

## **Roy DeLotelle, DeLotelle and Guthrie, Inc.**

Roy DeLotelle's name is synonymous with central Florida red-cockaded woodpecker monitoring, research and conservation. One cannot talk about central Florida red-cockaded woodpeckers without discussing Roy's work. As a wildlife consultant he has been working with central Florida land management planning and development issues for over 20 years. He has authored numerous, comprehensive, long-term red-cockaded woodpecker management and monitoring plans for many central Florida properties, private and state owned, harboring red-cockaded woodpeckers during this time. It is not a stretch to suggest that Roy's efforts over the years have in large part been responsible for saving what remains of red-cockaded woodpeckers in this part of Florida. In addition to his consulting work Roy has also been conducting red-cockaded woodpecker research for many years, publishing his findings in peer-reviewed journals and symposium proceedings. Roy sets the standards for what all of us would hope environmental consultants are all about. He ensures, within the legal and societal limitations that we all live by, that our human impacts on the habitat and individuals of listed species, especially red-cockaded woodpeckers, are minimized on a project-by-project basis. That is, although his clients are just that, his clients, red-cockaded woodpeckers are also his clients and always a top priority in his project negotiations. His success is a function of his credibility, which comes with his years of experience in both the management and research realms of red-cockaded woodpecker conservation. For your significant contributions to the conservation of, and our knowledge about, central Florida red-cockaded woodpeckers we are proud to present you this award. Thank you Roy.