



OVERVIEW

CATT is the leading organization for the trenchless industry in Canada and is focused on recognizing outstanding people, organizations, technologies and projects that are instrumental in advancing our industry locally and internationally. As such, CATT has created its Award of Excellence to be presented to outstanding contributors.

ELIGIBILITY

The CATT Award of Excellence (AOE) may be awarded to any of the following who have made a significant contribution to the trenchless industry in the preceding year.

- Individuals
- Companies or Organizations
- Projects

NOMINATIONS

Nominations must be made by completing a nomination form and submitting it to a member of the CATT Board of Directors by 6pm EST on May 1st. All nominations will be reviewed and the winner notified by July 31st. The award will be presented at the AGM in October.

Individuals and organizations may be nominated in more than once, however projects must have been “substantially completed” and available for public and/or agency use within the previous calendar year. If a project has multiple phases or segments, then “substantially completed” will be construed as that point when the final phase or segment is 90% completed and available for public and/ or agency use.

Self nominations will only be allowed by stakeholders in a project nomination and not for individual or organization nominations.

REVIEW PROCESS

Nominations will be reviewed during a Board of Directors meeting in the spring.. A winner will be selected by vote (proxy voting is permitted for Board members unable to attend, at least six members must vote). In the case of a tie, the Chair will be the deciding vote or elect to award two winners. No more than two winners in any year will be allowed.

If further information regarding a nomination is desired, the nominator may be contacted to elaborate and the vote tabled until the next Board meeting, where a final decision will be made by the Board.

Additionally, there is no obligation for an award to be given in the absence of suitable nominations.



CRITERIA

For any nomination, the nominee must have shown contributions or exceptional application of trenchless principles and practices.

For individuals & organizations:

Individuals must have shown significant contribution to the trenchless industry in the nomination year or over multiple years. Areas of contribution include, but are not limited to:

- Significant contributions to the advancement of trenchless technologies.
- Outstanding leadership and vision evidenced by employing progressive management techniques in the area of trenchless technologies.
- Employment of new and innovative ideas and technology resulting in the advancement of the effectiveness of trenchless technology.
- Maintenance of a high degree of satisfaction among clients and other stakeholders.
- Promotion of the field of trenchless technologies in the community, industry or clients served.
- Supporting the advancement of sustainable contributions in the trenchless industry.

For projects:

Eligible trenchless projects must show excellence in one or more of the following areas:

- Use of good project management techniques and completion of the project on schedule.
- Safety performance and demonstrated awareness of the need for a good overall safety program during execution.
- Community relations as evidenced by efforts to minimize public inconvenience due to construction, safety precautions, to protect public lives and property, provision of observation areas, guided tours, or other means of improving the perception of trenchless technologies by clients and the public.
- Demonstrated awareness for the need to protect the environment during the project. This includes any special considerations given to particular environmental concerns raised during the course of the project.
- Unusual accomplishments and/or innovation under adverse conditions including, but not limited to age or condition of the facility, adverse weather, soil or other site conditions over which there is no control.
- Additional conditions such as exceptional efforts to maintain quality, control and, if value engineering is used, construction innovations as evidenced by time and/or money-saving techniques developed and/or successfully utilized.

