

Monday, July 6, 2026



PROJECT OF THE YEAR AWARDS CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

ABOUT THE AWARDS



Recognizes excellent in the management and administration of public works projects



Honors collaboration among agencies, consultants, and contractors.



Six project categories



Divided by population served and construction value



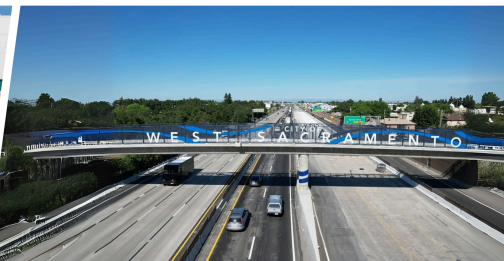
POPULATION SERVED

- Under 75,000
- Between 75,000 to 200,000
- Over 200,000



CONSTRUCTION VALUE

- Less than \$500,000
- \$500,000 to \$2 Million
- \$2 to \$10 Million
- \$10 to \$50 Million
- \$50 to \$100 Million



PROJECT CATEGORIES



STRUCTURES

New structures or preservation/rehabilitation of existing structures including municipal buildings and parks



TRANSPORTATION

Roads, freeway, bridges, mass transit, etc. that may serve any mode of travel including bicycles and foot traffic



ENVIRONMENT

Treatment & recycling facilities; landfill reclamation; sewer; flood control; pipeline; solid waste



HISTORICAL RESTORATION/PRESERVATION

Restoration; preservation & adaptive reuse of existing buildings, structures, or facilities that are 75 years or older



DISASTER/EMERGENCY CONSTRUCTION REPAIR

Techniques and timing for safety, community relations, environmental protection, adverse conditions



PARKS & TRAILS

Parks, trails, and pedestrian & bicycle facilities

✓ ELIGIBILITY



To be considered for a 2026 Chapter Project of the Year Award, the project must be substantially complete and available for use within two calendar years prior to nomination



If a project has multiple phases or segments, then "substantially completed" is when the final phase or segment is 90% completed and available for use.



A project previously submitted, but not selected, may be nominated again if the project meets the completion timeline.



For award consideration, complete the nomination form and submit the required supporting documents to Richard Liptak at rliptak@dokkenengineering.com OR send to 110 Blue Ravine Road, Suite 200, Folsom, CA 95630.



**NOMINATIONS DUE
MONDAY,
JULY 6, 2026**



**RESULTS ANNOUNCED
FRIDAY,
JULY 10, 2026**



**AWARDS LUNCHEON
FRIDAY,
AUGUST 7, 2026**
The Dante Club | 11:30 AM



2026 PROJECT OF THE YEAR AWARDS



A project may be nominated for an award by the Managing Agency, the Consultant, or the Contractor. Submittals should clearly address the seven (7) selection criteria. To submit your project for consideration:

- Complete the nomination form
- Send nomination form and supporting document(s) addressing the selection criteria to: Richard Liptak at rliptak@dokkenengineering.com OR mail one (1) hard copy to :

Richard Liptak, Awards Chair
c/o Dokken Engineering
110 Blue Ravine Road, Suite 200
Folsom, CA 95630
Tel: (916) 858-0642



- The winning projects will be selected by the Chapter Awards Committee.
- Results will be announced by **Friday, July 10, 2026**.
- Awards luncheon will be on **Friday, August 7, 2026**
- A plaque commemorating the project award will be presented to the Managing Agency/Owner.
- Chapter winning projects are eligible for the 2026 National Awards Program. The Chapter will forward projects to Nationals for consideration.

SELECTION CRITERIA

- 1 CONSTRUCTION** | Use of good construction management techniques and the completion of the project on schedule per the date contained in the contract. Address any time extension(s) granted.
- 2 SAFETY** | Safety performance and demonstrated awareness of the need for a good overall safety program for workers and the public during and after construction.
- 3 COMMUNITY RELATIONS** | Summary of the efforts to minimize public inconvenience due to construction, safety precautions to protect lives and property, provision of observation areas, guided tours, or other means of improving relations between the agency and the public.
- 4 ENVIRONMENT** | Demonstrated awareness for the need to protect the environment. This includes any considerations given to particular environmental concerns raised during the course of the project, as well as climate change and/or resiliency components for long-term community benefits.
- 5 UNUSUAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS** | Accomplishments under adverse conditions, including but not limited to age or condition of the facility, adverse weather, soil or site conditions over which there is no control.
- 6 ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS** | Additional conditions such as exceptional efforts to maintain quality control, and construction innovations developed and/or successfully utilized that resulted in time and/or money savings.
- 7 ALTERNATIVE MATERIALS/PRACTICES/FUNDING** | Use of alternative materials, practices or funding that demonstrates a commitment to sustainability, climate change resiliency, and/or use of sustainable infrastructure rating system or the equivalent.

Deadline for Nominations: Monday, July 6, 2026

2026 NOMINATION FORM

PROJECT OF THE YEAR AWARD



DEADLINE: Monday, July 6, 2026

PROJECT NAME

PROJECT COMPLETION DATE

Must be substantially complete (90%) and available for public use within two calendar years prior to nomination.

PROJECT CATEGORY

- Structures
- Transportation
- Environment
- Historical Restoration/Preservation
- Disaster or Emergency Construction/Repair
- Parks & Trails

CONSTRUCTION COST

\$ _____ Contractor Bid
\$ _____ Final Construction Cost

AGENCY SIZE

- Population 75,000 or less
- Population under 200,000
- Population over 200,000

NOMINATED BY

NAME	TITLE
AGENCY/ORGANIZATION	
ADDRESS	
CITY	ZIP
TELEPHONE NO.	FAX NO.
E-MAIL	

MANAGING AGENCY / OWNER

NAME	TITLE
AGENCY/ORGANIZATION	
ADDRESS	
CITY	ZIP
TELEPHONE NO.	FAX NO.
E-MAIL	

PRIMARY DESIGNER / CONSULTANT

NAME	TITLE
AGENCY/ORGANIZATION	
ADDRESS	
CITY	ZIP
TELEPHONE NO.	FAX NO.
E-MAIL	

PRIMARY CONTRACTOR

NAME	TITLE
AGENCY/ORGANIZATION	
ADDRESS	
CITY	ZIP
TELEPHONE NO.	FAX NO.
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CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

NAME	TITLE
AGENCY/ORGANIZATION	
ADDRESS	
CITY	ZIP
TELEPHONE NO.	FAX NO.
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