

ACI-NA Environmental Affairs Committee

Peer Recognition for Outstanding Individual Contribution & Leadership Award

Scope for Award

This award recognizes an individual ACI-NA Environmental Committee member, either an airport or consultant to receive special acknowledgement for making extraordinary contributions to the ACI-NA Environmental Committee, aid in reaching ACI-NA environmental goals, committee objectives, and advancement of environmental performance of the aviation industry. The annual award provides a special member “thank you” and encourage continued contribution to ACI-NA and the aviation industry.

Award Eligibility Criteria

Any ACI-NA member is eligible for nomination *except*:

- *Current* Environmental Affairs Committee Leadership, which includes: Full Committee Chair, US or Canadian Caucus Chair/ Vice Chair, Immediate Past Chair and ACI-NA staff. All other Steering Group members, committee members, and past committee leadership are eligible.

Selection will be based on the following 2 criteria.

1. Contributions

Determination of the award winner(s) will be based on an outstanding or exceptional contribution to the work of the ACI-NA Environmental Affairs Committee and raising the profile of ACI-NA within the industry. This could include leading a particular initiative or spearheading a project, assisting planning a conference or event, development of a product (i.e. guidance document, fact sheet, newsletter, webinar, etc.), contributing to development of ACI-NA policy position (for example, through written comments on federal regulatory actions), collaborating with other stakeholders to advance an ACI-NA or industry objective (for example, creating or leading a task group), mentoring other committee members, etc.

Nominations should concentrate primarily on a committee member’s significant contributions as an individual during the calendar year prior to the nomination. On-going contributions that span several years can also be considered but should be focused through the past year for consideration. Supporting material regarding past & prior years can be taken into account.

2. Impact and Performance

Consideration should be given to each nominee whom has directly contributed towards advancing, meeting or implementing committee priorities, ACI-NA Environmental Goals, policy objectives or working group action items for example. A successful candidate would prove to have worked effectively with other committee members, working groups, other ACI-NA committees, governmental representatives and/ or members of industry in general, etc. and acted as a positive representative for ACI-NA.

Note: Although there is no specific minimum requirement for attendance at, or participation in committee meetings/events, nominations may include the following information for additional consideration:

- Meeting attendance over the past year(s)

- Participation in conferences (speakers, moderators, session organizers)
- Participation in monthly Steering Group calls
- Participation in issue-specific committee calls or webinars

Nominations:

There is a separate nomination form for this award that includes fields for description of the nominee's contribution and any supporting information, as well as submission information and deadlines.

Any committee member may nominate another committee member. *Self-nominations are not accepted for this award* (unlike for the other Environmental Achievement Awards, where airports nominate their own projects for consideration). Information on this award category and the nomination form will be made available to all committee members via the committee website and included in all correspondence regarding the annual Environmental Achievement Awards.

Nomination Deadline: All nomination forms and any supporting documentation must be received by **5 PM ET on Friday, July 26, 2024**. Send any questions to Melinda Pagliarello at mpagliarello@airportscouncil.org.

Selection Committee:

Selection of the winner will take place by current Committee Leadership (Full Committee Chair, Caucus Chairs and Vice Chairs and Immediate Past Chair) and approved by the ACI-NA President and CEO, Kevin Burke. This is a departure from the judging process for the other Environmental Achievement Awards, which is done by a four-judge panel made up of non-ACI-NA members (FAA, Transport Canada, media and industry representatives). Because Committee leadership is not eligible for this award and will be very familiar with the contributions of all the nominees as well as Committee goals/objectives/priorities, they will be able to make an informed and objective decision about the impact the nominees' contributions have had on the Committee. This also ensures true peer recognition from inside the committee rather than an outside panel.

Award presentation:

This award will be presented at ACI-NA's Annual Conference, September 7 – 10, 2024 in Grand Rapids, MI along with the other Environmental Achievement Awards.