



# National Association of County Engineers

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“The Voice of County Road Officials”  
Minnesota County Engineers Association  
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  - Public Works Directors
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  - Highway Department CAO's
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# Member States

## North East

Indiana  
**Michigan – 100%**  
New Jersey  
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Ohio

## South East

**Alabama – 100%**  
Florida  
Kentucky  
Maryland  
Mississippi  
Tennessee  
Georgia

## North Central

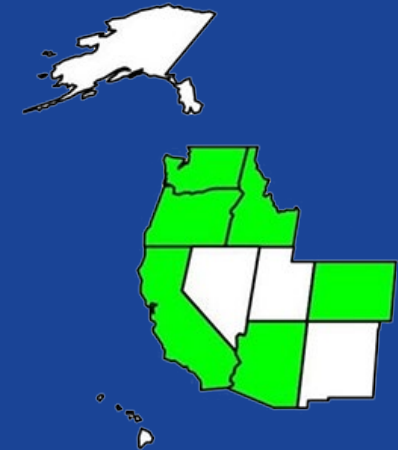
**Illinois – 100%**  
**Minnesota – 100%**  
Montana  
No. Dakota  
**So. Dakota – 100%**  
**Wisconsin – 100%**  
Wyoming

## South Central

**Iowa – 100%**  
Kansas  
Louisiana  
Missouri  
Nebraska  
Oklahoma  
Texas

## Western

Arizona  
**California – 100%**  
Colorado  
Idaho  
Oregon  
**Washington – 100%**  
Utah



# North Central Region – State Directors

**Minnesota – Jodi Teich – Stearns County**

South Dakota – Dirk Rogers

Illinois – Tom Klasner

Wisconsin – Jon Johnson

Montana – Adam Smith

Wyoming – Brian Edwards



# NACE COMMITTEES

- Emergency Preparedness
- Pavement Preservation
- Safety & Technology
- Structures and Environment
- Unpaved Roads
  
- Awards
- Constitution & Bylaws
- Corporate Services
- Legislative
- Membership





# Advocacy

Representing county engineers and professional road managers nationally.

- NACE Legislative Priorities
- Influencing Policy makers and key stakeholders
- Testimony before Congress
- Visits on Capitol Hill and legislative fly-ins
- Regular communications with legislators and agencies concerning NACE priorities and proposed legislation
- Participation in the NACo Committee (Transportation; Environment, Energy & Land Use) and Resolutions Process



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# NACE Legislative Priorities

- Permit and Approval Process Streamlining
- Increased Federal Funding for Locals
- Highway Trust Fund Solvency
- Direct Funding for Locals
- Streamlined Grant Application Process
- Safety



# 2023 NACE Fly-In

February 9, 2023

- USDOT (Office of the Secretary)
- House T&I (Majority)
- White House
- Member Offices



# 2024 NACE Events

- February 7-9, 2024
  - Fly-In
  - Adjacent to NACO Leg
- April 15-18
  - Annual Conference
  - Palm Springs, CA



## 5 Reasons to Attend



### All ARE INVITED

County Engineers  
Road Supervisors / Administrators  
Public Works / Transportation Directors  
Highway Commissioners / Superintendents  
Operations & Maintenance Professionals.

### Don't miss out!

1

#### See the latest Innovative Technologies

Exhibitors will feature innovative solutions customized specifically for county infrastructure projects. Meet one-on-one with companies to discover answers to your on-the-job challenges and find the tools you need to succeed.

2

#### Share ideas with your peers

You know your solutions, but how are your peers handling those same issues? Meet with hundreds of road and bridge officials to exchange ideas plus have some fun! You'll have plenty of opportunities to grow your professional network.

3

#### Earn your PDHs

For your PE continuing education requirements, many states recognize NACE's Professional Development Hours. After the meeting, you can download a certificate documenting your hours earned in the specific technical areas.

4

#### Advance your transportation knowledge

With a variety of sessions, you'll find topics that exceed your expectations. Expand your knowledge all in one place!

5

#### See NACE in action

See NACE in action! The Annual Business Meeting and Awards Banquet gives members access to NACE leadership. Network with NACE members and learn all the ways NACE is working for you! Plus welcome your new NACE officers into their 2024-2025 terms.

# NACE Award Nominations

- Rural Engineer
  - Rich Sanders - Polk
- Urban Engineer
  - Jodi Teich - Stearns
- Program Manager
  - Steve Stroschein – Crow Wing
- David P. Brand Safety
  - Joe Gustafson - Washington



# NACE – Staying Connected



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