

Nomination instructions for two ASM conservation awards

The Aldo Leopold Award is awarded to a well-established individual who has made a lasting contribution to the conservation of mammals and their habitats.

The William T. Hornaday Award is awarded to a current undergraduate or graduate student who has made a significant contribution as a student to the conservation of mammals and their habitats.

The recipient of each award will have contributed substantially to (1) the conservation of 1 or more mammalian species, subspecies, or populations, (2) the conservation of mammalian assemblages and communities, and/or (3) advancing the field of conservation biology through focal research on mammals. Those contributing to the conservation of land and/or marine mammals are eligible for consideration. We interpret “contribution” broadly to include (1) scientific research or political activism that has resulted in the preservation of an imperiled species; (2) development of protective management recommendations; (3) acquisition of new knowledge regarding the conservation status or causes for decline of mammalian species or populations; (4) the protection of significant mammalian habitat; or (5) promotion of the conservation of mammals through public education.

All persons are invited to submit nominations for these awards. For each award, the nomination packet should include:

1. A brief (2 pages maximum) narrative that introduces and describes the conservation activities of the nominee;
2. A list of relevant journal articles, government and NGO reports, newspaper clippings, and other materials that chronicle and corroborate the conservation-related activities of the nominee;
3. Contact information for the nominator and nominee;
4. Supporting material as follows:

Aldo Leopold Award -- A letter of nomination for the Leopold Award and a curriculum vita should be sent to before **10 February** to Joseph Cook (tucojoe@gmail.com). If the nominated candidate is judged competitive by the Conservation Awards Committee, the nominator will be asked to send a complete nomination packet (nominating letter, curriculum vita, 3 pieces of corroborative literature that most succinctly and directly describe the nominee’s contributions to mammalian conservation, and up to 4 additional letters of support incorporated into a single PDF). The nominator should send the PDF to Joseph Cook by **1 March**.

William T. Hornaday Award -- Letters of recommendation from 2 individuals familiar with the nominee’s conservation activities. One of these letters must be from the student’s research advisor. Completed nomination packets should be sent to Joseph A. Cook (tucojoe@gmail.com). The deadline for submission of completed nominations is **1 March**.

Recipients of these awards will be announced during the awards ceremony at the annual ASM meeting.