

Ellis B. Cowling Lifetime Achievement Award – Rick Haeuber

It is with great admiration that we present Rick Haeuber for the Ellis B. Cowling Lifetime Achievement Award. Throughout his distinguished career, Rick has been a champion for long-term monitoring networks, recognizing the importance of the data to protect public health and the environment. His steadfast support of the National Atmospheric Deposition Program (NADP) has enhanced its scientific value, ensuring it remains a critical resource for researchers, policymakers, and environmental agencies.

Rick led the establishment of both the Critical Loads of Atmospheric Deposition (CLAD) and Mercury in the Environment and Links to Deposition (MELD) Science Committees. His leadership has been instrumental in advancing the science of air quality, atmospheric deposition, and critical loads, working tirelessly to foster collaboration among global researchers. By bringing together scientists from across the world, Rick has elevated the impact of NADP, ensuring that it remains at the forefront of national and international efforts to understand and mitigate the impacts of atmospheric pollution. Rick's leadership led to the use of critical loads in national assessments, regulations, and Federal land management. His ability to unite diverse perspectives and build consensus has enriched the field and expanded the global understanding of environmental thresholds, especially in the context of critical loads science.

His leadership in integrating mercury research into the broader atmospheric science community has also been transformative. Rick's efforts have helped to establish frameworks that guide regulatory policy and environmental protection efforts, ensuring that scientific insights are translated into action. He fostered a connection between NADP and other national and international organizations to advance global mercury and critical loads science and monitoring capacity, increasing external involvement in the program.

While Rick played a pivotal role in NADP by advocating for the program and advancing critical loads and mercury science, he also provided young scientists with opportunities to grow in their field which will leave a lasting impact on the networks. Despite challenges and obstacles, Rick always showed compassion, fostering a lifetime of friends that will always be grateful for his many insights and perspectives. Rick Haeuber's lifetime dedication and his commitment to fostering collaboration make him a deserving candidate for the Ellis B. Cowling Lifetime Achievement Award. His legacy will continue to influence and inspire future generations of scientists and environmental advocates.

In recognition of his extraordinary contributions and lifetime of achievement, we are honored to present Rick Haeuber this prestigious award.