Carl N. Becker Stewardship Award

The Carl N. Becker Stewardship Award recognizes excellence and achievement in managing reserves, parks, wilderness and other protected areas. It is given in memory of Carl N. Becker, former Natural Areas Association president and a conservation leader. Award recipients may be individuals or groups who have been instrumental in finding solutions for problems related to natural areas protection.

This award recognizes individuals or groups who have:

- Made a significant contribution to finding solutions for problems related to identification, protection or management of natural areas
- Developed or improved strategies that directly contributed to resolution of issues related to natural areas
- Contributed to major advances in the protection of natural areas

From 2001 to 2004, the Becker Award was simply known as the Stewardship Award. It was renamed the Carl N. Becker Award in 2005.