1. Purpose. This Engineering and Construction Bulletin (ECB) provides a listing of the awardees for ALL the 2021 Award Programs sponsored by the Engineering and Construction (E&C) Community of Practice (CoP).

2. Our Awardees are:

a. Elvin R. “Vald” Heiberg III Engineer of the Year Award:

   **Daria Van Liew of the Baltimore District**

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b. Construction:

   (1) Hard Hat of the Year:

   **Rexford Smith of the Nashville District**

   (2) Construction Management Excellence:

   **Ryan Sands of the Fort Worth District**

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c. Cost Engineer of the Year:

   **Jim Vermillion of the Louisville District**

   Website: [https://ceyawards.erdc.dren.mil/](https://ceyawards.erdc.dren.mil/)

   POC: Tracy Leeser – tracy.t.leeser@usace.army.mil

d. Dam Safety:

   (1) Tommy Schmidt Dam Safety Professional of the Year:

   **Edward Stowasser of the Huntington District**
(2) Dam Safety Team Award of Excellence:

**Dam Safety Communication Training Team led by the Levee Safety Center in the Mississippi Valley Division**

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e. Levee Safety:

(1) Levee Safety Professional of the Year:

**Katelyn Noland of the Levee Safety Center**

(2) Levee Safety Team Award of Excellence:

**Walla Walla District Levee Safety Team**

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f. Value Engineering/Value Management

(1) USACE Value Engineering Professional of the Year:

**Autumn Ziegler of the Jacksonville District**

(2) Value Engineering Rising Star Award:

**Patricia Devine of the New England District**

(3) Value Engineering Achievement Awards Special Category:

**Innovative Applications of VE: Dyke Marsh and Steam Sterilization Plant, Baltimore District**

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g. Architect of the Year:

**Douglas Kohns of the Huntsville Center**

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h. Interior Designer of the Year:

Heather Kimbrow of the Fort Worth District
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i. Landscape Architect of the Year:

Gary A. Harden of the Kansas City District
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j. Mechanical Engineer of the Year:

Shawn Crossfield of the Baltimore District
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POC:    Timothy Paulus - Timothy.M.Paulus@usace.army.mil

k. Electrical Engineer of the Year:

Marshall Miles of the Kansas City District
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POC:    Dawn Carney - Dawn.M.Carney@usace.army.mil

l. Fire Protection Engineer of the Year:

Vu Nguyen of the Louisville District
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m. Control System Engineer of the Year:

James Walters III of the Louisville District
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n. Structural Engineer of the Year Award:

Christopher B. Strunk of the Tulsa District
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o. Phillip W. Sauser Bridge Safety Engineer of the Year Award:

Adrian A. Kollias of the Philadelphia District

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p. CAD/BIM Professional of the Year:

Bryan J. Dirks of the St. Louis District

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q. Geospatial Professional of the Year Award:

Julie Vicars of the Vicksburg District

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r. Geotechnical, Geology, & Materials

(1) The Timothy Skeen Geotechnics Professional of the Year Award:

Dr. Michael Navin of the St. Louis District

(2) The Early Career Geoprofessional of the Year Award:

Stefan Flynn of the Rock Island District

(3) The Instrumentation and Performance Monitoring Professional of the Year Award:

Daniel Scott Massa of the Nashville District

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s. HH&C Professional of the Year Award:

Angela M. Duren of the Northwestern Division

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t. Climate Champion Award:

**Dr. Boris (Dan) Hernandez of the Southwestern Division**

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u. Resilience Role Model of the Year Award:

**Dr. Christopher Frans of the Seattle District**

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3. **Update.** This guidance does not affect higher level documents and does not require updating existing requirements.

4. **Points of Contact.** HQUSACE points of contact for this ECB are listed above for each program.

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