

AASHTO Awards Criteria

Alfred E. Johnson Achievement Award

The **Alfred E. Johnson Achievement Award** will be presented during the award luncheon ceremony at the AASHTO Annual Meeting. The stated criterion for the award is as follows:

“To be eligible for the award, the nominee must be an active employee of an AASHTO member department. The recipient must be in middle management, and have made an outstanding contribution to his/her department in engineering or management. No current association officer or member of the Executive Committee may be eligible.”

The award is given annually by AASHTO to the individual selected by the award committee as the person judged as rendering the most outstanding service in the field of engineering or management, which can cover both technical and administrative aspects. Please note that the award criterion does not prohibit your department from submitting a nominee for consideration that was previously submitted.

President’s Transportation Awards

The AASHTO **President’s Transportation Awards** will be presented during the award luncheon ceremony at the AASHTO Annual Meeting. Nominations can be made by the Chief Executive Officers of the member departments or by the Chairpersons of the AASHTO Standing Committees:

“based on the nominee(s) having performed exemplary service during the year furthering the transportation activities of his/her member department or committee which has, or potentially could have, a salutary impact on transportation nationwide or on a regional basis.”

Thomas H. MacDonald Memorial Award

The **Thomas H. MacDonald Memorial Award** will be presented during the award luncheon ceremony at the AASHTO Annual Meeting.

This award was established in 1957 to honor the long-time chief of the Bureau of Public Roads, and is focused on highways. It is considered to be the highest award made by AASHTO, and is given annually by the association. The award is made to persons active or retired who have been employed by one or more AASHTO member departments for a period of at least five years, who have “rendered continuous outstanding service over an extended period of time or have made some exceptional contribution to the art and science of highway engineering.” Please note that the award criterion does not prohibit your department from submitting a nominee for consideration that was previously submitted. Nominations will be accepted only from the Chief Executive Officers of the member departments.

Francis B. Francois Award

The **Francis B. Francois Award** is an annual Award for Innovation, presented to one AASHTO member State, enabling that state to fund a \$10,000 graduate fellowship at a state university of the winner’s choice. Innovation is defined as something worthwhile that establishes, increases, or enhances value to the public.

Any AASHTO member State is eligible to enter the competition for the Award. Each State is limited to only one award application submittal per award cycle. Entries will be judged on the innovation, sharing, approach, implementation of the innovation, and results.

While the Award covers results from August 1, 2016, through July 29, 2017, the innovation impact may be multi-year in implementation. For example, an innovation that was implemented in March 2009 for designing a ditch filtering system may be submitted if there were no results to report until 2011.

Applicants must use the official application form. The results page must contain graphical or data displays only with minimal narrative. Data displays include graphic information (graphs, charts, trend analysis, results oriented data/information, etc.). Data labels and other text in graphical displays are not limited to 12 point font but must be legible.

Applications will be ineligible for consideration if:

- Applicant is not an AASHTO member state
- Application is received after deadline
- The Official Application is not used
- If more than 1 Francois application is received, state will be asked to rescind 1 application
- Results are not included for the current award cycle
- If the innovation was a previous winner of this award
- If the Agency Leader approval line is not completed