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 Awards (2)...........................................Mokelumne Trailbusters
Bay Trail & CCC’S Reg. Development Program
Trail Event Merit Award.................................................................(Not presented)
Trail Leadership Award.................................................................Donald Murphy
Special Recognition........National Park Service’s Rivers, Trails & Conservation Assistance Program

2000:
Lifetime Achievement.................................................................(Not presented)
Trail Project Merit Awards (2)......................................................Cities of Clovis and Fresno, Tree Fresno and the Coalition for Community Trails
Trail Program Merit Award.................................................................Santa Cruz Mountains Trail Association
Trail Event Merit Award.................................................................Bay Area Ridge Trail Council
Honorable Mentions (Project) (2).....................................................Red Bluff United
CCC’s Pacific Bay and San Luis Obispo Crews
Honorable Mentions (Event) (2)......................................................San Francisco Bay Trail Project
County of Orange, the Office of Orange County’s 5th District Supervisor
2000-2001:
Lifetime Achievement Award (not presented)
Professional Achievement Award: Charlie Willard
Project Merit Award: San Dieguito River Park Joint Powers Authority
Project- Mule Hill/ San Pasqual Valley Trail
Event Merit Award: San Bernardino County Regional Parks
The Wildlands Conservancy
National Park Services
Event- 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 Event Merit Award (not presented)
Trail Program Merit Award: Tuolumne County Recreation Master Plan
Website Award: San Bernardino County Regional Parks (Trails Website)
Lifetime Achievement Award (not presented)
Lifetime Professional Award (2): Greg Wells, State of California Dept. of Parks and Recreation
Steve Fiala, East Bay Regional Park District

2004:
Trail Project Merit Award: City of Sacramento
McMillin – Rancho Encantada Development – San Diego, CA
Trail Event Merit Award: Alta Loma Riding Club

2005:
Trail Project Merit Award: Big Sandy Bridge (Central California Offroad Cyclists)
Wetlands of Watsonville Trail System
Trail Program Merit Award: Bridge the Gap Program (City of Folsom)
San Diego County Trails Program
California Recreational Trails Committee Award: Dianne Jacob
Lifetime Professional Achievement Award: Douglas (Doug) Andrews
Lifetime Achievement Award: Barbara Weitz
William (Bill) Bliss

2006:
Trail Project Merit Award (2): Stocker Corridor Trail and Bike Path (California State Parks & Baldwin Hills Conservancy)
“A Wheelchair Rider’s Guide: San Francisco Bay and Nearby Coast”
(California Coastal Conservancy)
Trail Event Merit Award (2): Trail Blast (City of Carlsbad)
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………………………………..www.smmtc.org (Santa Monica Mountains Trail Council) 
www.trailsnow.org (Trails Now)

Lifetime Professional Achievement Award……………………………………………..……….Bill Haire

2007:
Website Award………………………………...Trails for Richmond Action Committee (TRAC) Website 
Program Award……………………………………………….San Jose Trails Program (City of San Jose) 
Clean Trails Happy People (CTHP) Volunteer Program (City of Folsom)
Event Award…………………………………………………………...El Dorado Trail Grand Opening 
(,El Dorado County Trails Advisory Committee Trails Now) 
Verdugo Hills Community Hike (City of Burbank, City of Glendale)
Project Award………………………………………………………Flint Wash Bridge (City of Pasadena) 
Morro Bay Harborwalk (City of Morro Bay) 
Bay- to- Ridge Trail (City of Palo Alto)
Honorable Mention: Training Film- “Volunteering for Trail Maintenance” 
(Southern California Trails Coalition)
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 .............................................www.sjparks.org/trails (City of San Jose) 
www.ebparks.org (East Bay Regional Park District)
Program Award ......................Trails & Outdoor Leadership Workshop (Tahoe Rim Trail Assn.) 
Trails Challenge (East Bay Regional Park District) 
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 .................... Brushy Creek Regional Preserve Trail (East Bay Regional Park District) 
Centennial Way (City of South San Francisco) 
Virginia Corridor Railroad (City of Modesto) 
Honorable Mention—Santa Ana River Bikeway (County of Riverside)
California Trails & Greenways Foundation Grant ....................Sierra Buttes Trail Stewardship 
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 .............................................The Forest City Project (Forest Trails Alliance) 
Whittier Greenway Trail (City of Whittier)
Johnson Ranch Open Space Trail System (City of San Luis Obispo, San Luis Obispo Chamber of Commerce, Central Coast Concerned Mountain Bikers Association)
Honorable Mention--El Dorado County Trail (El Dorado County Trail Advisory Committee, Trails Now)
Honorable Mention--Albertson Parkway Trail (City of San Jose)
Program Award ................................................................. Arroyo Seco Trails Guide (City of Pasadena)
California Trails & Greenways Foundation Grant ....................................American River Conservancy
                              Placer Land Trust
                              Fallbrook Land Conservancy Trails Council
California Recreational Trails Committee Award .................................. Beverly Lane
Lifetime Professional Achievement Award ................................................. Don Beers
                                                Bob Doyle
                                                Karl Knapp
Lifetime Achievement Award ..................................................................... Ron Brown

