



ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN WATER FORUM

17th Annual

“Bob Appel – Friend of the Arkansas” Award

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2022 “Bob Appel – Friend of the Arkansas” Award. The award is presented each year at the Arkansas River Basin Water Forum (Forum). The award is intended to honor an individual who has over the years demonstrated their commitment to improving the condition of the Arkansas River as it flows from its headwaters near Leadville to the Colorado state line.

Criteria: This award is meant to recognize someone who has helped to promote the best management practices in the usage of water in the Arkansas River basin. Their efforts may include contributions in the general areas of development, preservation, conservation and/or leadership. The ability to reach out to as many constituents as possible, cooperation, and consensus building, is an important aspect in the consideration of this award. Other considerations include, but are not limited to the nominee’s length of service in the area of water resources, the impact of their accomplishments, and their respect within the water community of the Arkansas River basin.

Nominations should include a thorough description of why the individual is being nominated as well as any testimonials or letters of recommendation. Nominations will be referred to an award selection committee comprised of past recipients of the award.

Nominations may be sent to the following:

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Nominations need to be received **no later than Friday, March 18, 2022, at 5:00 pm.** If you have any questions about the award or the nomination process, please email ARBWF1994@gmail.com.

Past “Bob Appel – Friend of the Arkansas” Award recipients are:

2005 - Mike Conlin	2011- “Bud” O’Hara	2017 – Gary Bostrom
2006 – Denzel Goodwin	2012 – Alan Hamel	2018 – Ken Baker
2007 – Paul Flack	2013 – Steve Witte	2019 – Jean Van Pelt
2008 – Reed Dils	2014 – Greg Policky	2020 – Ralph “Terry” Scanga
2009 – Carl Genova	2015 – Dr. Lorenz Sutherland	
2010 – Allen Ringle	2016 – Dr. Bernard Smith	

Our 26th annual Water Forum, “Risk and Resilience in the Arkansas River Basin,” will be held on April 28 – 29, 2022 at the Salida Steamplant. For more info: www.ARBWF.org.

Please forward this announcement to others in the Arkansas River Basin water community or feel free to share it your newsletters or mailings.

Thank you