

2025 National Wild & Scenic Rivers Award Nomination Form

Jackie Diedrich Wild and Scenic Rivers Leadership Award¹

Eligibility: Open to Wild and Scenic River (WSR) administering agency staff, including state agency staff responsible for managing 2(a)(ii) rivers.

Criteria: The Jackie Diedrich WSR Leadership Award recognizes WSR-administering agency staff who have shown outstanding leadership in going above and beyond their assigned duties to help their agencies protect and manage WSRs, build capacity for WSR stewardship, and/or develop exemplary training programs for WSR professionals.

Recipients have a documented record of leadership and advocacy in one or more of the following areas:

- Building agency WSR stewardship programs.
- Championing WSR program staffing and budget needs through bureau and departmental processes.
- Taking proactive measures to ensure that agency policy is consistent with the WSRA and with other agencies' policies.
- Working with attorneys to avoid and defend lawsuits.
- Working proactively with other agencies (FHWA, FERC, ACOE, DOE, EPA, etc.) to educate staff about the WSRA and to ensure that their guidance about projects and regulatory decisions affecting WSRs are consistent with WSRA requirements.
- Working with agency legislative affairs staff to respond to Congressional inquiries, to prepare agency testimony, and to advocate for river study and designation bills that accurately address agency findings.
- Developing, supporting, and implementing WSR training for agency staff.
- Mentoring early- and mid-career staff to ensure WSR program continuity.
- Providing leadership on the IWSRCC.



¹ This is an annual award of the Interagency Wild and Scenic Rivers Coordinating Council (IWSRCC). Submit your nominations for the 2025 Jackie Diedrich Wild and Scenic Rivers Leadership Award to Jim MacCartney, IWSRCC Awards Subcommittee Chair, at jim_maccartney@nps.gov by April 4, 2025.

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Award Category:	Jackie Diedrich Wild and Scenic Rivers Leadership Award
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Nominee Information:

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Sponsor(s) Information:

Name(s):	
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Signature of Sponsor:	

Nomination Narrative:

Please provide specific examples and summary statements of accomplishments relating to one or more of the award criteria listed above. (500 word maximum).

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