



National Forest Homeowners

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NOMINATION FOR NFH RECREATION ADVOCATE OF THE YEAR AWARD

This award, supported by the Forest Service, is designed to recognize the personal dedication of those dealing and interacting with recreation residence permittees. The award recognizes individuals who are outstanding examples of those who manage and administer the recreation residence program by nominating them for this award. They will be honored at the NFH annual convention.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE THE AWARD? Any USFS employee who works with recreation residences

WHO MAY NOMINATE? Any NFH member, member tract representative, or state association representative (including recommendations from USFS personnel)

WHAT TO SUBMIT? The completed questionnaire, a photo, and letters of recommendation: letters may come from individual permittees, representatives from the state, region or the National Forest served concerning the nominee's role in furthering the public service mission of the Forest Service and the enjoyment by permittees, their families and guests. Documentation of previous awards or recognition may be included.

Please submit all entries to Sharon Leach, Executive Director, PO Box 55, San Cristobal, NM 87564 or email to sleach@nationalforesthowners.org. ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY EMAIL OR POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 31 ANNUALLY IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE NFH NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Date submitted _____

Nominee name/address/phone/email/tract/National Forest _____

Nominator(s) name/address/phone/email/tract/National Forest _____

Please check the following appropriate items and add comments below:

1. How has the nominee assisted with or informed cabin owners in understanding how they can minimize their impact on the forest environment and therefore deal with potential problems before they arise?

Fire safe methods

Hazard trees

Encourages cooperative projects

Attending cabin group/tract meetings

Safety practices

Other (please specify)



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2. How does nominee demonstrate willingness to respond to permittee concerns?
 - Is “available”
 - Makes personal contacts
 - Promptly returns telephone calls/emails
 - Is familiar with group/tract special considerations/unique situations
 - Fulfills responsibilities to cabin owners
 - Other (please specify)

3. How does nominee exercise firmness/fairness while working with others?
 - Keeps cabin users aware/informed about consistency/compliance guidelines
 - Works with cabin users to understand permit requirements
 - Works with cabin users to comply with county/state/national forest standards
 - Other (please specify)

4. How has the nominee been involved as a participant in the completion of specific tasks/projects?
 - Provides viable, mutual acceptable solutions to permit/compliance issues/differences
 - Uses good judgment, takes a common sense approach
 - Willing to devote time to educate cabin users, engage in open, frank discussion
 - Attends and participates in local, state and national cabin owners meetings
 - Encourages a cooperative effort between USFS and cabin users
 - Ability to recognize and understand differing points of view
 - Recognizes heritage of recreation residence program
 - Demonstrates professionalism in working with the agency and cabin users
 - Is effective and trustworthy—exhibits a friendly approach to cabin users
 - Is a positive influence
 - Is respected by peers
 - Other (please specify)

Please feel free to include other comments, additional pages, and/or letters of support.