

PAST WINNERS OF CALIFORNIA TRAILS CONFERENCE AWARDS

(NOTE 1: Until 1998, there were no standard award categories or criteria)

(NOTE 2: This list does not include California Trail Days Awards given by the Trails and Greenways Foundation, nor does it include the Harry Dean Jr. Memorial Awards given by Whole Access.)

1994	
Lifetime Achievement	George Cardinet
Outstanding Trail Program	Rails-to-Trails Conservancy
1995	
Lifetime Achievement	Ross Henry
1996	
Lifetime Achievement	Hulet Hornbeck
Program Merit Award	Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation
1997	
Lifetime Achievement	Vie and George Obern
Trail Merit #1	Heritage Trails Fund
Trail Merit #2	Coastwalk
1998	
Lifetime Achievement	Claude A. (Tony) and Mildred Look
Trail Project Merit Award	Town of Mammoth Lakes
Trail Program Merit Award	East Bay Regional Park District
1999	
Lifetime Achievement	Ilse Byrnes
Trail Project Merit Awards	Carlsbad Watershed Network
Trail Program Merit Award #1	Mokelumne Trailbusters
Trail Program Merit Award #2	Bay Trail & CCC'S Reg. Development Program
Trail Leadership Award	Donald Murphy
Special Recognition	National Park Service's Rivers, Trails & Conservation Assistance Program
2000	
Trail Project Merit Award #1	City of Clovis, Coalition for Community Trails
Trail Project Merit Award #2	City of Fresno, Tree Fresno
Trail Program Merit Award	Santa Cruz Mountains Trail Association
Trail Event Merit Award	Bay Area Ridge Trail Council
Honorable Mentions (Project) #1	Red Bluff United
Honorable Mentions (Project) #2	CCC's Pacific Bay and San Luis Obispo Crews

Honorable Mentions (Event) #1	San Francisco Bay Trail Project
Honorable Mentions (Event) #2	County of Orange, the Office of Orange County's 5th District Supervisor
2000-2001	
Professional Achievement Award	Charlie Willard
Project Merit Award #1	San Dieguito River Park Joint Powers Authority
Project Merit Award #2	Project- Mule Hill/ San Pasqual Valley Trail
Event Merit Award	San Bernardino County Regional Parks, The Wildlands Conservancy, National Park Service, 1st Annual Santa Ana River Renaissance Symposium
Program Merit Award	www.weedfreefeed.com
2001-2002	
Trail Project Merit Awards	Ramona Trails Association, Pine Street Pathway/ Trail
Trail Program Merit Award	Tuolumne County Recreation Master Plan
Website Award	San Bernardino County Regional Parks (Trails Website)
Lifetime Professional Award #1	Greg Wells, State of California Dept. of Parks and Recreation
Lifetime Professional Award #2	Steve Fiala, East Bay Regional Park District
2004	
Trail Project Merit Award #1	City of Sacramento
Trail Project Merit Award #2	McMillin – Rancho Encantada Development – San Diego, CA
Trail Event Merit Award	Alta Loma Riding Club
2005	
Trail Project Merit Award #1	Big Sandy Bridge (Central California Offroad Cyclists)
Trail Project Merit Award #2	Wetlands of Watsonville Trail System
Trail Program Merit Award #1	Bridge the Gap Program (City of Folsom)
Trail Program Merit Award #2	San Diego County Trails Program
California Recreational Trails Committee Award	Dianne Jacob
Lifetime Professional Achievement Award	Doug Andrews
Lifetime Achievement Award	Barbara Weitz
Lifetime Achievement Award	William (Bill) Bliss
2006	

