

What is NACE?

The National Association of County Engineers is a nonprofit, non-partisan professional association in our 7th decade, representing nearly 2,000 county engineers, road managers, and related professionals in the US and Canada.

In the US, local roads account for about 75% of our highways and roads, or 2.93 million miles. Counties manage 1.74 million miles of those roads while cities and townships account for another 1.19 million miles. Counties also own 231,000 bridges and operate one-third of the transit systems.

Who We Represent ...

- County Engineers
- Highway Superintendents
- Road Masters
- Parish Engineers
- Road Supervisors
- Highway Administrators
- Transportation Directors
- Public Works Directors
- Road Operations Managers
- Other County Road Officials.



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Ten Reasons to Join



We can't just sit in our offices. Through NACE we get out and interact with these other counties who have worked through our similar problems. NACE is a great resource for learning.

— Josh Harvill, PE
Assistant County Engineer
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1 Have a Voice in Washington

NACE is instrumental in getting the “county road” view into issues such as the transportation bill reauthorization and many regulatory issues, including bridge standards, wetlands, traffic control standards and permitting. We'll help set up meetings for you to advocate with your Congressmen on Capitol Hill on your important issues.

In partnering with the National Association of Counties (NACo), NACE was able to preserve the off-system bridge program and enact streamlining measures in MAP-21. NACE also worked with FHWA to establish an LPA Initiative as part of Every Day Counts (EDC).

2 Network with Your Peers

Sharing information and interacting with other county engineers and road professionals is invaluable. NACE provides networking opportunities at our national and state affiliate conferences and via participation on our committees and list-serve exchanges.

3 Continue Your Education

Our Technical & Management Conference features the latest road best practices and state-of-the-art technology and provides Professional Development Hours (PDHs). And by supporting LPA

State Coordinators and state affiliate meetings, we help county engineers and officials maximize their resources.

4 Find Local Technical Training

NACE works closely with the 58 Local & Tribal Technical Assistance Program (LTAP/TTAP) centers in every state to promote expanded and advanced training for county professional road managers and workers.

5 Get the News You Can Use

NACE News and E-News Updates are two publications that keep you informed on a regular basis. They feature the latest developments in Washington, DC, and around the country, providing valuable resource links and references.

6 Surf Our Website

Visit www.countyengineers.org for news and information about NACE, our over 30 state affiliates and our partner transportation organizations. You'll find a full catalog of training and technical publications, as well as updates on Federal legislation and regulations.

7 Obtain Invaluable Resources

NACE resources help save your most valuable resource – your time. Our research on special subject areas includes bridge standards, best practices, consultant selection, capital programming and road maintenance to name a few.

8 Build on Partnerships

NACE actively collaborates with national organizations and agencies to provide training, education, outreach, joint conference sponsorships, forums and summits. Our partnerships exist with FHWA, APWA, AASHTO, Army Corps of Engineers, ATSSA, ARTBA, ASHE, National Center for Pavement Preservation, and the National LTAP Association.

9 Connect with an Affiliate

NACE has more than 30 affiliates with which you can exchange information and stay connected. Most have local 1-3 day meetings.

10 Advance Your Professionalism

NACE advances the professionalism of county road officials by promoting the adherence to ethical standards in performance of public sector duties and responsibilities. We're nationally recognized and frequently called upon to articulate views of our profession.

NACE's value is for anyone working to manage their network of roads. I've testified on behalf of NACE before national commissions and Congressional hearings. NACE gives us information and documents to effectively advocate to our state legislatures and Federal representatives.

— Susan Miller, PE
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