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| 1 | No | | In Tulare County we don't call it public works, it is called Transportation. The Transportation Department is part of a larger agency called Resource Management Agency (RMA). A registration is not required for the Agency Director's position. the requirement is a four year degree in the related field with 5 years of managerial experience. We don't have the position of the Road Commissioner either. That position was replaced with the Director of Transportation position, no engineering license required. |
| 2 | No | | Calaveras County no longer requires the Director to be a registered professional Engineer. We have a separate position at the county for the County Surveyor. The change to the Surveyor was made about 15 years ago, and the change to a non-licensed Director was done in conformance with the Streets and Highways Code last year. This allows the County to recruit for a wider range of candidates for Director. |
| 3 | No | | Contra Costa just changed the dual license requirement to just a CE license to accommodate those who receive their registration after 1983. |
| 4 | No | | Bachelors Degree in related field |
| 5 | No | change being processed, not finalized. | registered civil engineer |
| 6 | No | | No licensing requirement exists. |
| 7 | No | | Must have registration in California as a Professional Civil Engineer. |
| 8 | No | | Requires registration as a Civil Engineer....also states that PWD may serve as County Surveyor |

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| 9 | No | | It is preferable if they can recruit a Civil with the LS license but it is difficult to find an experienced Director with both licenses. |
| 10 | No | | Our minimum qualifications include Registration: Possession of valid certificate of registration as a Civil Engineer issued by the California State Board of Registration for Civil and Professional Engineers. Experience: Six (6) years full-time or its equivalent of civil engineering experience in planning, design, construction or maintenance of public works facilities, which included three (3) years of supervisory or management experience. Possession of a Valid California Motor Vehicle Operators License. |
| 11 | No | At Yuba County, we still have a County Surveyor position separate from the P.W. Director | 4-year degree, Licensed Civil Eng., 7 years experience |
| 12 | No | The current Public Works Director is pre-1982 and can practice land surveying. The Director acts as the County Surveyor. | Currently the Director position requires a CE license and no LS. The problem of requiring an LS to be Surveyor will have to be addressed upon my retirement. Currently, the plan is to retain me part time to act as County Surveyor. |
| 13 | No | | Must be a Registered Civil Engineer but not a requirement to be a Licensed Land Surveyor |
| 14 | No | | |
| 15 | No | | The director shall hold a current license as a civil engineer in the State of California. |
| 16 | No | | Registered Civil Engineer. However, the PWD is also the County Surveyor, which requires registration. So if the PWD wasn't a PLS, there would be a problem. Some codes would have to be adjusted. As it stands, the PWD and the DPWD are both PE/PLS, and both in their 40's, so this isn't going to be a problem anytime soon. |

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| 17 | No | | BS degree, no registration required |
| 18 | No | | Registered CE in the State |
| 19 | No | WE have a what the state refers to as a comprehensive agency and our organization now has a County Engineer who is the licensed civil engineer and we have a county surveyor who is the licensed surveyor. | bachelors degree as a minimum, and specific extensive work experience in more then one of the areas covered in the comprehensive agency. |
| 20 | No | | None. |
| 21 | No | | Registered civil engineer, the capacity to learn patience without becoming exasperated, and the ability to work 70 to 80 hours per week. |
| 22 | No | | License in Civil Engineering only |
| 23 | No | | No license (PE or LS) is required. |
| 24 | No | | Licensed P.E. in state of California |
| 25 | No | The County of Santa Clara has no PW Director per se. Typical County Engineer functions are fragmented among various county agencies such as the Roads & Airports Dept., Facilities & Fleet Dept., and the Planning Dept. There is a separate water district and transit district as well. | The Roads & Airports director is required to be a registered professional engineer. |

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| 26 | No | | Licensed Civil Engineer with 5 years exp. etc |
| 1 | Yes | Answer is actually in between. County ordinance is currently being rewritten to change this to civil engineer only, as I currently am director with only civil engineer registration, we have an "acting" county surveyor until the ordinance is rewritten to create that as a separate position. | |
| 2 | Yes | | |
| 3 | Yes | | |
| 4 | Yes | However, he can be registered only as an RCE al long as there is a Deputy LS on staff | |

Total Responses: 30

Total No 26 87%

Total Yes 4 13%

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