Trail Project Merit Award #1	Stocker Corridor Trail and Bike Path (California State Parks & Baldwin Hills Conservancy)
Trail Project Merit Award #2	"A Wheelchair Rider's Guide: San Francisco Bay and Nearby Coast" (California Coastal Conservancy)
Trail Event Merit Award #1	Trail Blast (City of Carlsbad)
Trail Event Merit Award #2	Children's Forest Exploration Trail Interpretive Design Institute (Children's Forest Assoc. San Bernardino National Forest)
Trail Program Merit Award	Mountain Bike Skills Park Volunteer Program (City of Folsom)
Website Award #1	www.smmtc.org (Santa Monica Mountains Trail Council)
Website Award #2	www.trailsnow.org (Trails Now)
Lifetime Professional Achievement Award	Bill Haire
2007	
Website Award	Trails for Richmond Action Committee (TRAC) Website
Program Award #1	San Jose Trails Program (City of San Jose)
Program Award #2	Clean Trails Happy People (CTHP) Volunteer Program (City of Folsom)
Event Award #1	El Dorado Trail Grand Opening (,El Dorado County Trails Advisory Committee Trails Now)
Event Award #2	Verdugo Hills Community Hike (City of Burbank, City of Glendale)
Project Award #1	Flint Wash Bridge (City of Pasadena)
Project Award #2	Morro Bay Harborwalk (City of Morro Bay)
Project Award #3	Bay- to- Ridge Trail (City of Palo Alto)
Project Award - Honorable Mention	Training Film- "Volunteering for Trail Maintenance" (Southern California Trails Coalition)
Project Award - Honorable Mention	Indiana Overcrossing Link Trail (City of La Canada Flintridge)
California Recreational Trails Committee Award	Kathy Papa
Lifetime Achievement Award	John and Arvie Degenfelder
2008	
Website Award #1	www.sjpark.org/trails (City of San Jose)
Website Award #2	www.ebparks.org (East Bay Regional Park District)
Program Award #1	Trails & Outdoor Leadership Workshop (Tahoe Rim Trail Assn.)
Program Award #2	Trails Challenge (East Bay Regional Park District)

Program Award #3	Basic Trail Maintenance for Volunteers Training Program & Armoring Volunteers for Trail Maintenance (County of San Diego Trails Program)
Event Award	Children Outdoors (Los Angeles County Dept of Parks & Recreation, City of Glendale Recreation and Community Services, National Park Service, US Forest Service, California State Parks, Rivers & Mountains Conservancy)
Project Award #1	Brushy Creek Regional Preserve Trail (East Bay Regional Park District)
Project Award #2	Centennial Way (City of South San Francisco)
Project Award #3	Virginia Corridor Railroad (City of Modesto)
Project Award - Honorable Mention	Santa Ana River Bikeway (County of Riverside)
California Trails & Greenways Foundation Grant #1	Sierra Buttes Trail Stewardship
California Trails & Greenways Foundation Grant #2	Ecology Restoration Group at UC Berkeley
Lifetime Professional Achievement Award	Peter Lewis
2009	
Event Award	Ivan Dickson Volunteer Trails Maintenance Program (East Bay Regional Park District)
Project Award #1	The Forest City Project (Forest Trails Alliance)
Project Award #2	Whittier Greenway Trail (City of Whittier)
Project Award #3	Johnson Ranch Open Space Trail System (City of San Luis Obispo, San Luis Obispo Chamber of Commerce, Central Coast Concerned Mountain Bikers Association)
Project Award - Honorable Mention	El Dorado County Trail (El Dorado County Trail Advisory Committee, Trails Now)
Project Award - Honorable Mention	Albertson Parkway Trail (City of San Jose)
Program Award	Arroyo Seco Trails Guide (City of Pasadena)
California Trails & Greenways Foundation Grant #1	American River Conservancy
California Trails & Greenways Foundation Grant #2	Fallbrook Land Conservancy Trails Council
California Recreational Trails Committee Award	Beverly Lane
Lifetime Professional Achievement Award #1	Don Beers
Lifetime Professional Achievement Award #2	Bob Doyle

Lifetime Professional Achievement Award #3	Karl Knapp
Lifetime Achievement Award	Ron Brown
2010	
Website Award	Irvine Ranch Conservancy
Program Award	Glendale Wilderness Workday
Project Planning Award #1	Green Transportation Initiative
Project Planning Award #2	San Jose Pedestrian Bridge
Event Award #1	REI Ridge Trail Service Day
Event Award #2	Carlsbad National Public Lands Day
Event Award #3	San Francisco Volunteers of California
Kids and Trails Award	NorCal Bike League
Project Construction Award #1	Loma Rica Ranch Youth Bicyclists
Project Construction Award #2	Schroder Overcrossing
Lifetime Professional Award	Steve Diers
Lifetime Volunteer Award #1	John Olmsted
Lifetime Volunteer Award #2	Michael Kelley
2011	
Merit Award-Event #1	Bay Area Trails Council REI Ridge Trail Service Day
Merit Award-Event #2	City of Carlsbad - National Public Lands Day
Merit Award-Event #3	San Francisco Recreation and Parks Dept. - Corona Heights Volunteers for Outdoor California
Merit Award-Website	Irvine Ranch National Landmarks www.irlandmarks.org
Merit Award-Program	Wilderness Workday
Merit Award-Project Planning #1	EBRPD - East Bay Green Transportation Initiative
Merit Award-Project Planning #2	San Jose City - Pedestrian Bridge Inspection Planning Process
Merit Award-Construction #1	Contra Costa County - Schroder Overcrossing
Merit Award-Construction #2	Loma Rica Trails Forest Trails Alliance
Merit Award-Kids and Trails	NorCal High School Cycling League
2012	
California Recreational Trails Award	Michael D. Antonovich
Merit Award-Event	Sonoma County Trails Council REI Ridge Trail Service Day
Merit Award-Program	Mill Valley Multi-Use Path
Merit Award-Project Planning	Coyote Creek Trail Master Plan
Merit Award-Construction	Mast Park Trail West
Merit Award-Project Construction	Guadalupe River Trail Reach 6
Merit Award-Kids and Trails	Inside the Outdoor Program

