

128th Annual Meeting/Fall Conference November 18, 2022|10:15 am – 11:45 am Adventure Room, Adventure Tower Disneyland Hotel, 1150 Magic Way, Anaheim, California

10:15 am **Call to Order** (Balbas)

- 1. **Approval of Minutes** (Kokkas) August 19, 2022- *Attachment One - Action Item*
- 2. **Correspondence** (Balbas)
- 3. **CLODS Report** (CLODS)
- 4. **NACE Report** (Machado)
- 5. **CSAC Report** (CSAC Staff)
- 6. **Regional Directors Reports**
- 7. Treasurer's Report (Johnson) Attachment Two Action Item
- 8. **Committee Reports**:
 - a) Administrative
 - b) Flood Control and Water Resources
 - c) Infrastructure and Development
 - d) Resource Recovery and Waste Management
 - e) Surveyor
 - f) Transportation
 - g) Fellowship
 - h) Oversight
 - i) Scholarship

9. Unfinished Business

a) CEAC Legislative Platform Update (Neuburger) - Attachment Three

10. New Business

- a) Confirm name change of Land Use Policy Committee to Infrastructure and Development Policy Committee in CEAC Policy and Legislative Priorities and Guidelines (Neuburger) - Action Item
- b) ARTICLE III Dues and Assessments Update Approval of three year, 10% annual dues increase proposal and direct Treasurer to build the 2023 CEAC Proposed Budget unless paused by future Boards (Dashiell) *Attachment Four Action Item*

11. Life Membership

a) None

12. Announcements

a) None

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Scheduled Conferences

- a) CEAC Spring Conference, Universal City, Los Angeles County, March 8-10, 2023
- b) NACE Annual Conference, Orange Beach, Baldwin County, Alabama, April 16-20, 2023
- c) CEAC Policy Conference, date TBD, 2023
- d) CSAC Annual Meeting/Fall Conference, Alameda County, November 13-17, 2023

CEAC Board of Directors Meeting Schedule

- a) CEAC Spring Conference, Los Angeles County, March 8-10, 2023
- b) CEAC Policy Conference, date TBD, 2023
- c) CSAC Annual Meeting/Fall Conference, Alameda County, November 13-17, 2023

11:45 am **Adjourn**

November 18, 2022|10:15 am - 11:45 am

Meeting Roster Voting Board Members: Officers & Regional Directors

Officer	Office	County/Organization
Brian Balbas	President	Contra Costa
Panos Kokkas	Vice President	Trinity
	Secretary	
Howard Dashiell	Immediate Past President	Mendocino
George Johnson	Treasurer	Riverside (Retired)
Mehdi Madjd-Sadjadi	Treasurer-Emeritus	Marin (Retired)
Mike Penrose	Parliamentarian	Sacramento (Retired)
Patrick DeChellis	Newsletter Editor	Los Angeles (Retired)
Matt Machado	NACE Representative	Santa Cruz
Dave Gravenkamp	Historian	Siskiyou (Retired)

Regional-Directors Region **County** Bay Area Johannes-Hoevertsz Sonoma Kent Edler Central Coast Santa Cruz Northern California **Bob Bronkall** Humboldt Matt Randall Placer Sacramento Mother Lode San Joaquin Valley David Leamon Stanislaus Southern California Nardy Khan Orange

Non-Voting Meeting: Committee Chairs and CSAC Staff

Committee Chairs	Committee	County
Josh Pack	Administrative	Butte
Pattie McNamee	Fellowship	Contra Costa (Retired)
Mark Strudley	Flood Control/Water Resources	Santa Cruz
Trisha Tillotson	Infrastructure and Development	Nevada
Howard Dashiell	Oversight	Mendocino
Coby Skye	Resource Recovery & Waste Mgmt	. Los Angeles
Alicia Meyer	Scholarship	Mendocino
Aleks Jevremovic	Surveyor	Santa Barbara
Dave Fleisch	Transportation	Ventura

CSAC/CEAC Staff	Title	Agency/County
Catherine Freeman	Senior Legislative Representative	CSAC
Mark Neuburger	Legislative Representative	CSAC
Ada Waelder	Legislative Representative	CSAC
Kristina Gallagher	Legislative Analyst	CSAC
Merrin Gerety	CEAC Program Manager	CSAC/CEAC

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

Attachment One	Meeting Minutes, August 19, 2022
Attachment Two	Treasurer's Report
Attachment Three	CEAC Legislative Platform Update
Attachment Four	ARTICLE III Dues and Assessments Update





17th Annual Conference Capitol Event Center, 1020 11th Street, 2nd Floor Sacramento, CA 95814 Friday, August 19, 2022 | 9:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

9:00 am **Call to Order** (Dashiell)

Officers present: 9 of 10: Regional Directors: 5 of 6. Quorum present.

