2010 IHS Green Champion Awards

The Good Neighbor Award

Awarded to: LT Megan Arndt

LT Arndt assisted the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in assessing and prioritizing community environmental sustainability needs, and establishing a formal "Green Team". LT Arndt also secured funding to develop a community composting program.

The Environmental Stewardship Award

Awarded to: IHS Environmental Audit Internal Resource Team (IRT)

After two years of design and pilot testing, the IHS Environmental Audit IRT began implementing the agency-wide environmental audit process in FY2010. This process provides each IHS installation manager with a snap-shot view of regulatory compliance in 20 environmental topics, ranging from hazardous waste to air emissions to historic and cultural resources. The audit process has been designed to integrate with the Agency-wide EMS that is currently being implemented.

The Water Resource Management Award

Award to: CAPT Marc Fleetwood

The San Xavier Xeriscape Project replaced the existing high water use turf with drip irrigation, native plants, and decorative rock. After one year the campus saved nearly 1.3 million gallons of water. The project also reduced maintenance costs.