For their tenth Len and Sandy Sargent Stewardship Award, the Cinnabar Foundation selected Anne Hedges, program director and lead lobbyist for the Montana Environmental Information Center (MEIC).

Since joining MEIC in 1993, Anne’s lobbying efforts have been exceptional. Most recently, she has led MEIC’s analysis of and subsequent effort to require the best available technology for pollution control at the proposed Highwood Plant, a coal-fired power facility planned near Great Falls. This multi-year effort has involved a host of complex issues ranging from county zoning, municipal power purchases, cutting edge carbon emission assessments, permit reviews, federal funding options, and other actions some of which required freedom of informational appeals. Through it all, Anne has competently, consistently, and persistently carried the torch for public involvement.

Anne’s recognition for outstanding environmental achievement included a $5,000 Special Award grant to the Montana Environmental Information Center.