

# Water System Operator Achievements & Accomplishments



In 2002, the Navajo PWSSP staff began awarding water system operators annually, for their special recognition and achievements in water system operations during each award banquet conferences.

Achievements are based on sanitary survey inspections, compliance with the Navajo Nation Safe Drinking Water Act (NNSDWA), water system compliance, operator certification, and monitoring and O&M. The PWSSP acknowledges the following past recognized operators:

**\* Denotes as added new category**

## **Best Maintained Water System — Reservation Wide**

- 2009 Hunters Point Boarding School—Hunters Point, AZ
- 2007 Toadlena Day School—Toadlena, NM
- 2006 Tonalea Day School—Tonalea, AZ
- 2005 Hunters Point Boarding School—Hunters Point, AZ
- 2004 Cove Day School (Robert Smart)—Cove, AZ
- 2004 Crystal Boarding School (Francis Smith)—Crystal, NM
- 2003 Monument Valley High School (Don Pilling)—Monument Valley, UT
- 2002 NTUA Chinle District (Shawn Yazzie)—Chinle, AZ

## **Most Improved Water System — Reservation Wide**

- 2009 Navajo National Monument—Shonto, AZ
- 2007 Tééh-In-Dééh Estates—Kayenta, AZ
- 2006
- 2005 Ramona Smith Water Users Group—Tohatchi, NM
- 2004 St. Michaels Indian School—St. Michaels, AZ
- 2003 Ramah Navajo Utility Authority—Ramah, NM
- 2003 Immanuel Mission—Sweetwater, AZ
- 2002 Navajo Department of Water Resources—Tuba City, AZ

## **Outstanding Dedication — Reservation Wide**

- 2009 Patti Sam ~ NTUA Shiprock District—Shiprock, NM
- 2007 Henry Clark ~ Teec Nos Pos Community School—Teec Nos Pos, AZ
- 2006 Ron Hardy ~ Navajo Department of Water Resources—Tuba City, AZ
- 2005 George Hartssock ~ Chinle Unified School District #24—Chinle, AZ
- 2004 Eddie Kee ~ NTUA Fort Defiance District—Fort Defiance, AZ
- 2003 Jerry Silago ~ NTUA Crownpoint District—Crownpoint, AZ
- 2002 Lou Antone, Sr. ~ BIA Eastern Agency—Crownpoint, AZ

## **Improved Water Operator — Reservation Wide\***

- 2009 Darrell Holiday ~ NTUA Chinle District—Chinle, AZ
- 2007 Moses Yessilith ~ NTUA Shiprock District—Shiprock, NM
- 2006 Keith Long ~ Toyei/Police Academy—Toyei, AZ

## **Recognition Award — Reservation Wide\***

- 2009 D'Armond Chee ~ NTUA Environmental Compliance & Laboratory Division—Fort Defiance, AZ
- 2009 Chester Whiterock ~ NTUA Tuba City District Office—Tuba City
- 2009 Dave Benallie ~ BIA Navajo Regional Office—Gallup, NM
- 2007 Brian Smith ~ U.S. EPA, Region IX—San Francisco, CA
- 2007 Lauren Lewis ~ Centers for Disease Control (CDC)—Atlanta, GA
- 2007 Sue Burnham ~ Nordhaus Law Firm—Albuquerque, NM
- 2006 Jean Romancito ~ BIA Navajo Regional Office-Division of Environmental, Cultural & Safety Management—Gallup, NM
- 2006 Richard LeMaster ~ NTUA Environmental Compliance & Laboratory Division—Fort Defiance, AZ