



Far North Queensland GIS Group Inc

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# 2024 Geospatial Excellence Awards

Over the years FunGIS has seen some outstanding geospatial projects and products showcased at the annual FunGIS Conference, and in 2024 the FunGIS Exec has established the inaugural FunGIS Awards in recognition of these demonstrations of geospatial excellence.

## Award Categories

### Radical Researcher – Geospatial Game Changer Award

Recognising projects that have made a significant contribution to research or evolving new knowledge through the application of geospatial approaches to solving real world problems.

### Grass Roots and Green – Award for Environmental Impact

Recognising projects or products that have helped to resolve an environmental issue through contemporary use of geospatial technologies and methodologies.

### Far North and Far More Awesome!

### Award for Geospatial Innovation in the Tropics

Recognising new and innovative use of geospatial knowledge and technologies to address local issues in north Queensland.

## Important Dates

Awards open for nominations: Tuesday 25 June 2024

Award nominations close: 5pm Friday 26 July 2024

Awards Presentation Night : Thursday 15 August 2024

## Who can apply

Nominations are invited from geospatial professionals and organisations based in Australia, whose nominated project/product was completed in the last 12 months.

# FunGIS 2024 Geospatial Excellence Awards Nomination Guidelines

## There is no cost to nominate for these Awards

### Why take part?

- ◇ Public acknowledgement of the hard work that has been done by yourself, your team, your organisation – FunGIS Awards nominations will be showcased on the Awards page of the FunGIS website.
- ◇ Public acknowledgement of geospatial innovation in the north Queensland context.
- ◇ Promotion of the geospatial industry's relevance and capability to the wider community.

### Judging

The judging panel is comprised of 3 long term members of the FunGIS geospatial community. Judges will individually score each nomination based on the criteria listed below, scores will be averaged and the highest scoring submission deemed the winner. Judges will recuse themselves from judging nominations where there is a conflict of interest.

Judges' decisions are final and no correspondence will be exchanged after the winners are announced on 15 August 2024.

### Submission of nomination

All Awards entries must be submitted through FunGIS's online portal at <https://www.fungis.org/awards>

- ◇ If your submission requires permission of clients or other stakeholders, please ensure permission is obtained, in writing, before you commence the submission process.
- ◇ By entering a submission you give FunGIS permission to share finalist and winner updates on the FunGIS website and across social media.
- ◇ In submitting a nomination you are agreeing to attend the 2024 FunGIS Awards and Conference Dinner on Thursday 15 August 2024, at your own cost.
- ◇ In the nomination portal you will be asked to provide a short summary that can be used as the basis for the citation that will be read out at the Awards Dinner, and included in social media and FunGIS website posts should your nomination win.
- ◇ You will also be asked to upload supporting documentation, images and videos (if you have them) to demonstrate the visual aspects of your project/product.

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## Awards Criteria

### Project Description

The project description section will contain information about:

- ◇ The timeframe of the project
- ◇ The relative size of the project – how many FTEs? What size budget?
- ◇ A brief statement about the complexity of the project and the funding source
- ◇ A description of how/why the project fits with the selected category:
  - Radical Researcher – Geospatial Game Changer
  - Grass Roots and Green – Award for Environmental Impact
  - Far North and Far More Awesome! - Award for geospatial Innovation in the Tropics
- ◇ A description of the methodology, and how the initiative has been validated and reported on
- ◇ A description of how the project showcases emerging or developing technologies and/or ideas as they are applied to the selected category