

GOVERNOR'S AWARDS HONOR IOWA ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERS

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DES MOINES — Twenty Iowa organizations and businesses will receive Environmental Excellence awards from Gov. Terry E. Branstad Aug. 1 at the Wallace State Office Building. The awards are the premier environmental honors in Iowa.

“On behalf of all Iowans, I would like to congratulate these organizations for their leadership and innovation in protecting Iowa’s natural resources,” said Gov. Branstad. “These awards serve as a small token of appreciation for their commitment to preserve Iowa’s precious natural resources for future generations of Iowans to enjoy.”

The awards program recognizes comprehensive environmental programs by organizations and businesses, along with special project awards in water quality, air quality, waste management, habitat restoration and development, energy efficiency and renewable energy, and environmental education.

The recognition ceremony will take place at 3 p.m. in the Wallace Building auditorium located at 502 E. Ninth St. in Des Moines. Media are invited to attend the event.

The winners include:

Environmental Excellence Award:

Iowa Soybean Association Environmental Programs and Services, Ankeny
City of Dubuque
Board of Regents, State of Iowa
Meredith Corporation, Des Moines
East Central Intergovernmental Association – Petal Project, Dubuque
American Packaging Corporation, Story City

Special Recognition in Water Quality:

City of Charles City
University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls
Burke Corporation, Nevada

Special Recognition in Air Quality:

Bi-State Regional Commission, Rock Island, IL
Juergens Environmental Control, Carroll

Special Recognition in Waste Management:

City of Pella
American Ordnance LLC, Middletown
Cox Sanitation and Recycling, Inc., North English

Special Recognition in Habitat Restoration/Development:

City of Waverly
Eaton Corporation - Shenandoah Plant

Special Recognition in Energy Efficiency/Renewable Energy:
Metropolitan Des Moines Wastewater Reclamation Association
TEAM- West Branch High School, West Branch
Waste Management of Iowa, Des Moines

Special Recognition in Environmental Education:
Dowling Catholic Entrepreneurial Studies Program, West Des Moines

For more information about the Governor's Iowa Environmental Excellence Awards, go to
www.iowadnr.gov/Environment/IowaEnvironmentalAwards.aspx.

The awards are sponsored by the Governor's Office, the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship, the Iowa Department of Economic Development, the Iowa Department of Education, the Iowa Department of Public Health and the Iowa Waste Reduction Center.

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