

APPENDIX B

FAIRFAX COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS

The Fairfax County Environmental Excellence Awards have been established to recognize county residents, organizations, businesses and county employees who unselfishly dedicate time, energy and expertise for the betterment of the environment in support of countywide environmental goals and initiatives. Award recipients are selected by the Environmental Quality Advisory Council, and the awards are presented each fall during a meeting of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors.

The recipients of the 2006 Environmental Excellence Awards were:

County Resident Award:	Ken Andrews
Organization Award:	Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District
Business Award:	Wetland Studies and Solutions, Inc.

Ken Andrews was recognized for his personal dedication, energy, enthusiasm and commitment to a variety of environmental management and stewardship efforts in the Reston area. He has been a member of the Reston Association's Environmental Advisory Committee since 1998 and the chairman or co-chairman of this committee since 2000. Under his leadership, the committee established and implemented a variety of environmental programs addressing efforts such as stream monitoring and clean-up, invasive plant removal, recycling and the provision of dispensers for pet waste disposal. He has championed a variety of environmental outreach and stewardship efforts and has worked actively in the development and promotion of the Reston Association's Watershed Management Plan.

The Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District was recognized for its commitment to environmental protection and restoration through:

- Environmental improvement projects.
- Outreach and education programs.
- Technical advice.
- Partnerships with government, industry and community organizations.

The numerous efforts of the district have included coordination of several hundred volunteer stream monitors, design and implementation of stream restoration and stream bank stabilization projects, a storm drain education program, design and implementation of low impact development demonstration projects in coordination with county agencies, assistance to

landowners with agricultural provisions of the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Ordinance, other technical assistance to county agencies and numerous education and outreach programs.

Wetland Studies and Solutions, Inc. was recognized for expertise, professionalism, innovation and leadership in the development industry in the fields of wetland and Resource Protection Area delineations and stormwater management and for collaboration with the county on a variety of related regulatory and policy issues. WSSI's efforts have included:

- Active participation on the county's Adequate Outfall Committee.
- Assistance with development of low impact development guidelines both in the county's Public Facilities Manual and in a regional manual under development.
- Contributions at public meetings regarding environmental issues.
- Demonstration of good environmental stewardship principles in wetland and Resource Protection Area delineations and site assessments.

WSSI has also led by example by implementing innovative low impact development and green building practices.

EQAC congratulates all award recipients.

In past years, Environmental Excellence Awards have been awarded to the following people and organizations:

2005

County Employee Award: Janet Rahman

2004

County Resident Award: Ned Foster
Organization Award: Reston Association

2003

County Resident Award: Joseph Chudzik
Organization Award: Students Against Global Abuse
County Employee Award: Noel Kaplan

2002

County Resident Award: Charlie Creighton
Organization Award: Hickory Farms Community Association

2001

County Resident Award:	Chris Koerner
Organization Award:	Bailey's Beautification Alliance

2000

County Resident Award:	Norma Hoffman
Organization Award:	Friends of Sugarland Run
County Government Employee Award:	Gary Roisum

The nomination period for the Environmental Excellence Awards occurs during the spring of each year. EQAC encourages interested individuals, organizations, county employees and businesses to submit nominations.

