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# Western Australian coastal Anards for Excellence

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### **2022 Nomination Guidelines**

# Nominations are now open

Calling for nominations from individuals, community groups, schools, local and State government agencies and non-government organisations that have demonstrated success and outstanding commitment to working towards sustainable planning and/or management of WA's coast.

### Nominations close 12 noon 6 July 2022

The WA Coastal Awards are proudly coordinated by the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage on behalf of the Western Australian Planning Commission's Coastal Zone Management Program. Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage - Telephone: 6551 9344 - Email: coastal@dplh.wa.gov.au - Website: www.wa.gov.au

The **WA Coastal Awards for Excellence** celebrate the outstanding efforts and achievements of Western Australians in planning, managing and protecting our coast <sup>1</sup>.

<sup>1</sup>Coast or coastal zone is as defined in the *State Planning Policy* 2.6: *State Coastal Planning Policy* (SPP 2.6) which applies to the coast throughout Western Australia, including:

- sandy coasts, rocky coasts, mixed sandy and rocky coasts, coastal lowlands, and tidal reaches of inland waters;
- near shore marine waters, state waters; and
- all islands within the state lying seawards of the mainland.

Detailed descriptions of coastal types are outlined in <u>Schedule One of SPP 2.6</u>.

# Who is eligible?

Nominations are sought from:

- individuals
- community groups
- schools
- local government
- State government agencies
- non-government organisations.

Anyone can nominate for an award. You can nominate yourself, your organisation or another individual or organisation.

## Why Nominate?

By nominating for an award, you have the opportunity to:

- recognise outstanding efforts
- recognise coastal leaders and innovators
- showcase achievements and best practices
- make new contacts and expand networks
- increase awareness
- encourage future participation, support and funding.



2019 Community Group Award Winner Cottesloe Coastcare Association weeding event

### Award categories

#### 1. Coastal Champion

Awarded to an individual or group for outstanding commitment, leadership, stewardship and contribution to the management and conservation of the Western Australian coast.

#### 2. Coastal Planning

Awarded for an outstanding project, plan, program, policy or strategy that provides for long-term sustainability of the Western Australian coast.

### 3. Coastal Management and Adaptation

Awarded for maintaining sustainable use of Western Australian beaches and foreshores, improving coastal environments and natural values and managing risks of coastal hazards, demonstrating adaptation and building resilience to coastal hazards.

#### 4. Education and Engagement

Awarded for positively engaging, educating and building capacity of Western Australian communities to increase involvement in coastal zone management activities.

#### 5. Coastal Design

Awarded for a coastal development, built form, landscape, heritage or tourism project of outstanding design quality, that demonstrates innovation, sustainability and positively contributes to the Western Australian coast.

#### 6. Science and Research

Awarded for innovative applied science or research that assists to protect, conserve and enhance the Western Australian coast.



2019 Coastal Design Winner City of Cockburn's Coogee Maritime Trail underwater reef

### How to nominate

- 1. Read the Terms and Conditions
- 2. Select which award category or categories you wish to enter
- 3. Download the nomination form available at Coastal awards for excellence
- 4. Save the document and name it the award category number followed by the name of your nomination (e.g. Category 1- Green Coast Action Group.doc)
- 5. Complete the Nomination Form and answer the selection criteria
- 6. Select photographs and supporting documentation
- 7. Email your completed nomination and supporting material to coastal@dplh.wa.gov.au by **12noon Wednesday 6 July 2022**

# Judging and announcement

Finalists are selected by a panel of judges consisting of members from the Western Australian Planning Commission, Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage, coastal and marine natural resource management groups and local government.

Winners will be announced at the WA Coastal Awards for Excellence Ceremony on 19 September 2022 during the 2022 WA State Natural Resource Management and Coastal Conference in Mandurah, Western Australia.



2019 Coastal Champion Award Broome Community Seagrass Monitoring Project

### Entry terms and conditions

- The awards are open to individuals, community groups, schools, private companies, local government authorities, government agencies and organisations in Western Australia that have demonstrated a commitment to improvement and care of Western Australia's coastal and/or marine environment.
- 2. Projects must be current or have been completed during the last two years.
- 3. Projects should be consistent with the <u>WA Coastal Zone Strategy</u> and <u>State Planning</u> <u>Policy 2.6 State Coastal Planning Policy</u>.
- 4. Projects, individuals and groups can be nominated in more than one award category.
- 5. An organisation/group can nominate more than one project in the same award category. A separate nomination form must be completed for each project.
- 6. The judging panel reserve the right to move a nomination to another award category if they feel it is better suited.
- Award nominations will only be accepted on the official nomination form available at <u>Coastal awards for excellence</u> (www.wa.gov.au).
- 8. Nominations are to be submitted via email to <u>coastal@dplh.wa.gov.au</u>.
- Nominations close
  12 noon Wednesday 6 July 2022.
- 10. All nominations and supporting material (including images) must be submitted by the closing date.
- Limit attachments to essential information. Images must be supplied in jpeg format and a maximum of ten files will be accepted. The total

size of your nomination (including images and supporting documentation) must not exceed 10MB.

- One short video supporting your nomination (maximum of three minutes in length) may be submitted via Dropbox. Include the Dropbox link in the email when you submit your nomination.
- 13. When submitting your nomination, enter the award category followed by the name of your nomination into the email subject line (e.g. Category 1- Green Coast Action Group).
- 14. You will receive an email confirming receipt of your nomination.
- 15. The judging panel may elect to award more than one winner or a Special Commendation in any award category.
- The decision of the judging panel is final and no further communication will be entered into.
- 17. All material submitted as part of a nomination becomes the property of the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage and Western Australian Planning Commission. No material submitted as part of your nomination will be returned. The Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage and Western Australian Planning Commission reserve the right to use material submitted for publicity purposes of the WA Coastal Awards. Information, photographs and videos submitted may be used for media and promotional purposes, such as during the Awards Ceremony and on the Department's website.
- 18. Failure to comply with any of the entry rules may result in the forfeiture of your nomination.
- 19. All nominees will be notified in writing of the outcome of their nomination.

Further information

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