Lifetime Professional Achievement Award	Terry Hanson
2013	
Merit Award-Development #1	American Conservation Experience, Mt. Whitney Trail
Merit Award-Development #2	County of Santa Clara, Dept. of Parks & Rec., Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch Co. Park Trail Project
Merit Award-Program	Coachella Valley Assoc. of Governments, Parkway 1e11 Plan
Merit Award-Project Planning	EBRPD, Iron Horse Regional Trail Dublin/Pleasanton Gap
Merit Award-Development #1	CA State Parks, Monterey Dist., Pt. Lobos SNR Bird Island Trail
Merit Award-Development #2	City of Mountain View, Stevens Creek Trail
Merit Award-Development #3	Tahoe City Public Utility District, Tahoe City Lakeside Trail
Merit Award-Website	Rails-to-Trails Conservancy TrailLink.com
Merit Award-Kids and Trails	EBRPD and EBRPD Foundation, Kids Healthy Outdoors Challenge
Lifetime Volunteer Achievement Award	Elizabeth "Liz" Blackwelder
2014	
Merit Award-Event	Ivan Dickson Annual Multicultural Volunteer Trail Work Day-EBRPD
Merit Award-Program #1	Annabel SP Vol. Trail Work Program/Sonoma Co. Trail Council
Merit Award-Program #2	San Diequito River Park Mountain Bile Patrol
Merit Award-Program #3	Habitat Authority Trail Plan-Puente Hills Habitat Preservation Authority (Honorable Mention)
Merit Award-Project Planning #1	CA State Parks Road and Trail Change-In-Use Evaluation Process
Merit Award-Project Planning #2	Monterey Bay Sanctuary Scenic Trail Network Master Plan-Santa Cruz Co. Reg. Trans. Commission
Merit Award-Project Planning - Honorable Mention	Open Space, Trails, & Greenways Plan. Study-Pleasant Valley Rec. & Park District
Merit Award-Underserved Communities #1	Anderson Marsh Interpretive Association
Merit Award-Underserved Communities #2	INCIGHT
Merit Award-Website	Riverside County Parks and Open Space
Merit Award-Kids and Trails	Sierra Buttes Trail Stewardship

Lifetime Volunteer Achievement Award #1	Lauralee Svensgaard
Lifetime Volunteer Achievement Award #2	Jim Hasenauer
2015	
Merit Award-Development #1	Sunrise Recreation and Park District-Arcade Park Preserve
Merit Award-Development #2	East Bay RPD-2014 Road to Trail Conversion Projects
Merit Award-Development #3	Reconstruction
Merit Award-Development #4	Santa Clara County Parks-John Nicholas Trail
Merit Award-Development - Honorable Mention	Forest Trails Alliance-Deer Creek Tribute Trail
Merit Award-Development - Honorable Mention	City of Fullerton-Bastanchury/Valencia Mesa Bike Path
Merit Award-Development - Honorable Mention	Sonoma County Agricultural and Open Space District-Montini Open Space Preserve and Trail
Merit Award-Planning #1	Murrieta Creek Trail, Four City Planning Team
Merit Award-Planning #2	Sierra Club/Santa Margarita Group/San Geronio Chapter-City of San Jose-Three Creeks Trail Master Plan
Social Media, Websites and Technology Award #1	Konocti Regional Trails Group-konoctitrails.com
Social Media, Websites and Technology Award #2	UCLA Interpretive Media Laboratory-LASHP Trails Mobile Website
Social Media, Websites and Technology Award #3	S.F. Bay Trail Project-San Francisco Bay Trail Phone App
Social Media, Websites and Technology Award - Honorable Mention	County of Los Angeles-trails.lacounty.gov
Lifetime Professional Achievement Award	Richard W. "Dick" Troy
2016	
Merit Award-Development #1	City of Santee - Walker Preserve Trail
Merit Award-Development #2	City of LA - Los Angeles Riverfront Park, Phase II, Segment 1
Merit Award-Development - Honorable Mention	Sonoma County Trails Council - Trails for Taylor Mountain Partnership
Merit Award-Kids and Trails #1	Warner Springs Community Resource Center - Warner Springs Kids Going "Wild"
Merit Award-Kids and Trails #2	Plumas County Schools - Learning Landscapes
Merit Award-Kids and Trails - Honorable Mention	Los Angeles County - Department Of Parks and Recreation, Famcamp

