

John R. McGuire Award Presentation to family of Brett Beasley

On October 23, 2017, NAFSR Chairman Jim Caswell and R-2 Regional Forester Brian Ferebee presented a posthumous John R. McGuire Award to the family of Brett Beasley in recognition of Brett's outstanding accomplishments in management of the recreation program on the Salida Ranger District of the Pike San Isabel NF and Cimarron Comanche NG. Brett had worked on the District for over twenty years before he lost his life in a backcountry skiing accident in early 2017. Brett worked both on and off the job within the community and built numerous partnerships that resulted in an outpouring of support for the recreation program and Brett's leadership. He set a high mark for community and collaborative service.

Nearly a hundred people gathered at a conference center in Salida to recognize Brett's work. Accepting the award were Brett's wife, Cari, and his two daughters, Brooke and Bari.



L to R: RF Ferebee, Brooke Beasley, Cari Beasley, Bari Beasley, NAFSR Chair Jim Caswell, and Board Member Tom Thompson

The John R. McGuire award is presented to current Forest Service employee(s) or units that exhibit exemplary commitment and performance in accomplishing the mission of the outfit. Nominations for this award can be made by any NAFSR member or any unit leader in the agency.