



December 18, 2020

RE: 2020 Del Val Section Project of the Year Competition

Dear Fellow ASHE Members,

The Delaware Valley Section of the American Society of Highway Engineers is seeking nominations for the “2020 Project of the Year.” **Two awards** will be presented at the April 2021 meeting.

The award categories will be broken down into two categories – one award for **larger** projects and one award for **smaller** projects. Once the applications have been received, the Project of the Year Committee will determine the breakout between large and small categories based upon the total construction cost of the projects. Please note that this year’s submission requirements and scoring criteria have been updated to be consistent with ASHE NE Region and ASHE National Project of the Year Competition.

To be eligible, the project must be submitted by a member in good standing with ASHE. The project construction must have been *substantially completed and open to the public* between January 1, 2020 and December 31, 2020. The project is to have been constructed within the geographic boundaries of the Delaware Valley Section (*outer boundary of the five county Philadelphia area, namely Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery and Philadelphia counties*) and should have a highway, bridge or transportation focus. The selection will be based on the information submitted and on the rating criteria found on the enclosed nomination form.

Nominations must be received by **February 18, 2021**. If you have any questions, please contact me at (484) 631-6466 or via email at mtward@transystems.com. We look forward to reviewing your nomination.

Good Luck!

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matthew Ward".

Matthew Ward, PE
Project of the Year
Committee Chair

These forms can also be downloaded at the ASHE Delaware Valley web site – www.delvalley.ashe.pro/



“2020 PROJECT OF THE YEAR” Project Entry Form

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Name of Project

Location:

***Owner:**

***Contractor:**

***Designer:**

***Inspection Agency:**

Submitting Agency or firm:

Contact Person:

Address:

Phone Number:

E-Mail:

Completion and Open to the Public Date:

Final Construction Cost:

* Only these firms or agencies will receive an award, all other team members will receive a certificate of recognition upon request.

The awards will be presented at the April 2021 meeting.

Submit nominations to: Matthew Ward, PE
mtward@TranSystems.com
(484) 631-6466

A return email will be sent to acknowledge your entry.

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY 4pm, February 18, 2021



Entry Package

Please follow all instructions and include all requested materials. Note that the projects may also be eligible for submission by the Del Val Section to ASHE NE Region for the National Project of the Year. This may require an additional submission package at a later date.

Listed below are the required criteria and their point values. Please follow the entry requirements clearly and succinctly as directed. The quality of an entry's presentation will have bearing on its potential to win.

Entry Requirements

- Completed Project Entry Form
- Narrative describing the project not exceeding 1500 words (12-point font, 8 ½" x11" pages)
- The narrative must address the 6 categories in the scoring and judging criteria below. Project Construction costs must be provided.
- Up to five (5) construction drawings on 11"x17" sheets that are relative to the scoring and judging criteria.
- Up to five (5) photos (maximum size: 8 ½"x11") that are relative to the scoring and judging criteria.
- Include a letter from the owner (2 pages max) stating how the completed project met the owner's goals. If the owner cannot submit a letter, please explain why they are unable to do so.
- Project Entry Form, narrative, drawings, photos, and owner's letter shall be compiled in a single PDF file in the order noted. Size limit of the PDF file is limited to 15 MB.
- The photos used in the PDF shall be provided in high resolution jpg format. *Applicants are responsible for obtaining the rights from their photographer to reprint the photographs without limitations. Photographers normally retain the copyright of photos, so applicants should ensure that they have permission to copy and send photos. Any liability for copyright violation shall be borne solely by the applicant. If a photo credit is required, include the photo credit information. ASHE Delaware Valley reserves the right to publish the images online, in their Newsletter and in various ASHE Delaware Valley presentations.*

Submission

Due to the size requirements, it is strongly recommended that your entry be made via online transfer or ftp. All entries must be received by 4PM on February 18, 2021.

Award Scoring Criteria and Judging

Each entry will be judged by a panel comprised of members of the Project of the Year Committee. Each entry will be based on the following criteria:

- 25% Complexity
- 25% New Application of Existing Techniques / Originality / Innovation
- 15% Social / Economic Considerations
- 15 % Safety
- 10% Aesthetics and Sustainable Features
- 10% Meeting and Exceeding Owners / Client's Needs

The winners for the larger and smaller project categories will each be determined based on the highest average score. The awards will be presented at the April 2021 meeting.