



2019 Blue Grama Award Categories

Colorado Open Space Alliance

Outstanding Achievement by an Organization or Individual

This award is given to an individual and/or organization that has made significant contributions to the conservation of Colorado's open spaces, community engagement, and/or conservation policy. The nominee's impact should extend beyond their agency/organization, county, or municipality and should have lasting implications to open space conservation throughout the state. Nominees should show outstanding leadership achievement through acquisition, land management actions, community engagement, public safety, and/or public policy.

Outstanding Achievement in Community Partnership and Collaboration

This award recognizes achievements made in open space conservation, management, or community engagement through partnerships and collaborative efforts. The nominee's work should include at least two or more contributing organizations which demonstrate that through collaboration, they have achieved outstanding accomplishments in open space preservation and conservation. Partnerships may include open space agencies, nonprofit entities, business groups, community organizations, local, state, and/or federal government programs or divisions.

Outstanding Visitor Engagement Program

This award is presented to an open space organization that shows innovation and leadership in volunteer engagement, environmental education, interpretation, and/or diversity and inclusion practices. Nominees must demonstrate that they have engaged in creative and exemplary work that enhances the visitor experience through education programs, volunteer opportunities, interpretive media, and/or other innovative public engagement strategies.

Outstanding Achievement in Ecological Restoration or Recreation Management

This award recognizes projects or programs that have demonstrated exceptional accomplishments in ecological restoration or recreation management resulting in the conservation/protection of natural resources, enhancements in the health of a landscape, and/or the improvement of an open space area to promote safe and sustainable recreational practices. This award may also recognize innovative and successful research and monitoring programs as well as the development of sustainable recreational facilities.