Merit Award-Planning	County of Riverside - Regional Parks and Open Space District
Merit Award-Program	Mission Trails Regional Park's 5-Peak Challenge, City of San Diego Parks and Recreation Department
Merit Award-Social Media, Websites and Technology Award	Mammoth Lakes Trails System Website, Mammoth Lakes Recreation
2017	
Merit Awards - Development	Concerned Off-Road Bicyclists Association, Ken Burton Trail Restoration Project
Merit Awards - Development - Honorable Mention	San Diego Bay National Wildlife Refuge - California Coastal Conservancy, Bayside Birding And Walking Trail
Merit Awards - Acquisition	Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, And Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area/NPS, California State Parks, Backbone Trail Land Acquisition
Merit Awards - Kids And Trails	Sonoma County Trails Council, Annadel Trail Project
Merit Award-Planning	San Francisco Bay Trail Design Guidelines And Toolkit, San Francisco Bay Trail Project
Merit Awards – Event	East Bay Regional Park District, Ivan Dickson Trail Event
Merit Awards – Event - Honorable Mention	City Of La Cañada Flintridge, Hike With The Mayor To Celebrate 30 Years Of Open Space In Cherry Canyon
Merit Awards – Event - Honorable Mention	Stewards Of The Sequoia, Trail Appreciation Day
Coastal Trail Awards 2017 – Agency	Larry Tierney, California State Parks, Monterey District
Coastal Trail Awards 2017 - Nonprofit Organization	Paul Jenkin, Surfrider Foundation, Ventura County Chapter
California Trails & Greenways Foundation 2016 Trail Champion Award	Janet Phillips, Tahoe-Pyramid Bikeway
Lifetime Volunteer Achievement Award #1	Maryanne Vancio
Lifetime Volunteer Achievement Award #2	Kurt Loheit
Lifetime Volunteer Achievement Award #3	Ron Webster
2018	

Merit Awards - Development	City of San Diego, Department of Parks and Recreation, Helix Flume Trail
Merit Awards - Development - Honorable Mention	Redding Trail Alliance, Enticer Trail
Merit Awards - Development - Honorable Mention	City of San Jose, Department of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services, Three Creeks Trail
Merit Award - Planning	City of Santa Barbara, Las Positas Multi-Use Path
Merit Award - Planning	Santa Clara County, Department of Parks and Recreation, Sign Guidelines and Standards Manual
Merit Award - Event	Access4Bikes Foundation, Ales and Trails
Merit Award-Social Media, Websites and Technology Award	Agents of Discovery, US Forest Service Program
Lifetime Professional Achievement #1	John Kolb
Lifetime Professional Achievement #2	Stephan Vance
2019	
Merit Awards - Development	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services' Modoc National Wildlife Refuge, County of Modoc, and the City of Alturas - Alturas to Modoc Trail Project
Merit Awards - Development	City of Brea - The Tracks at Brea
Merit Awards - Development - Honorable Mention	San Diego Canyonlands - City Heights Canyons Loop Trail
Merit Awards - Development - Honorable Mention	Concerned Off-Road Bicyclists Association and the Mount Wilson Bicycling Association - Gabrielino National Recreation Trail Restoration Project
Merit Awards - Development - Honorable Mention	East Bay Regional Park District - Pinole Shores to Bayfront Park Project
Merit Award - Planning	Riverside County Regional Parks and Open Space District, Comprehensive Trails Plan
Merit Award-Social Media, Websites and Technology Award	County of San Diego, Department of Parks and Recreation - Old Survey Road 97 Trail User Video and Self-Issued Permits Program
California Trails & Greenways Foundation 2019 Trail Champion Award	Dan Ardoin
California Trails & Greenways Foundation 2019 Trail Champion Award	Steve Messer
California Trails & Greenways Foundation 2019 Trail Champion Award	Patricia Riggs
2020	

Lifetime Achievement Award	Jim and Cathy Haagen-Smit
Merit Award - Development	Tahoe-Pyramid Trail
Merit Award - Development	San Lorenzo River Parkway, Phase III, Trestle Trail Project
Merit Award - Events	Creek Week, Mariposa County Planning Department
Merit Award - Kids and Trails	50 Hikes with Kids: California, by Wendy Gorton
Merit Award - Kids and Trails	Bay Area Youth Trail Crew at Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park, Student Conservation Association
Merit Award - Planning	Ohlone-Portolá Heritage Trail Study, San Mateo County Parks Department