



Department of
Environmental
Conservation



Call for Nominations: Stewardship Appreciation Awards

Adventure NY Award

Minimum Eligibility Requirements:

1. Nominees must be one of the following:
 - a. Not-for-profit organizations;
 - b. Individuals;
 - c. Educational institutions; or
 - d. Municipalities.
2. Nominees must have one of the following formal agreements with DEC:
 - a. An active Volunteer Stewardship Agreement (VSA);
 - b. A current Memorandum of Understanding;
 - c. A current Use and Occupancy Agreement; or
 - d. Proof of organized volunteer activities on State lands.
3. Nominees must currently and for at least the past three years be in good standing with DEC and in full compliance with the Environmental Conservation Law.
4. Nominee was not involved in any litigation against DEC or State of New York within the past seven years.
5. The efforts for which the individual or entity is being nominated must be:
 - a. Located on or in support of DEC lands or conservation easements; and
 - b. Initiated or completed within the past three years.

Note: Please provide one form per nomination.

Nominee's Name: _____

Nominee's Address: _____

City: _____ State: NY Zip: _____

Please provide the contact information of the organization for which the nominee volunteers for (if applicable).

Organization's Name: _____

Organization's Address: _____

City: _____ State: NY Zip: _____

Applicant Type (Please check one):

Not-for-Profit organization Individual Educational institution Municipality

Submission:

Completed nominations must be submitted no later than Thursday April 30, 2020. Only nominations submitted in the required format will be considered. Please submit via email to adventureny@dec.ny.gov.

Please include the following with your nomination in an attachment:

- A copy of the agreement, or a signed letter from a DEC staff-person who can provide confirmation that the agreement is valid.
- Any additional materials that could support the nomination (photos, brochures, website addresses, etc.).

If unable to submit via email, please mail a hard copy, with photos to: Adventure NY, 625 Broadway, 14th Floor, Albany, New York 12233-1010.

4. Describe the project's results and accomplishments, include the following:
 - a. What were the results of the program or project? Provide quantifiable results, if possible.
 - b. How did this project make a significant contribution to improving stewardship, maintenance, restoration and/or preservation of DEC-managed state natural resources or facilities?
 - c. How did the nominee go above and beyond to ensure that the project or program efforts would make a lasting impact, be sustainable into the future, exceed expectations and achieve noteworthy results?

5. Please submit relevant photos and a brief description of each.