

Pamela E. Klatt Annual Award



NOMINEE'S INFORMATION

Nominee's Name: Patti Kroen

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CRITERIA FOR NOMINATION

The Pamela E. Klatt Annual Award is presented to an individual within the regional hydro industry who:

- Exemplifies the mission of NWAHA:

"NWAHA is dedicated to the promotion of the region's waterpower as clean, efficient renewable energy while protecting the fisheries and environmental quality which characterize our Northwest region;"
- Approaches each project with a strong commitment to the balance between resource protection and resource development;
- Demonstrates a true appreciation for the views and responsibilities of everyone involved;
- Demands the best work, always, from themselves and others; and
- Encourages others' professional development as mentor and colleague.

RECOMMENDATION

Summary of Nominee's career / actions exemplifying the criteria standards:

Type your response here or attach separate pages. Please limit your response to no more than two pages.

I nominate Patti Kroen to be the 2013 recipient of the Pamela E. Klatt Memorial Award for her service contributions to the northwest hydroelectric industry both through her work and involvement as a leader and participant in the industry associations.

Patti Kroen specializes in providing strategic collaboration, regulatory compliance, technical document preparation, public involvement, and facilitation services to public and private sector clients. She has almost 30 years of professional experience in state and federal regulatory compliance activities, focusing the last two decades on issues related to water including licensing/relicensing hydropower projects, and compliance with FERC, NEPA, CEQA, and the Clean Water Act working with utilities, Federal and State agencies, independent system operators and water resource agencies. She is well versed in FERC and for the past 10 years has been involved in integrating compliance activities for clients in the hydropower industry.

Hydropower Industry Service

Patti has served on the Board of Directors of the Northwest Hydroelectric Association for the past 16 years and served as the President for 2010-2012. In this capacity she has lead or participated in the development of the annual NWhA conference program which has progressively become more successful over the past decade.

Patti chairs the Small Hydro/Low Impact Hydropower Group for the Northwest Hydroelectric Association and organizes a fall workshop focused on small hydro every year in Bend, OR.

Other industry involvements include chairing sessions for HydroVision conferences and presenting on numerous panels at various industry conferences for many years.

Since 1984, she has served as Project Manager during the preparation of individual and joint NEPA/CEQA documents including Environmental Assessments, Environmental Impact Statements, and Environmental Impact Reports for a wide range of projects in the West. Patti has designed and implemented numerous public involvement programs, participated in and facilitated collaborative processes, and facilitated dispute resolutions and negotiations involving natural resource management and land use planning. For the past two decades she has been involved in projects requiring technical knowledge transfer between project teams and stakeholders.

Patti has an educational background in earth science and natural resource development. Her background, coupled with university teaching experience enables her to assist diverse stakeholders in understanding technical information for decision-making purposes while maintaining focus and direction. She served as both a community mediator and mediator coach/trainer for Yolo County, California. She has mediated numerous disputes referred by the County courts on issues ranging from business litigation involving natural resources to intra-group and individual conflicts.

Education:

Graduate Work/Quaternary Glacial Geomorphology and Soils/ 1982-4/University of Colorado, Boulder
BS/Physical Geography-Soils/ 1982/University of California, Davis
BS/Geology/1976/University of California, Los Angeles

RECOMMENDATION (CONTINUED)

Professional Societies/Affiliates:

President, Northwest Hydroelectric Association 2010-2012
Director, Board of Directors Northwest Hydroelectric Association 1997-present
Member, Association of Environmental Professionals

Having worked with Patti over the many years that we were on the NWEHA Board of Directors, I can unequivocally say that she embodies the characteristics for which the Pamela E. Klatt award was created to honor.