

Dave Neiman Source Water Protection Awards

NOMINATION FORM

Every year the Minnesota Department of Health and Minnesota Rural Water Association jointly recognize individuals, public water systems, or organizations that have made a significant difference or contribution in the field of Source Water Protection. The winner and finalists are recognized each year at the Minnesota Rural Water Association Conference in March and are presented a Governor-signed certificate in their hometowns.

Instructions

Complete this two-page form to nominate an individual, public water supply system, or organization for excellence in protecting their source of drinking water. Nominees must have an approved source water protection plan, or be working cooperatively with those who have an approved source water protection plan to be eligible for an award.

Email completed forms to health.drinkingwater@state.mn.us or mail to P.O. Box 64975 St. Paul, MN 55164-0975. Attention: Source Water Protection Unit. The deadline is Jan. 19, 2024.

Contact Information

Individual filling out the form (Nominator)

Nominator first and last name _____

Nominator phone number _____ Nominator email _____

Public water supplier, individual, or organization being nominated (Nominee)

Nominee name _____

Nominee contact first and last name _____

Nominee contact phone number _____

Nominee contact email _____

The individual contact for the nominee should be someone who has helped lead or organize the notable source water protection efforts.

Activities

Identify the three top source water protection activities that the nominee should be recognized for. Each activity is scored and contributes to the nominee's total score, so be sure to fill in all three activities. Provide information about the impact, initiative, and partnerships demonstrated by each activity. The activities should have occurred sometime during a plan's lifetime.

Identifier	Description	Impact <i>What results were accomplished related to drinking water protection?</i>	Initiative <i>What extra effort was undertaken to achieve drinking water protection?</i>	Partnerships <i>What cooperative efforts with others were formed to achieve drinking water protection?</i>
Example	An annual turf management training for residents	The turf management training draws about 20 residents each year. Attendees sign a pledge to follow guidelines offered in the training. The interest generated led the public golf course to ask UMN Extension for assistance implementing best practices.	The city goes above and beyond to grill out and provide food for attendees at the workshops. The city dedicated land as a demonstration plot to show how best management practices work from year to year.	The city worked with UMN Extension to cohost the training. They also worked with the neighborhood association to advertise the event. They told the county Soil Water and Conservation District about the training and shared the materials in case anyone else in the county wanted to use them.
Activity 1				
Activity 2				
Activity 3				