National Association of County Engineers
“The Voice of County Road Officials”

What is NACE?

- Nonprofit, non-partisan professional association
- Representing over 1,900 members since 1956.
- Roads - about 1.74 million miles by counties.
- Bridges - counties also own 231,000 bridges and operate 1/3 of the nation’s transit systems.

NACE – More Than Engineers, County Road Professionals Titles:
- County Engineer
- Highway Superintendent
- Road & Bridge Superintendent
- Parish Engineer
- Road Supervisor
- Commissioner of Public Works
- Highway Administrator
- Transportation Director
- Road Operations Manager
- Public Works Director
- Highway Commissioner
- Engineer-Manager Road Commission
- Road Master
- Road Administrator

NACE Officers 2014-2015
NACE Board of Directors

NACE Prime Objectives:

- To advance county engineering and management by providing a forum for exchange of ideas and information aimed at improving service to the public.
- To foster and stimulate the growth of individual state organizations of county engineers and county road officials.
- To improve relations and the spirit of cooperation among county engineers and other agencies.
- To monitor national legislation affecting county transportation/public works departments and through NACo, provide NACE’s legislative opinions.

Regions & State Affiliates
(31 State Affiliates Shown in Green)

NACE 100% States

15 100% states (red):
- AL, AZ, CA, IL, IA,
- MI, MN, ND, NJ, NY,
- ND, OH, OR, WA, WI
Potential Georgia Affiliate

- 2014 Inaugural Transportation Professionals SUMMIT
- Georgia Municipal Association
- Association of County Commissioners of Georgia
- Governor’s Office of Highway Safety
- Georgia Association of Local Transportation Professionals (GALTP)?

Conferences

*Delivering best practices and the latest technology at national and regional meetings.*

- General sessions and technical sessions on issues important to you.
- Acquire information to optimize your county’s resources.
- Exhibit show – latest & greatest.

Networking

Meeting people you can count on and having a little fun.

Conference Scenes
Advocacy

Representing county engineers and professional road managers nationally.

- Local Roads Matter! Campaign Launched
- Legislative Priorities - NACE and NACo
- Testimony before Congress
- Visits on the Hill and Legislative Fly-ins
- Information and Alerts for individual call to action
- Works with other groups such as the Local Officials for Transportation (LOT) coalition as well as the Roadway Infrastructure Safety Coalition (RISC)

Hill Visits

NACE Website

NACE Officers Testify Before Congress
NACE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

Streamlining
Funding
Safety

STREAMLINING

• Small, Low Risk Projects
• Less than $5M
• Identified in 23 USC 771.117 (Categorical Exclusions)
• Self Certification

GAO 14-113

FEDERAL AID HIGHWAYS

Federal Highway Administration Could Further Mitigate Locally Administered Project Risks

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PICTURE IS WORTH 1,000 WORDS

FUNDING

• Long Term Bill
• Separate Funding Pool for Structurally Deficient Bridges
• Maintain Off-System Set-Aside for Bridges

NACE Ohio State Director Testifies Before Congress

David P. Brand P.E., P.S. County Engineer Madison County, OH testifies before the Senate Environment & Public Works Committee on S. 1876, the Clean Water Restoration Act of 2007 (April 9, 2008).

NACE Annual Conferences

NACE Leadership & FHWA Administrator Victor Mendez
Staying Up-to-Date

Communicating vital information, ideas, and available resources.

- E-News Updates
- Monthly newsletters - NACE News
- NACE Website [www.countyengineers.org](http://www.countyengineers.org)

Research & Information

Supplying specific answers to specific questions.

- Research of special subject areas such as bridge standards, best practices, consultant selection, capital programming, road benchmarking, and a multitude of other subjects.
- The NACE list service provides an easy venue to ask your colleagues about how they “solved” issues you face.

Technical Assistance and Training

Exploring the best way to deploy technologies and information.

- The NACE list service provides an easy venue to ask your colleagues about how they “solved” issues you face.
- Full catalog of training publications available in print, on CD, and on the members only section of website.
- Local & Tribal Technical Assistance Program (LTAP/TTAP) centers in every state to promote expanded and state-of-the-art training.
- Other Partners (AASHTO, ATSSA, FHWA, Forest Service, NCPP, NACo) and NACE Corporate members.

National Partnerships
Professionalism

2012 - 2014 Accomplishments

- Successfully influenced the passage of MAP-21
- Along with NACo, responsible for maintaining the 15% set aside for off-system bridges
- Worked directly with FHWA Administrator Mendez for a LPA initiative in EDC2
- Working to implement a Toward Zero Deaths vision for Counties

MAP-21

- Off-System Bridge Program Maintained (STP)
- Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)
  - Doubles available safety funds
- Performance Management – establishes national performance goals for Federal highway programs
- Federal Lands Access Program
  - $250,000,000 each year for FY2013 and FY2014
EDC3 - LPA Initiative

- "Stakeholder Committee" comprised of FHWA, STA and LPA representatives to ensure dialogs of understanding are created, to ensure appropriate training is provided, and to review and refine project development and delivery processes.

% Fatalities on Rural Roads (FARS 2011)

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40 – 50%  51 – 69%  70-99%

SAFETY

- Require States to “coordinate” with Locals on SHSPs
- Allocate funding based on fatalities and serious injuries
- Establish TZD Grants

Top Twenty States (TRIP Report 2014) (www.tripnet.org)
NACE Safety “Connections”

- NACE Affiliates & State Safety Champions
- NACE Safety Committee
- NACo
- LTAPs
- APWA
- EDC3 LPA Stakeholder Partnering
  - NACE, APWA, DOT, FHWA Division

Toward Zero Deaths (TZD)

- Member of the TZD Steering Committee
- Work with Counties to adopt a TZD Vision
- Implementation program for Counties
- Provide the list of successful strategies for TZD

TZD Implementation

- Formal Adoption
- Establishment of Inter-Departmental and/or Inter-Agency work group (and others)
- Participation in SHSPs
- Review and consideration of all identified strategies (high impact, time frame, etc)
- Commitment to data collection and analysis
- Development of Local Safety Improvement Plan
- Continuing Education

Key Safety Focus Areas

- Safer drivers and passengers
- Safer infrastructure
- Safer vehicles
- Safer vulnerable users
- Enhanced emergency medical services (EMS)
- Improved safety management and data processes
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