Editor Nominations Sought for Environmental Quality, Plant Registration Journals

ASA, CSSA, and SSSA are seeking nominations for two journal Editor positions. The first is for the *Journal of Environmental Quality* (JEQ), a peer-reviewed international journal that is jointly published by ASA, CSSA, and SSSA. Its articles cover various aspects of anthropogenic impacts on the environment, including terrestrial, atmospheric, and aquatic systems. The second position is for the world’s premier journal solely devoted to the registration of plant cultivars and germplasm, the *Journal of Plant Registrations* (JPR), which is published by CSSA.

Both positions have a three-year term of service to begin 1 Jan. 2014, and it is hoped that the chosen candidates will be able to attend the 2013 Annual Meetings, which will be held 3–6 November in Tampa, FL, allowing for a timely and smooth transition into the editor positions.

The position is voluntary, and candidates are expected to be visionary, as our publications are experiencing rapid change in science, resources, processes, format, and delivery. In addition, there is fierce competition for authors and readers. Prior editorial experience with ASA, CSSA, or SSSA publications or those having similar subject matter/structure is expected.

The JEQ position is appointed by the three Society presidents upon confirmation by the respective boards of directors, and the JPR position is appointed by the CSSA president upon confirmation by the CSSA board of directors. Both appointments are for a three-year term, with eligibility for reappointment to a second three-year term. The position carries a great deal of responsibility as well as personal satisfaction.

Interested persons may nominate themselves or be nominated by an active member of ASA, CSSA, or SSSA. Candidates should email (i) a vita including a list of previous editorial experience and (ii) a vision statement for the journal (not to exceed one page) by 30 Sept. 2013 to Ann Edahl, managing editor (aedahl@sciencesocieties.org) for JEQ and to E. Charles Brummer, CSSA editor-in-chief (ecbrummer@noble.org) for JPR.

**Position Duties**

Duties of the Editors include, but are not limited to:

- Providing general leadership for the journal.
- Chairing the journal’s editorial board.
- Considering questions of editorial practices that promote the dissemination of exceptionally high quality scientific knowledge and the uniformity of format, style, and procedures in conjunction with the publishing Society’s Editor-in-Chief, its Board of Directors, Executive Committee, and as needed with its Budget and Finance Committee.

- Maintaining a highly qualified editorial board of associate editors.
- Serving as a member of the Editorial Affairs, Policies, and Practices Committee.
- Serving as a liaison to other societies and individuals to ensure the international and multidisciplinary scope of the journal’s content and subscription base.

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