

# Iowa Environmental Excellence Awards Announced

The 2009 Iowa Environmental Excellence awards will be awarded by Governor Culver on June 28<sup>th</sup> at Honey Creek State Park. Eleven Iowa organizations and businesses will be recognized from across the state.

The Iowa Environmental Awards are the premiere environmental award in the state, recognizing leadership and innovation to protect Iowa's natural resources.

Governor Culver said, "The efforts of these organizations serve as a model in providing clean air, water, and land for all Iowans. I congratulate them for their outstanding work to protect and enhance our environment."

Recipients include the 3M Company's Pollution Prevention Pays program, instituted over 30 years ago, which has saved the company over \$39 million. The statewide Iowa Pheasants Forever is honored for habitat restoration totaling more than \$2.7 million statewide over 109 Iowa Chapters.

Other recipients include Hy-Capacity of Humboldt, Iowa State University, Russell and Beth Winterhof, Polaris in Spirit Lake, Brooks National Golf Club in Okoboji, Washington County Environmental Department, Des Moines Water Works, Monsanto in Muscatine, and the North Fayette Community School District.

Additional information can be found at [www.iowadnr.gov/other/ee/index.html](http://www.iowadnr.gov/other/ee/index.html).