

2026 ASDSO Awards Program

YOUNG PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR

OVERVIEW

The Association of State Dam Safety Officials (ASDSO) Young Professional Award recognizes members under 35 years of age working in the dam safety field that have made outstanding contributions to the association, their respective organization, or the dam safety industry in general.

AWARD CRITERIA

This award is intended to recognize the overall contributions of an individual. Suggested criteria for this award include:

- Recent noteworthy efforts and accomplishments in the field of dam safety.
- Service to the advancement of the profession.
- Evidence of technical competence, high character, and integrity.
- Exemplary contributions to dam safety in their communities or organizations.
- Leadership in the development of younger member attitudes towards the profession and the association.
- Other evidence of merit, which in the committee's judgment, advanced the association's objectives.

PROCEDURES

- All nominations must use the attached PDF form. Nominations may be sent to Awards@Damsafety.org.
- The deadline for nomination and submittal of documents is May 1, 2026.
- Representatives of the ASDSO Young Professional Interest Group will review the nominations. The ASDSO Board of Directors will confirm any recipients. The award may be awarded every year at the discretion of the Board of Directors.
- 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 in ASDSO's Fiscal Year 2027 Annual Report.

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NOMINATOR INFORMATION

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

NOMINEE INFORMATION

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Date of Birth:

PREVIOUS AWARDS - Optional

Provide Name and Year of Other Industry Awards and Honor's Received

PHOTOS - Optional

Attach up to Five High-Quality Photos to Submission Email

CONTRIBUTIONS

Provide a Description of Nominee's Contributions to Dam Safety

Paragraph form should be used. Descriptions should be between 300 and 750 words.

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