

Colorado Section Society for Range Management Award Guidelines

Nomination Due Date: **July 1, 2022**

Please submit your nomination to Julie Elliott: julie.elliott@usda.gov

Trail Boss Award

This award is the highest given to a section member for outstanding accomplishments to the range management profession and for exceptional service to the section. The nominee must be a member of the Colorado Section and SRM for the past five years. Past recipients are not eligible (please see www.cssrm.org for listing of past recipients). When nominating a candidate, please include the following:

- ❖ Nominee name
- ❖ Qualifications
- ❖ Service to SRM, Colorado Section and other groups.
- ❖ Number of years as a member of SRM.
- ❖ Summary of nominee's accomplishments/contributions to range management and to the Colorado Section.
- ❖ Nominator's name, address, and telephone number.
- ❖ A letter of recommendation from an additional SRM member.

Excellence in Rangeland Conservation Award

This award is given annually to an individual or group that has demonstrated exceptional skill and knowledge in practicing sound management of rangelands in the State of Colorado. Membership in the Society is not required. The recipient will be requested to attend the Section Annual Winter Meeting to receive the award. Public announcement of the award will not be made until presentation at the Annual Winter Meeting. When nominating a candidate, please include the following:

- ❖ Name of Nominee including address and phone number.
- ❖ Describe the reason the nomination is being submitted.
- ❖ A description of the operation including: name of operation, location, years of operation, size of operation, ownership of lands involved in the operation, goods and services that are produced on the operation.
- ❖ Describe the history of the operation. Include the condition of the land at the time the nominee began managing the operation and the land management problems/opportunities encountered in managing the operation
- ❖ Describe the rangeland conservation practices the nominee has implemented, particularly in the last five years. Relate how the practices addressed the conservation problems. Include quantitative information as much as possible. (ie – feet, acres, numbers of structures installed)
- ❖ List any natural resource or community organizations related to natural resources in which the nominee participates.
- ❖ Photos of operation are great. A slide presentation will be expected for the awards presentation.
- ❖ Nominator's name, address, and telephone number.
- ❖ Optional - Letters of recommendation.

Outstanding Young Range Professional Award

This award is to recognize outstanding performance in young men and women entering the profession of range management. It is given to an individual CSSRM member who has demonstrated extraordinary potential and promise as a range management professional.

Selection Criteria

1. The primary criterion for this award is tangible evidence that the nominee's accomplishments demonstrate extraordinary potential and promise as a future leader in the range profession.
2. Demonstration of leadership and professional potential may be in any facet of range management, including ranch management, agency employment, research, and education. Generally, demonstrated potential across a broad perspective is better than specialized attainments in a single area.
3. A nominee's participation in the Society activities, particularly at the Section level, is desirable. Membership in the Society is required.
4. The nominee shall have not reached his or her 40th birthday by January 1st of the year the award is to be conferred.
5. A recipient of this award shall not be eligible to receive this award again.

. When nominating a candidate, please include the following:

- ❖ Name of Nominee including address and phone number.
- ❖ Describe the reason the nomination is being submitted.
- ❖ Service to Colorado Section SRM
- ❖ Number of years as a member of SRM.
- ❖ Nominator's name, address, and telephone number.
- ❖ Optional - Letters of recommendation.

Outstanding Publication/Contribution Award

This award is to recognize noteworthy scholarly, literary, and aesthetic contributions, and efforts in publicizing range management practices, philosophies, and research activities. Only one Outstanding Publication/Contribution award will be given per year – not one per category. In the case of group publications, at least one of the writers must be a CSSRM member.

Selection Criteria:

1. The piece must have been published in a (1) scientific publication, (2) popular publication, (3) film, or (4) special contribution to another media type.
2. Nominated publications must be published in the two years prior to the nomination deadline.
3. Contributions may be directly relevant to Colorado rangelands, or to rangelands in general, and published by a Colorado Section member. Individuals or groups are eligible.

. When nominating a candidate(s), please include the following:

- ❖ Name of Nominee including address and phone number.
- ❖ A copy or electronic link to publication/media.
- ❖ Number of years as a member of SRM.
- ❖ Nominator's name, address, and telephone number.