

## Governor's Award Committee

Work Plan date: March 17, 2022

Co-Chairs: Len Kne  
Phil Nagel

### [Committee/workgroup Charter](#)

#### Accomplishments from 2021

- Reviewed one nomination packet for the Governor's Commendation (did not recommend advancing for an award)

#### Work Plan for 2022

##### Planned activities and deliverables:

- On request, review nominations for commendation
- Revise nomination process to provide feedback to applicants before the final commendation packet submission
- Develop promotional materials and outreach to solicit nominations for 2022
- Develop promotional materials to feature at the annual GIS/LIS Fall conference

##### Roles and responsibilities:

Name	Role
David Brandt	Represent metro counties in discussions
Len Kne	Represent educational institutions in discussions
Andra Mathews	Represent State agencies in discussions
Phil Nagel	Represent private industry in discussions
Cory Richter	Schedule and conduct meetings. Ensure notes are taken. Update team site with notes, recommendations and any changes to plan document.
Ryan Stovern	Represent greater Minnesota counties in discussions

**Resources:**

- MnGeo resource pages for past recipients of the Governor's Commendation Award and nomination criteria

**Committee/workgroup needs:**

- Teleconference capabilities
- Representative from non-profit sector
- Representative not currently serving on the GAC
- Web-based committee collaboration workspace (SharePoint, Google Docs type software)

**Dependencies and interrelationships:**

- Communicating with MnGeo staff to receive current year nominations and to submit committee recommendations by the designated date in order to award the commendation at the annual GIS/LIS Fall conference.
- The committee will also work with the Outreach Committee to promote awareness of the award to encourage future nominations and to celebrate past recipients.

**Risks:**

Members of the committee may have to withdraw from discussion of applications due to direct involvement with the nominated project, or because they would benefit from the project receiving the award (i.e., being a member of an organization that was part of the project).

**Additional Comments:**

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