognized at an awards luncheon on August 31, 2026, held in conjunction with the Dam Safety 2026 national conference Raleigh, North Carolina.
- Award recipients will be recognized in select Dam Safety 2026 materials, on the ASDSO website, in *The Journal of Dam Safety*, and ASDSO's Fiscal Year 2027 Annual Report.

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### NOMINATOR INFORMATION

*\*This is the person who will receive information related to the nomination. Other parties will not be contacted unless award is selected.*

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

**Organization:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

### PROJECT INFORMATION

**Project Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Location:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Owners:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Designers:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Contractor:** \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Optional – If contractor name is not included with submission, they will not be listed as an award recipient*

**Completion Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

### PRIMARY CONTACT

*\*If the project is selected, this person will be the primary contact for award announcements and coordination for the in-person luncheon.*

**Nominee Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Organization:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

### PHOTOS

**Attach up to 10 High-Quality Photos to Submission Email**

## **SUMMARY**

**Should Include 1) Owner; 2) Location; 3) Date of Completion; 4) Overview of the Dam; 5) Summary of Deficiencies; 6) Summary of Dam Rehabilitation; and 7) Statement of Why the Project Should be Selected for the Award**

*Paragraph form should be used. Descriptions should be between 300 and 750 words. If more space is needed, please include additional copies of this page or submit the text in a Word document.*

## **OVERVIEW OF PROJECT HISTORY**

### **Project History That Identifies the Deficiency, Design Approach, Design Confirmation and Acceptance, and Construction Procedures**

*Paragraph form should be used. Descriptions can be up to 1500 words. If more space is needed, please include additional copies of this page or submit the text in a Word document.*

## **OVERVIEW OF BENEFITS**

**Description of Future Benefits to the Greater Community Including Reduction of Risk, Environmental and Aesthetics Improvements, Social Impacts, and Economic Contributions.**

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