

List of Nominees (11/16/2017)
Expert Panel Establishment Group

Nursery Capture and Reuse Management Practices

John Ellingsworth (nominated by L. Collins)

Owner/Operator

Forest View Nursery

Memberships: Delaware Nursery & Landscape Association

Experience Snapshot: Management of successful commercial nursery in Clayton, DE for nearly 50 years; supplying major projects (universities and parks); 300+ acres in production; supplier of native plants for wetland & uplands; widespread use of irrigation; successful container plants production;

Jim Owen (nominated by L. Collins)

Assoc. Professor of Horticulture & Extension Specialist

Virginia Tech

Education: Horticultural Science, Env. Science

Experience Snapshot: Research and Extension programs focused on: Enhanced management of resources in commercial nursery crop production to increase profitability while mitigating environmental impact; increase water and nutrient-use efficiency, manage agrichemical on-site effluent and offsite non-point source runoff; enhancing agricultural productivity and environmental sustainability; Developing high value horticulture and specialty crop products and systems; assuring that stakeholders are engaged in future-focused programs.

Andrew G. Ristvey (nominated by T. Steinhilber)

Extension Specialist, Wye Research and Education Center

University of Maryland

Education: Horticulture, Marine Ecology and Estuarine Science

Certifications and License: MD Nutrient Management Consultant, Pesticide Applicator

Experience Snapshot: Teaching and Research- Nutrient Management and Water Quality, Alternative Sustainable Crop Programming, Agricultural Water Resource Technology, Moisture-Sensor Irrigation, Green Roof and Urban Stormwater Issues, management of Run-off from container-grown ornamentals

Dana Rhodes (nominated by J. Whitcomb, F. Schneider)

Plant Protection Division, Bureau of Plant Industry

Plant Inspection Program Specialist

Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture

Education: Botany and Environmental studies

Experience Snapshot: 27 years of experience in the horticultural field; 10 with Dept of Ag with regulatory responsibilities; green industry as an interior/exterior landscaper, greenhouse grower, nursery/garden center owner and grower; quarantine pest issues, nursery/greenhouse certification programs, and inspections; National Plant Board on the Systems Approach to Nursery Certification (SANC) program providing experience in seeing several types of growing operations and their approach to production practices, including sanitation, water management, and pest management.

David Sample (nominated by T. Sexton)

Assoc. Professor and Extension Specialist, Integrated Urban Stormwater Program

Virginia Tech

Education: Civil & Environmental Engineering

Experience Snapshot: Principal Engineer and Practice Leader for Water Resources, District and City Engineer for various jurisdictions; design, monitoring, and performance assessment, cost and benefit analysis of BMPs; multiple awards and recognition for work on water resource management