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SUBJECT: 2025 USACE Engineering and Construction Awards - Awardees

CATEGORY: For Information.

1. **Purpose.** This Engineering and Construction Bulletin (ECB) provides a listing of the awardees for the 2025 Engineering and Construction (E&C) Communities of Practice (CoP) Awards Program.

2. **The Awardees are:**

a. 2025 E&C CoP Awards

(1) Architect of the Year

Michael Ross Allen of the Huntsville Engineering and Support Center

POC: Scott Wick – Scott.C.Wick@usace.army.mil

(2) Bridge Safety Engineer of the Year Award

Matthew R. Sosna of the Philadelphia District

POC: Hien Duong - Hien.D.Duong2@usace.army.mil

(3) CAD/BIM Professional of the Year

Christopher R. Miller of the Pittsburgh District

POC: Earnest (Mack) McCarty - Earnest.M.Mccarty@usace.army.mil

(4) CAD/BIM Team Award of Excellence

**McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System (MKARNS) Team
of the Walla Walla District**

POC: Earnest (Mack) McCarty - Earnest.M.Mccarty@usace.army.mil

(5) Civil Engineering Professional of the Year Award

Alou C. Rice of the Mobile District

POC: Jennifer Kline - Jennifer.L.Kline@usace.army.mil

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- (6) Civil Engineering Team Award of Excellence
SWF Civil Design Team of the Fort Worth District
POC: Jennifer Kline - Jennifer.L.Kline@usace.army.mil
- (7) Construction Management Excellence
Kyle J. Volk of the St. Paul District
POC: Kenneth Simmons - Kenneth.C.Simmons@usace.army.mil
- (8) Control System Professional of the Year
Sloan Blain of the Kansas City District
POC: Shane Nieukirk - Shane.M.Nieukirk@usace.army.mil
- (9) Cost Engineer of the Year – Civil Works
Adam D. Tallman of the Galveston District
POC: Mukesh Kumar - Mukesh.Kumar@usace.army.mil
- (10) Cost Engineer of the Year - MILCON
Matthew Yannayon of the Kansas City District
POC: Mukesh Kumar - Mukesh.Kumar@usace.army.mil
- (11) Dam Safety Team Award of Excellence
Demopolis Lock Miter Sill Breach Repair PDT of the Mobile District
POC: Jacob Davis - Jacob.R.Davis@usace.army.mil
- (12) The Early Career Geotechnics Professional of the Year Award
Spencer T. Waganaar of the Sacramento District
POC: Georgette Hlepas - Georgette.Hlepas@usace.army.mil
- (13) Electrical Engineer of the Year
Jeffrey R. Denton of the Huntsville Engineering and Support Center
POC: Nic Ivy - Nicholas.J.Ivy@usace.army.mil
- (14) Fire Protection Engineer of the Year

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Vu Nguyen of the Louisville District

POC: Dawn Carney - Dawn.M.Carney@usace.army.mil

- (15) Geospatial Professional of the Year Award

Sean T. Carroll of the Portland District

POC: Jacob Watts - Jacob.A.Watts@usace.army.mil

- (16) Gil Valla Mechanical Engineer of the Year Award

Daniel L. Edwards of the Philadelphia District

POC: Timothy Paulus - Timothy.M.Paulus@usace.army.mil

- (17) Hard Hat of the Year

Roxanne B. Carlson of the Sacramento District

POC: Kenneth Simmons - Kenneth.C.Simmons@usace.army.mil

- (18) HH&C Professional of the Year Award

Mohammad Shahidul Islam of the Galveston District

POC: Sean Smith - Sean.L.Smith@usace.army.mil

- (19) Instrumentation and Performance Monitoring Professional of the Year

Brad Cox of the Jacksonville District

POC: Georgette Hlepas - Georgette.Hlepas@usace.army.mil

- (20) Interior Designer of the Year

Winnie Cady Ford of the Kansas City District

POC: Scott Wick – Scott.C.Wick@usace.army.mil

- (21) Landscape Architect of the Year

Thomas C. Savage of the Sacramento District

POC: Ryan Murphy – Ryan.R.Murphy@usace.army.mil

- (22) Levee Safety Professional of the Year

Alexis Twillmann of the St. Louis District

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POC: Richard Varuso - Richard.J.Varuso@usace.army.mil

- (23) Levee Safety Team Award of Excellence

SAJ National Risk Cadre of the Jacksonville District

POC: Richard Varuso - Richard.J.Varuso@usace.army.mil

- (24) Materials Engineer of the Year

Michael P. Wielputz of the Savannah District

POC: Georgette Hlepas - Georgette.Hlepas@usace.army.mil

- (25) Quality Professional of the Year (Construction)

Allen L. Malcomb of the Nashville District

POC: Andrea Hinkle - Andrea.M.Hinkle@usace.army.mil

- (26) Quality Professional of the Year (Engineering)

Hannah L. Bashore of the Detroit District

POC: Martin Borger - Martin.A.Borger@usace.army.mil

- (27) Quality Team of the Year

Portland District Specifications Team of the Portland District

POC: April Fontaine - April.L.Fontaine@usace.army.mil

- (28) Resilience Role Model Award (Individual)

Leigh A. Youngblood of the St. Paul District

POC: William Veatch - William.C.Veatch@usace.army.mil

- (29) Resilience Role Model Award (Team)

AutoRAPID Team

POC: William Veatch - William.C.Veatch@usace.army.mil

- (30) Section 408 Professional of the Year Award

Chandra Jenkins of the Sacramento District

POC: Bonnie Jennings - Bonnie.F.Jennings@usace.army.mil

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- (31) Structural Engineer of the Year Award
Donghyuk Chai of the Far East District
POC: Hien Duong - Hien.D.Duong2@usace.army.mil
- (32) The Timothy Skeen Geotechnics Professional of the Year Award
Stephen S. Potts of the New England District
POC: Georgette Hlepas - Georgette.Hlepas@usace.army.mil
- (33) Tommy Schmidt Dam Safety Professional of the Year
Richard E. Smith of the Seattle District
POC: Jacob Davis - Jacob.R.Davis@usace.army.mil
- (34) USACE Value Engineering Achievement Award (Organization)
Transatlantic Division Value Program
POC: Heather Bauer - Heather.D.Bauer@usace.army.mil
- (35) USACE Value Engineering Achievement Award (Program/Project)
Montgomery New River Chamber – 2018 Upper Ohio VE of the Pittsburgh District
POC: Heather Bauer - Heather.D.Bauer@usace.army.mil
- (36) USACE Value Engineering Professional of the Year
Roxanne C. Pien of the Honolulu District
POC: Heather Bauer - Heather.D.Bauer@usace.army.mil
- (37) USACE Value Engineering Rising Star
Travis Barker of the Huntington District
POC: Heather Bauer - Heather.D.Bauer@usace.army.mil
- (38) USACE Value Engineering Achievement Award (Wild Duck)
Carole Lee Rankin of the Louisville District
POC: Heather Bauer - Heather.D.Bauer@usace.army.mil
- (39) USACE Value Engineering Achievement Award (Special)

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Tobyhanna Army Depot EMF Range of the Philadelphia District

POC: Heather Bauer - Heather.D.Bauer@usace.army.mil

3. **Awards Website.** <https://eandcawards.erdcdren.mil>.
4. **Update.** This guidance does not affect higher level documents and does not require updating existing requirements.
5. **Points of Contact.** HQUSACE POCs for this ECB are listed above for each award category.

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