



NSW Mining Industry & Suppliers Awards 2019

**Recognising the people and the businesses
that make NSW mining strong**

Awards overview and entry conditions

The NSW Mining Industry & Suppliers Awards

NSW has some of the world's leading mining operations producing high quality coal, copper, gold and other commodities for local and global markets. And NSW is home to leading businesses that partner with our miners to deliver safe, efficient and sustainable mining.

These awards recognise the people and businesses whose hard work and achievements contribute to a strong industry that generates an important economic return to NSW.

Awards will be given in four categories:

1. Outstanding Supplier
2. Mining Operation of the Year
3. Young Achiever
4. Outstanding Contribution to NSW mining

The NSW Mining Industry & Suppliers Awards are a great opportunity to promote yourself, your colleagues or your business and its achievements.

Online entry

All award entries will be made online through the Awards Force website.

Key Dates

Monday 7 January 2019

Award entries open

Friday 8 March 2019

Award entries close

Monday 29 April 2019

Finalists announced

Late June 2019 (date TBC)

Awards ceremony, Sydney

The benefits of entering the NSW Mining Industry & Suppliers Awards

- Raise the profile of your business, promote your success and enhance your credibility and business position with government and the mining community.
- Reflect on your achievements and congratulate your team on its success. Join us to recognise finalists and winners with industry colleagues and government representatives at our annual dinner at NSW Parliament in late-June 2019.
- Finalists and winners will enjoy promotion in media, online and in NSW Minerals Council newsletters to government and industry stakeholders.

How to enter the NSW Mining Industry & Suppliers Awards

- Complete the online entry form - link on the NSW Minerals Council website.

You will receive an email notification from us via Awards Force when your entry has been completed.

- You must provide sufficient information to soundly demonstrate that all judging criteria has been met so there can be a fair comparison in the judging process.

Additional information can be included, such as media coverage, charts or images, and will be considered alongside your written responses.

- Submit your entry no later than Friday 8 March 2019.

Judging

- Award entries will be assessed by our judging panel.
- All personal and commercially sensitive information will be treated in confidence.
- All decisions of the judging panel are final.
- An award may not be presented in a category if the circumstances warrant it.

Eligibility & important notes

- These awards are open to individuals working in the NSW minerals industry as well as mining and exploration companies and businesses supplying our mines.
- The Mining Operation of the Year Award is only open to businesses that are members of the NSW Minerals Council. Entrants in the Young Achiever and Outstanding Contribution to Mining awards should ideally work for a company that is a member of the NSW Minerals Council.
- Entrants must be willing to participate in awards-related publicity organised by the NSW Minerals Council and agree to be contacted by media during the entry and awards process.
- All entrants are requested to attend or send a representative to the NSW Mining Industry & Suppliers Annual Dinner in Sydney in late-June 2019, where winners will be announced.

Award categories and judging criteria

1. Outstanding Supplier

This award recognises businesses that demonstrate commercial excellence, leadership and innovation in working with the NSW minerals industry.

Eligible businesses should be able to demonstrate a strong and mutually beneficial working relationship with clients in the NSW minerals industry.

The product or service should add value to a mining operation and may relate to an ongoing relationship or a one-off project.

Eligible entries may include:

- Business achievements that support growth or efficiency for clients or that result in growth in a supplier's commercial outcomes.
- Innovative services or design that fosters productivity, profitability or performance.
- Expansion from NSW into other markets or expansion into NSW from other markets.
- Leadership and a positive contribution to the local community, environment or economy.

Overview (10%, max 150 words)

- Name of company, an overview of your business and its relationship with the NSW minerals industry.

Planning (25%, max 300 words)

- Explain your strategies to achieve sustainable growth or improve efficiency and performance.
- How did you collaborate with mining clients developing and implementing these strategies?

Performance and improvement (40%, max 500 words)

- Describe your business performance over the past 12 - 24 months.
- Describe the specific case study you are sighting and the problem you were trying to solve.
- What measurable results did you achieve in mine operation performance?
- How did your business add value to the performance of your mining clients?
- What challenges did you face during the implementation of the project and how were they overcome?
- What have you learned over the past 12 months? How will you build on those lessons and explain whether they can be shared across the industry?

