

# California SAF Awards Program

## Revised 2019



Award Nominations should be made by October 31 each year to the Awards Chair in order to be presented at the annual member Winter Meeting in January or February. Nominations will be reviewed with the Board for approval.

Award Categories	General Criteria	Recognition
Forestry Achievement	Contributions to the Society of American Foresters and broad contributions to the forestry profession. Criteria period is considered over several years.	Award to be given annually, subject to suitable nominations. Plaque given in recognition
CA SAF Volunteer Award	Contributions to the California State Society of American Foresters in recognition of leadership and effort to implement a specific project or program. Criteria period is generally 1 - 3 years that addresses a project at the State Society or Chapter level.	Award to be given annually, subject to suitable nominations. Plaque given in recognition
Mentor Award	Recognizes contributions of an individual to mentor students and young professionals that supports them in becoming an active member of SAF. 1) Serves as a formal mentor at state or national meetings, 2) Volunteers as a mentor outside of organized SAF activities, 3) Provides opportunities to get involved in forestry activities, 4) Supports “Welcome” activities, organizes ice breaker activities, introductions with other SAF members, and engages with Student Chapters at their meetings or activities. Criteria period considered would be one year to several years.	Award to be given subject to suitable nominations. Monetary award given. Amount to be determined at time of selection by the CA SAF Board.
CA SAF Outreach and Recruiter Award	Recognizes contributions that result in new members to CA SAF. Activities could include inviting young professionals to SAF activities, encourages greater participation in SAF of employees from government agencies, nonprofits, colleges/universities and private forestry and natural resources related companies. Criteria period is considered over several years.	Award to be given annually, subject to suitable nominations. Monetary award given. Amount to determined at time of selection by the CA SAF Board
Communications Award	Recognizes excellence in communicating positive aspects of forestry and forestry professionalism to public audiences. Activities could include speaking to groups at a local or regional level, writing OP-Eds in local, regional or state level publications, or communicating with elected officials.	A CA SAF member may self nominate or be nominated by another member. Nomination should provide examples that meet the criteria over a minimum of 1 year or up-to 5 years. Plaque given in recognition