

The Saskatchewan Heavy Construction (SHCA) award program is designed to recognize innovative road projects and exemplary people that place the road industry at the forefront of Saskatchewan's social and economic development.

The Awards are recognized as a prestigious industry accolade in their own right, but they also serve to remind a much wider audience that the mobility everyone takes for granted would not be possible without the talent and commitment of our industry. By showcasing new technologies and creative solutions, they also serve as an accelerator of progress and new ideas.

All applicants must be members in good standing of the Saskatchewan Heavy Construction Association. Companies may self-nominate and may be nominated in more than one category.

Immediately following the nomination deadline, the forms will be reviewed by an ad hoc panel that typically includes the SHCA President, some or all the SHCA Executive Committee, former directors, or other industry experts. Based on the information provided the panel will determine which nominee provided the most outstanding leadership in any/each of the categories listed below.

If, in the opinion of the Awards committee, no suitable candidate or project has been nominated, the award shall not be presented. All awards will be presented at the SHCA Annual Conference, November 22, 2019 in Regina.

Award Categories:

Asset Preservation & Maintenance Management

Construction Methodology

Design

Environmental Mitigation

Project Finance & Economics

Innovation/Technology

Safety

Technology, Equipment & Manufacturing

Community Relations Award

Ministry of Highways – Contractor of the Year Award of Excellence

Submission Package Requirement:

Completed Nomination letter

Nomination letter must clearly identify the company name, project, and award category the SHCA member is being nominated in (members may be nominated in more than one category).

Project Summary (<600 words)

The project summary shall outline the nominated project and provide a clear explanation of how the project meets the criteria of the category (approx. 100 words) in which it has been submitted. All submissions must be forwarded in MS Word or pdf format.

In addition to the nominated category all submissions may be judged on some or all the following requirements:

Complexity, Technical value to road development, cost and efficiency considerations, original or innovative use of new or existing technologies, surpassing of minimum regulatory or industry standards and specifications, degree to which the project meets the needs of the public, industry, owner or client.

Please explain how the nominee exemplifies the above requirements.

Support of Association Activities

Please explain how the nominee contributes in a significant way to support the association.

Please email completed nomination forms to slipp@saskheavy.ca, fax to (306) 585-3750, or mail to:

**SHCA – Award Nomination
1939 Elphinstone Street
Regina, SK S4N 3T3**

Deadline for submissions is: Tuesday, November 12, 2019

AWARD CATEGORIES:

Asset Preservation & Maintenance Management

Innovative asset preservation solutions combined with effective maintenance management programs are essential pillars of economic, fiduciary and environmental stewardship in the road sector. Nominees providing these services to the general public are encouraged to compete in this category which is designed to recognize innovation in the planning and delivery of durable pavements, maintenance functions and advances in safety, energy efficiency, and materials recycling.

Construction Methodology

Competitive entries in this category will demonstrate significant achievements in construction that enhance the quality, timeliness, cost effectiveness, safety, and/or efficiency in the construction means, methods and delivery on road development projects. This award will seek to recognize those entrants who demonstrate effective construction strategies that can be replicated or serve as examples to advance the process of road construction generically. Entrants will base their applications on the success of a concept as demonstrated on a specific project.

Design

This category recognizes organizations that demonstrate outstanding achievements in the broad design arena, including aesthetics, applications in challenging environments, cost efficiency and originality. Qualification for the award will be determined upon the organization's application of a design (or designs) on a specified project.

Environmental Mitigation

This category recognizes members that show outstanding progress in protecting and/or enhancing the natural environment in the planning, design and/or construction of road development projects. Entries in this category will be evaluated on successful efforts to incorporate environmental mitigation on a specific project.

Project Finance & Economics

This award is open to organizations and/or projects that enable road development to take place from funding sources that are different from traditional government or institutional procurement. Although traditional forms of funding can be part of the mix for entries in this category, priority is given to submissions that demonstrate innovative approaches in this field. An award will be evaluated on demonstrated success in planning, constructing, and/or operating a project or program in a cost effective / profitable manner.

Innovation/Technology

This category will recognize specific research initiatives that significantly advance the road development industry. Possible topics include improved materials, innovative use of existing materials and products, advances in technology or new applications for existing technology, and groundbreaking theories in design, construction, or O&M processes. This award is targeted at companies, owners and/or educational institutions for their achievements in developing a specific product, system, measure, etc. that advances roadway and or transportation development.

Safety

Entries in this category should demonstrate significant contributions to improving road safety by devising concepts, products, processes and/or systems in relation to road infrastructure, road/vehicle interaction or driver behavior. Entries will be evaluated on successful efforts to reduce work-zone casualty numbers and/or seriousness.

Technology, Equipment & Manufacturing

This category, which recognizes inventors and manufacturers that integrate, develop and market new products and/or equipment that advance the road construction industry, is open to manufacturers of all types of equipment and products. This category seeks products and equipment that enhance quality, improve efficiency and environmental compliance, increase safety, enable new design and construction techniques, etc. An acceptable entry will include a specific product or products that demonstrate innovation in at least one of the aforementioned areas.

Community Relations Award

The Community Relations award, recognizes contractors or suppliers who actively engage their communities through a variety of platforms. Examples may include: participating or funding in local community events, sports teams, charities, or through interaction with local citizens, and/or businesses. The efforts recognized by this award demonstrate that our operations are integral to the economic health and well-being of our cities, province and nation. This award promotes the work our members do and recognizes members that invest time and resources into addressing shared interests and needs of local communities across the province.

Ministry of Highways – Contractor of the Year Award of Excellence

This award will be presented by the Ministry of Highways to the contractor with the highest performance and safety evaluation score.