Hugo B. Fischer Award



California Water and Environmental Modeling Forum
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In honor of Dr. Fischer's pioneering work on San Francisco Bay-Delta hydrodynamics and water quality modeling

- Conceived and endowed by Lyle Hoag
 - Retired Executive Director of CUWA
 - Co-founder of CWEMF

Hugo B. Fischer

- B.S. (1958), M.S. (1963) & Ph.D. (1966) from California Institute of Technology
- Professor of Civil Engineering at U.C. Berkeley until 1983
- World-renowned authority in
 - Salt water intrusion
 - Water pollution
 - Heat dispersion in waterways
 - Mixing of rivers & oceans

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- The innovative development, refinement or application of a computer model, or
- Significant furtherance of the effective use of models in open forums for planning or regulatory functions

Past Fischer Award Winners

- 1995 Dr. Alan Jassby (UCD); Dr. Richard Denton (CCWD)
- 1996 Dr. Ralph Cheng (USGS)
- 1997 Dr. Greg Gartrell (CCWD); Dr. Francis Chung (DWR)
- 1999 Walter Bourez III (SWRI); Jack Rowell (USBR)
- 2000 Dwight Russell (DWR); Kamyar Guivetchi (DWR)
- 2001 Armin Munevar (DWR)
- 2002 Dr. Gerald Orlob (UCD)
- 2003 Dr. Emin Dogrul (DWR)
- 2004 Tom Heinzer (USBR)
- 2006 Dr. Carl Chen (Systech); Dr. Paul Hutton (MWDSC)
- 2007 Dr. John DeGeorge (RMA)
- 2008 Dr. Jay Lund (UCD); Dr. Richard Howitt (UCD)
- 2009 Dr. Peter Smith (USGS)
- 2011 Dr. Russell Brown (ICF)
- 2012 Nancy Parker (USBR)

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Dr. Nigel Quinn
Berkeley National Laboratory
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- B.S. (Honors) Agricultural Engineering,
 Cranfield University, England, 1977
- M.S. Agricultural and Civil Engineering, Iowa State University, Ames, 1981
- Ph.D. Water Resources Systems Engineering, Cornell University, 1987
- Berkeley National Lab Staff Scientist & USBR Division of Planning Water Resources Engineer/Cooperator, 1990-Present

Dr. Nigel Quinn Significant Contributions

- Contributed to a greater understanding of hydrology and salinity in the lower San Joaquin Valley through broad contributions in real time data management, decision support tool development, and hydrology and water quality forecasting.
- Leadership role in developing the WADE (economics), WETMANSIM (hydrology and water quality), and WESTSIM (surface-groundwater) models.

Dr. Nigel Quinn

In recognition of your broad and significant contributions in real time data management, decision support tool development, and hydrology and water quality forecasting. Your leadership role in developing the Westside Agricultural Drainage Economics Model, the Wetland Management Simulator Model and the Westside Surface Groundwater Simulation Model has led to greater understanding of hydrology and salinity in the lower San Joaquin Valley.

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