



New Nomination Process for the 2026 CGSA/Rain Bird Environmental Achievement Award (EAA)

For 2026, the CGSA Board of Directors has introduced a new two-step nomination process for the CGSA/Rain Bird Environmental Achievement Award (EAA).

The new nomination process for the **CGSA / Rain Bird Environmental Achievement Award** invites a broader range of voices to help spotlight exceptional environmental leadership in golf course management. Nominations can now be submitted not only by CGSA members, but also by colleagues, employers, and industry partners who have witnessed a superintendent's environmental stewardship firsthand.

This expanded approach is designed to capture the full scope of environmental innovation happening across Canada—whether through a project, process, or long-term sustainability plan—and to ensure that those leading meaningful environmental change have the opportunity to be recognized by the people who know their work best.

Step One – Nomination *

The first step is the submission of a nomination. The information provided on the nomination form should give the judging panel an overview of the environmental initiative, innovation, or achievement being nominated.

Following the review of all nominations, selected nominees will be invited to advance to the second stage of the evaluation process.

Step One Deadline: September 30, 2026

*** For a copy of the Step One Nomination Form, please click [here](#). Or visit [website](#)**

Step Two – Nominee Submission

Nominees selected to advance will be notified by the CGSA that their nomination has been accepted for further consideration.

To assist the judging panel, each nominee will receive a Nominee Information Form to complete. Nominees will also be asked to provide additional information and supporting documentation that demonstrates the impact and significance of their environmental achievement.

Step Two Submission Deadline: November 30, 2026

If you have any questions regarding the nomination process, please contact Kathryn Wood, CMP, Chief Executive Officer, or Lori Micucci, Manager, Member Services.