

**SIXTH BIENNIAL STATE OF THE ESTUARY CONFERENCE
OAKLAND, OCTOBER 21 - 23, 2003**

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
OUTSTANDING CCMP IMPLEMENTATION PROJECTS

The sixth biennial State of the Estuary Conference will be held at the Henry J. Kaiser Convention Center in Oakland on October 21 - 23, 2003. The theme of this year's conference is "The San Francisco Estuary: Changes and Challenges. The conference is sponsored by the San Francisco Estuary Project, CALFED Bay-Delta Authority, Friends of the San Francisco Estuary, Oakland Museum of California and many local, state and federal agencies, organizations and businesses. The conference will include invited technical presentations, science/policy discussions, examples of restoration projects, and two late afternoon poster session receptions.

Friends of the San Francisco Estuary is seeking nominations of outstanding projects that implement one or more actions in the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP), a blueprint for restoring and maintaining the chemical, physical and biological integrity of the Bay and Delta. This year marks the tenth anniversary of the CCMP's adoption, a milestone that will be celebrated at the conference. The CCMP contains 145 recommended actions in nine program areas: 1) Aquatic Resources; 2) Wildlife; 3) Wetlands; 4) Water Use; 5) Pollution Prevention and Reduction; 6) Waterway Modification; 7) Land Use; 8) Public Involvement and Education; and 9) Research and Monitoring. (Please refer to the CCMP for a complete list of the program actions. For a copy of the CCMP, call 510/622-2465.)

Nominations must be received by the Friends of the San Francisco Estuary by 5:00 PM on July 31, 2003. Projects will be ranked on the basis of the Criteria for Nominations and Award Considerations noted below. Final selection will be made by the Board of Directors of the Friends of the San Francisco Estuary. More than one nomination may be submitted. A maximum of ten projects will be selected for awards to be given at the conference. Projects will be notified in mid-September. (See page 2 for nomination instructions.)

I. CRITERIA FOR NOMINATIONS

1. The project must implement an action in the CCMP.
2. The project should be completed or show measurable results.
3. The project should avoid controversy, if possible.
4. The project should not have been mandated.
5. The project should be a significant accomplishment.

II. AWARD CONSIDERATIONS

1. Geographic distribution (different geographic locations in the Estuary)
2. Categorical distribution (different CCMP program areas)
3. Organizational distribution (non-profits, government, business, etc.)

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Conference Web site: http://www.abag.ca.gov/events/estuary_state

OUTSTANDING CCMP IMPLEMENTATION NOMINATIONS

NOMINATION SUBMITTAL FORMAT

Nominations should be no longer than 1-2 pages and should include the following information:

- 1) Name of project
- 2) Name of organization(s) implementing the CCMP action
- 3) Contact person with phone number and email address
- 4) Address of organization
- 5) Location and brief description of project
- 6) Significant accomplishments
- 7) CCMP program area and specific CCMP action(s) implemented