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LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE REGISTRATION DEADLINE EXTENDED TO MAY 19

The advance registration deadline for the CSAC Legislative Conference, held June 2-3 in Sacramento, has been extended until Wednesday, May 19. After this date, registration is done on-site only. During these difficult times, it is vital for county supervisors and leaders to learn the latest updates on crucial issues. And CSAC's Legislative Conference is packed with information county government leaders will need to make the best decisions for their counties and residents. For more information on the Legislative Conference and to register, [click here](#). The conference's host hotel, the Hyatt Regency, has reduced its room rates, so visit the [CSAC Web site](#), scroll down to Hotel Accommodations, then click on that link to make your reservation.

ROLL OUT YOUR COUNTY'S BEST PROGRAMS – ENTER THE CSAC CHALLENGE AWARDS

The Call for Entries for the 2010 CSAC Challenge Awards is now available in both electronic and print format. Entries were mailed in mid-April to counties, and are also available online by [clicking here](#). New this year – information can be entered directly into the online entry form. Or, you may print the online form and enter that way. If you need a hard copy of the Call for Entries brochure, e-mail David Liebler, Director of Public Affairs and Member Services, at dliebler@counties.org. **Deadline for entries is June 11, 2010.** So get set to roll out your county's best programs and enter the Challenge Awards!

UPCOMING INSTITUTE COURSES IN JUNE

The CSAC Institute for Excellence in County Government is offering classes of interest to county supervisors, executives and others in June. Limited space is available for "Realignment 101: How Did We Get It? Where Did it Go?" - held after the CSAC Legislative Conference on June 3 and 4. Later in the month on June 17, "Public Engagement: Involving the Community in Decision Making" is being offered. Both sessions will be presented in Sacramento. For more information and to register, visit the Institute [Web site](#).

AROUND THE STATE

CALIFORNIA GAINS ANOTHER LEADER AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL

Congratulations to Phil Demery, Sonoma County Director of the Department of Transportation and Public Works, who was sworn in as president of the National Association of County Engineers (NACE) in late April. He joins Sonoma County Supervisor Valerie Brown as a president of a national association; Valerie is the current president of the National Association of Counties (NACo). Having two national presidents concurrently presents a unique opportunity for California to influence federal policy-making that affects counties. Governor Schwarzenegger noted Phil's accomplishment in a press release where he congratulated Phil on a "much-deserved presidency." CSAC agrees wholeheartedly!

AROUND NACO

REGISTER FOR NACO ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN RENO/WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA, IN JULY

California county supervisors and leaders are encouraged to register for the NACo Annual Conference in nearby Reno/Washoe County, Nevada, on July 16-20 at the Reno/Sparks Convention Center. To register, [click here](#). Former Clinton Labor Secretary Robert Reich and 9/11 World Trade Center Tower 2 survivor Joe Dittmar are scheduled speakers.

NACO COUNTY FORUM ON THE GREEN ECONOMY

Join NACo in Cook County on June 17-18 to learn how your county can capitalize on the emerging green economy. The County Forum on the Green Economy will explore the county role in economic and workforce development through energy conservation and efficiency, local food systems, and sustainable community design and development. The registration fee is \$100, which includes hotel accommodations for NACo members. Registration deadline is tomorrow, May 14. To access registration materials and a draft agenda, visit www.naco.org/greenforum.