Your contribution (25%, max 250 words)

- Tell us about any special partnerships you've contributed to in the community or in the local business community.

- How has your business or employees shown leadership or excellence in business or the community?

2. Mining Operation of the Year

This award recognises the outstanding performance of a mine in NSW.

Eligible entries must be a member company of the NSW Minerals Council and may include:

- Business improvements that support production growth, revenue or efficiency.
- Innovation that fosters productivity, profitability or performance, including safety.
- A project that contributes to a measurable improvement in the operation's performance or reputation in the community.
- Outstanding leadership and a positive contribution to the local community, the environment or local economy.

Overview (10%, max 150 words)

- Name of company and an overview of the mine and the business.

Challenges (25%, max 300 words)

- Detail the key challenges your operation has faced over the past 12 - 24 months.
- Explain your strategies to address these challenges and improve performance.
- Tell us how you worked as a team to address these challenges, including working with employees or suppliers.

Performance and improvement (40%, max 500 words)

- Describe the business performance of the mining operation over the past 12 - 24 months.
- What measurable results improvements did you achieve in the operation's performance or reputation?
- What separates this mining operation or business unit from others in NSW or around Australia?
- What have you learned over the past 12 months? How will you build on those lessons?
- Explain any innovative new projects, initiatives or processes that have been implemented and explain the impact they have had on the business, the workforce or the community.

Your contribution (25%, max 250 words)

- Tell us about any special partnerships you've contributed to in the community or local business.
- Tell us about how your business or employees have shown leadership in business or the community.
- Tell us how you are working to minimise your impacts and maximise the benefits of your operation.

3. Young Achiever

This award recognises an inspirational young professional aged 18-35 years who is building a successful career in mining.

Overview (10%, max 150 words)

- Name of entrant, date of birth, company and job title.
- Overview of your current role and responsibilities and an overview of your business.
- And tell us a bit about yourself, outside of work.

Your education and development (30%, max 300 words)

- What are your skills and qualifications?
- What is your employment background?
- What have you done to help towards your career advancement and personal development?

Your achievements (30%, max 300 words)

- What are your career achievements over the past 2 - 3 years?
- Give us an overview of your goals for the next five years. How are you working toward these goals?
- Give us an example of how you have contributed to a strong mining operation and / or a respected NSW mining industry.

Challenges and opportunities (30%, max 300 words)

- Tell us about the biggest challenge that you've faced in your career to date and how you've dealt with it.
- Who or what inspires you in your career?
- How do you plan to contribute to a strong and respected mining business and NSW mining industry in the future?

4. Outstanding Contribution to Mining

This award recognises the positive contribution made to mining by an individual that has demonstrated outstanding leadership, innovation or performance over a sustained period.

Overview (10%, max 150 words)

- Name of entrant / nominee, date of birth, company and job title.
- Overview of their current role and responsibilities and an overview of your business.
- And tell us a bit about yourself / them, outside of work.

Achievements (20%, max 200 words)

- What are their career achievements over the past 5 - 7 years?
- Give us an overview of business and career-related goals for the next five years and tell us how the nominated person is working toward these goals?

Performance (40%, max 400 words)

- Tell us about a specific project that the nominated person has contributed to and the measurable impact of their effort for the business operations, performance or reputation.
- Tell us about the biggest challenge that the nominated person has faced in mining and how they dealt with it.

Leadership (30%, max 300 words)

- What are the qualities the nominated person has that make them a leader?
- How do they demonstrate leadership in your business or in the community?
- How do they plan to contribute to a strong and respected NSW mining industry in the future?

Privacy statement

The collection of the applicant's personal information is necessary for the purposes of the NSW Mining Industry & Suppliers Awards.

Personal information will be used by the NSW Minerals Council to assess nominations and to contact applicants.

All award entries become and remain the property of the NSW Minerals Council.

The NSW Minerals Council may use the information collected from award nominations in promotional materials, including in the media. By submitting a nomination you agree to publication of information in the nomination.

Any information marked as personal or commercial-in-confidence will not be published.

Contact details

All enquiries should be directed to events@nswmining.com.au or (02) 9274 1400.