# 2014 TREES AWARDS CATEGORIES

The **TREES AWARDS** recognize individuals, organizations and agencies who contribute in an outstanding way to forestry activities. Forestry activities can include: fire mitigation, protection and suppression; tree planting, preservation, or maintenance; community forestry efforts; forest management practices; forest recreation; or environmental education.

# Base your nomination on the following categories:

# **COMMUNITY OF THE YEAR**

A community that demonstrates, through exemplary leadership or outstanding example, its commitment to the development or enthusiastic continuation of a sustainable community forestry program for present and future generations.

# **CONSERVATION ACHIEVEMENT**

An individual, family or business that exhibits an outstanding commitment to overall conservation including the planting and care of trees and shrubs for the purpose of enhancing North Dakota's landscape.

#### **DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD**

Presented to an individual exhibiting enthusiastic promotion of forestry principles and practices including: fire mitigation, protection and suppression; tree planting, preservation, or maintenance; community forestry efforts; forest management practices; forest recreation; or environmental education.

# **EXCELLENCE IN GOVERNMENT**

An agency or division of government, at any level, that exhibits extraordinary effort and dedication in the conduct of programs and projects that result in a significant benefit to forestry.

# FIRE DEPARTMENT COOPERATOR

A fire department that demonstrates leadership and commitment to the enhancement of its fire suppression capabilities, wildfire awareness and prevention, and active mitigation of wildfire hazards through involvement with Cooperative Fire Protection programs, wildland fire training and interagency cooperation.

# **MEDIA OUTREACH**

An individual or company that disseminates news, editorial, commentary, documentary or other information which assists in raising public awareness about the benefits and challenges associated with forestry activities.

### NATURAL RESOURCES PROFESSIONAL

An individual employed in the natural resources field dedicated to forestry, fire, stewardship, tree planting, tree care or tree preservation through exemplary leadership or outstanding example at the local, county, regional or state level.

# TREE CELEBRATION

A celebration which highlights the many benefits that trees provide and incorporates both an educational component and hands-on activity to stimulate increased knowledge, interest and action.

# **VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATION**

An organization that exhibits the true spirit of leadership, dedication and volunteerism by planning, conducting and maintaining outstanding forestry projects.

# YOUTH TREE PLANTERS

A youth group whose members exhibit genuine concern for the natural environment by participation in tree planting, tree care, tree preservation or tree knowledge projects and activities.



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# NOMINATION FORM

Please complete the following information for each nomination submitted. Award categories are listed on the other sheet. Duplicate this form as often as you like and please *type or print clearly*. Additional sheets or exhibits may be helpful. *Please be sure to include photos or slides of the nominee(s) and projects that the nominee has been involved in*.

AWARD CATEGORY:	Date:
NOMINEE'S NAME:	Email:
TITLE OR POSITION:	ORGANIZATION:
MAILING ADDRESS:	
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NARRATIVE EXPLANATION of what the n	ominee has accomplished that prompts your nomination.
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NOMINATOR'S NAME:	Email:
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PHONE NUMBER: Office:	Home:
SEND FORM BY AUGUST 1, 2014, TO:	Trees Awards Nomination NDSU-ND FOREST SERVICE 916 E Interstate Ave, Suite 4 Bismarck ND 58503

NOTE: Please be sure to include photos of the nominee(s) and projects that the nominee has been involved in!