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## **Special Districts Association of Oregon (SDAO) Honors Special Districts and Individuals**

Two Oregon special districts and four individuals were recognized on Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup> at the 2020 SDAO Awards Banquet in Seaside, Oregon. Each year, the SDAO Awards Program honors member districts for accomplishments which allow them to provide better service to the public and gives recognition to individuals who have greatly contributed to the success of their special district.

Nominations were collected throughout the year and reviewed by the SDAO Awards Committee. The winners were selected using a scoring matrix. The 2020 award categories and recipients include:

### **Outstanding Special District Program Award**

*Special districts are recognized for innovative projects and programs, outstanding safety, public information, public involvement in a district decision-making process, and outstanding achievement.*

- **6-25 Employees:** Sisters-Camp Sherman Rural Fire Protection District
- **26 or More Employees:** Multnomah County Drainage District #1

### **Outstanding Special District Service Award**

*This category recognizes an individual board member, manager, staff member, or volunteer who has contributed substantially to the improvement and successful operation of his or her district.*

- **Board Member:** Rudy Fenk, Tillamook Soil and Water Conservation District
- **Manager:** Melissa Georgesen, Molalla Aquatic District
- **Employee:** Suzanne DeLorenzo, Clackamas River Water
- **Volunteer:** Sean McGonigal, Banks Fire District #13

The spring issue of the *SDAO News and Risk Management Review* will cover each award recipient and their achievements in greater detail. Videos of each award recipient are available at [www.sdao.com/S4/Programs/Awards.aspx](http://www.sdao.com/S4/Programs/Awards.aspx)

Special Districts Association of Oregon represents over 900 special districts in the state of Oregon assisting them in providing cost-effective and efficient public services to the people of Oregon. For more information, please visit [www.sdao.com](http://www.sdao.com).

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