



2024 C.W. WATSON AWARD NOMINATION FORMAT

The C.W. Watson Award is the most prestigious award given in the southeast and is presented to the career individual who, in the opinion of the C.W. Watson Award Committee, has made the greatest contribution to wildlife or fish conservation during the previous year or years. Consideration includes research, administration, law enforcement, information and education, wildlife management, fish management, and includes teachers, professionals, and students. This award is presented jointly by the Southern Division of the American Fisheries Society, the Southeastern Section of The Wildlife Society, and the Southeastern Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies.

The C.W. Watson Award may be given for accomplishing a single item or a series of different nonrelated items. The C.W. Watson Award is given to a nominee who has contributed the most to any of the appropriate areas of fish and wildlife conservation. Emphasis is on the **contribution, not tenure**. Those making nominations are requested to ensure that they explain clearly what was accomplished and how it contributed to fish and wildlife conservation.

I. Individual making the Nomination

- A. Name
- B. Contact Email
- C. Contact Phone Number

II. Background Information of Nominee

- A. Name
- B. Education
- C. Employment History
- D. Recent Professional Image of Nominee

III. Nominee Accomplishments

- A. Comprehensive overview of the challenges and achievements of the nominee.
- B. Actions nominee took to address the issues, solve the problems, initiate programs, or engage beneficiaries to advance conservation.
- C. Accomplishments of nominee's actions to be considered in the award review.

Please limit applications to a maximum of 10 pages and submit as one file (.docx or pdf). Suggested materials include:

- Cover page (not included in page count)
- Nomination letter detailing accomplishments
- 1-3 letters of recommendation and a recent professional image of the nominee
- Nominee's resume or CV (not included in page count, not required)

Please submit C.W. Watson Award nominations **by Sunday, September 1, 2024** to:

2024 Chair of the C.W. Watson Committee

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