

Criteria Form

Purpose This Project of the Year Award was established to recognize projects completed in response to a disaster and/or emergency construction/repair.

Eligibility Projects can be submitted by any managing agency that is a member of OPWA. The project value must fit into one of the following categories:

- 1) Projects less than \$2 million
- 2) Projects of \$2 million to \$10 million
- 3) Projects of \$10 million to \$50 million
- 4) Projects greater than \$50 million

For the Purpose of this award, public works are defined as the physical structures and facilities that are developed, owned, and maintained by public agencies to house governmental functions and provide water, wastewater, stormwater, waste disposal, transportation, and similar public services in accordance with established public policy.

To be eligible for nomination, a project must have been "substantially completed" and available for public and/or agency use, within two calendar years prior to nomination. If a project has multiple phases or segments, it is eligible if 90% is completed and available for public and/or agency use. A project may only be awarded "Project of the Year" once.

Nomination Process Nominations of candidates should be made by the managing public agency, or by OPWA Chapter or its Branches, or by OPWA members.

For any issues with submission, please contact chapteradmin@ontario.apwa.org

Selection Submissions will be reviewed and scored by the Awards Committee members and winning projects will be selected for each category.

Deadline **March 6, 2026 to be eligible. No exceptions.**

Presentation The winner of this award will be honoured at the annual OPWA Awards Luncheon, taking place on Wednesday May 13, 2026. The event will be held at the Mississauga Grand Banquet & Event Centre.

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