



NATIONAL WATER QUALITY MONITORING COUNCIL  
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## **2010 ELIZABETH JESTER FELLOWS AWARD Solicitation for Nominations**

The Council's Conference Awards Committee is soliciting nominations for the fifth biennial Elizabeth Jester Fellows Award. The award will be presented at the Seventh National Monitoring Conference in Denver, Colorado, April 26-29, 2010. The Elizabeth Jester Fellows Award was established in 2002 in tribute to and in memory of Elizabeth Fellows (1944-2000). The award recognizes and honors an individual who exemplifies the dedicated service and leadership Elizabeth Fellows provided in the field of water quality monitoring, and is presented to an individual at each National Monitoring Conference.

Based on the criteria outlined below, please submit your nominations using the [Nomination Form](#). Fax or e-mail the form to the 2010 Conference Awards Committee Chair, Gary Kohlhepp, by February 12, 2010 (fax: 517-373-9958, email: [kohlhepp@michigan.gov](mailto:kohlhepp@michigan.gov))

### **Elizabeth Jester Fellows Award Criteria**

The award will be presented to an individual who, by his or her actions, has provided outstanding achievement, exemplary service, and/or distinguished leadership at the local, state, tribal, interstate, and/or national levels in one or more of the following areas of natural resources management and environmental protection:

- Provided program leadership or technical insight to champion and support water quality aspects of natural resources management and environmental protection.
- Fostered effective collaboration in planning, executing and reporting water quality monitoring results.
- Stimulated significant improvements in monitoring that used comparable and scientifically defensible information aiding the interpretation and evaluation of water quality conditions.
- Documented significant watershed component interactions important to water quality.
- Promoted water information strategies that reduce uncertainty or lower the costs of monitoring.
- Advanced the standardization and practice of methods evaluation and validation and data comparability.
- Advanced the practices of data management and the public's access to water quality data.
- Provided leadership in developing a framework, network and/or forum for gathering and/or communicating water quality monitoring information and results.

## **Previous Award Recipients**

2002 – Emery Cleaves (Maryland Water Monitoring Council)

2004 – Dan Butler (Oklahoma Conservation Commission)

2006 – Eleanor Ely (*The Volunteer Monitor* Editor)

2008 – Tony Olsen (U.S. EPA – Corvallis)



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