2010:
Website Award ....................................................................................... Irvine Ranch Conservancy
Program Award .......................................................................................... Glendale Wilderness Workday
Project Planning Award ................................................................................ Green Transportation Initiative
San Jose Pedestrian Bridge
Event Award .................................................................................................. REI Ridge Trail Service Day
Carlsbad National Public Lands Day
San Francisco Volunteers of California
Kids and Trails Award ...................................................................................... NorCal Bike League
Project Construction Award ........................................................................... Loma Rica Ranch Youth Bicyclists
Schroder Overcrossing
Lifetime Professional Award: ........................................................................ Steve Diers
Lifetime Volunteer Award .............................................................................. John Olmsted
                                                Michael Kelley

2011:
Merit Award-Event.................................................................Bay Area Trails Council REI Ridge Trail Service Day
City of Carlsbad - National Public Lands Day
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.................................City of Glendale, Third Saturday of the Month - Wilderness Workday
Merit Award-Project Planning..............................EBRPD - East Bay Green Transportation Initiative
San Jose City - Pedestrian Bridge Inspection Planning Process
Merit Award-Construction............................................................... Contra Costa County - Schroder Overcrossing
Loma Rica Trails Forest Trails Alliance
Merit Award-Project Construction .........................................................Guadalupe River Trail Reach 6
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
2013:
Merit Award-Development.........................American Conservation Experience, Mt. Whitney Trail
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..................CA State Parks, Monterey Dist., Pt. Lobos SNR Bird Island Trail
City of Mountain View, Stevens Creek Trail
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......................Annabel SP Vol. Trail Work Program/Sonoma Co. Trail Council
San Diequito River Park Mountain Bike Patrol
Habitat Authority Trail Plan-Puente Hills Habitat Preservation Authority (Honorable Mention)
Merit Award-Project Planning..........CA State Parks Road and Trail Change-In-Use Evaluation Process
Monterey Bay Sanctuary Scenic Trail Network Master Plan-Santa Cruz Co. Reg. Trans. Commission
Open Space, Trails, & Greenways Plan. Study-Pleasant Valley Rec. & Park District (Hon. Mention)
Merit Award-Underserved Communities........................Anderson Marsh Interpretive Association
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Merit Award-Website............................Riverside County Parks and Open Space
Merit Award-Kids and Trails..............................Sierra Buttes Trail Stewardship
Lifetime Volunteer Achievement Award.............................Lauralee Svensgaard
Jim Hasenauer

2015:
Merit Award-Development....................Sunrise Recreation and Park District-Arcade Park Preserve
East Bay RPD-2014 Road to Trail Conversion Projects
Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit-Eagle Falls Trail Reconstruction
Santa Clara County Parks-John Nicholas Trail
Forest Trails Alliance-Deer Creek Tribute Trail (Honorable Mention)
City of Fullerton-Bastanchury/Valencia Mesa Bike Path (Honorable Mention)
Sonoma County Agricultural and Open Space District-Montini Open Space Preserve and Trail (Honorable Mention)
Merit Award-Planning...Sierra Club/Santa Margarita Group/San Gorgonio Chapter-Murrieta Creek Trail
Four City Planning Team
City of San Jose-Three Creeks Trail Master Plan
Social Media, Websites and Technology Award………Konocti Regional Trails Group-konoctitrails.com
UCLA Interpretive Media Laboratory-LASHP Trails Mobile Website
S.F. Bay Trail Project-San Francisco Bay Trail Phone App
County of Los Angeles-trails.lacounty.gov (Honorable Mention)
Lifetime Volunteer Achievement Award………………………………………………Richard W. “Dick” Troy