

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CITATION



Jane Lubchenco

The Distinguished Service Citation is given to an ecologist for long and distinguished service to the Society, to the larger scientific community, or to the larger purpose of application of ecology in the public welfare. The recipient of this year's award, Jane Lubchenco, is superbly qualified for the award on all of these counts. Jane has served the Society in many capacities over the years, in-

cluding service as a visionary President of ESA, and as Vice President, Chair of the Awards Committee, and on the editorial boards of society journals including *Ecological Applications*, *Conservation Ecology*, and *Ecological Issues*. Her most visible effort for the Society, and in making the Society more visible in the larger world of public policy, was in shepherding the Sustainable Biosphere Initiative from its inception to its acceptance and establishment. This effort had such a great impact that it alone would easily qualify her for the Distinguished Service Citation. Pulling the SBI together required extraordinary leadership qualities, and was exceptionally difficult to produce. Jane Lubchenco was able to achieve a synthesis and consensus regarding research priorities and goals for our discipline, after listening to a large and diverse array of inputs from many different Society members representing many different interests. Producing this document has greatly added to the stature of the ESA and of the science of ecology in the larger arena of public policy in Washington and in the international sphere.

Dr. Lubchenco's scientific accomplishments have also received the highest accolades and awards, including recognition as a MacArthur fel-

low and election to membership in the National Academy of Sciences. She holds an endowed chair at Oregon State University and is currently President of AAAS. In the latter capacity, she has worked effectively to make the discipline of ecology more visible in the pages of the journal *Science*, and has focused attention on ecology and on the environment within that prestigious umbrella organization of American science. She is the recipient of many other awards as well, including being chosen Oregon Scientist of the Year and Pew Scholar in Conservation and the Environment. She is, in addition, a dedicated teacher, and has been given the Outstanding Teacher Award at her institution, as well as training a large number of highly successful graduate students. Dr. Lubchenco authored two ISI Science Citation Classic papers, and was awarded the ESA's George Mercer Award (with Bruce Menge). She has continued to pursue an active and well-funded research career, with a focus on community ecology of the rocky intertidal zone.

Perhaps her greatest service to the field of ecology has been her stellar successes in representing our discipline to the general public, and in the application of ecology to the service of environmental and policy issues. She has served in an advisory capac-

ity to institutions as diverse as the United Nations, the White House, Congress, and the National Academy of Sciences, and to the creators of films and videos produced by groups ranging from PBS to the National Geographic Society to IMAX. She has been an exceptional model for women in science, a tireless advocate for the environment, and a leader of the highest rank in representing the science of ecology. In nominating Dr. Lubchenco for this award, Professor Harold Mooney, Paul S. Achilles Pro-

fessor of Biology at Stanford University and former President of ESA, wrote,

There is, without exaggeration, no one more qualified than Jane Lubchenco for the ESA Distinguished Service Citation. She has given enormously of her time and energy to foster the goals of the Society. If there was ever a person who has made a difference, it is Jane.

As this year's recipient of the Distinguished Service Citation, Jane Lubchenco has truly added new luster to this award.

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