1. **Approval of Minutes** (Kokkas)

CEAC spring conference, March 25, 2022 – *Attachment 1. Action Item* – **Motion** to approve minutes; Sadjadi, 2nd Machado; **Approved**

2. **Correspondence** (Dashiell)

- a) Accolades to Tom Mattson, Humboldt County, who was published in California Local Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), THE TRAFFIC SAFETY NAVIGATOR SUMMER 2022, *Attachment 2*
- b) An invitation letter was sent to NACE President, Chris Champion, who will be attending the fall conference.

3. **CLODS Report** (CLODS)

Mehdi Sadjadi - CLODS appreciate the support of CEAC; and CLODS heard that CEAC has some financial deficits, so CLODS attending the dinner decided to send checks to the CEAC Treasurer to cover a substantial part of the dinner. This year we had the highest number of CLODS attending the annual dinner that we have ever had. Sadjadi said he appreciated receiving a letter from the president inviting the CLODS to the Fall Conference.

4. **NACE Report** (Machado)

Successful NACE Conference in Buffalo, N.Y in April. NACE made \$150,000, which was one of the most successful conferences for NACE. NACE has made some staff changes. Staci Morgan will now be part time and only work on conferences. NACE will be hiring a new communications coordinator and contracting out the accounting portion of the business as Connie Radoulovitch is retiring. NACE is attempting to resurrect the western region conference in Laughlin NV in 2023. NACE is preparing for the NACE annual meeting in Alabama, April 16-20, 2023. Please plan to attend as a large contingency from California will help promote the 2024 NACE annual conference hosted by California in Palm Springs. Machado will be attending the NACE meeting in Omaha, November 1, 2022.

5. **CSAC Report** (CSAC Staff)

Mark Neuburger introduced himself as the new legislative representative for Housing, Land Use and Transportation (HLT). Mark also introduced Kristina Gallagher; the new legislative analyst for HLT. Mark reported that we are in the last two weeks of the legislative session. Legislators must take final action on bills by August 31, 2022 when the legislative session ends. The bills then go to the governor for final action at which time CSAC staff begins advocacy efforts for bills that may cause major problems, or bills CSAC wants signed, by internally identifying what the bills mean, and then moving forward to get the governor's attention as appropriate.

6. **Regional Directors Reports**

Johannes Hoevertsz - Bay Area. Haven't met. Scheduled to meet in September. Kent Edler - Central Coast. Met 8/12/22 in San Luis Obispo at a new animal shelter constructed by the county. Discussed Caltrans' maintenance issues and procurement issues associated with SB 1383; hiring difficulties; and toured an anaerobic digester for green waste.

Bob Bronkall - Northern California. Humboldt County is working hard to resurrect the bedroll conference. Previous efforts to hold the conference in Lake County were unsuccessful. We are considering the campus in Humboldt County and will be sending a questionnaire to the membership about potential interest in attending. Matt Randall - Sacramento/Mother Lode. Met online this summer. Moderately attended, not by all counties, but FHWA and Caltrans attended and gave updates, including a conversation about Sacramento County's regional project. We plan to meet this fall in person.

David Leamon - San Joaquin. Met in Kern in April; Stanislaus in May; skipped Mariposa in June; July in Merced; and going to Madera 8/26/22. The region tries to meet in person once a month January to October.

Nardy Khan – Southern California. Not present. Per: Dashiell, "they have been holding virtual meetings." Dashiell attended one of these meetings.

"The Newsletter Editor" (DeChellis) wanted a moment to remind the regional directors about submitting their respective regional reports for the newsletter, and to adhere to the report rotation and send him the next report by the end of September. If not, he will send a "buffalo" to help, DeChellis also stressed to send pictures vs. text.

7. **Treasurer's Report**: (Johnson) *Attachment 3 - Action Item*

The CEAC budget for 2022 increased county member dues by \$100,000 to cover anticipated costs for the year. In the final approved budget, the total amount of member dues were estimated at \$260,000. Not all counties have paid their dues. Currently, there are ten counties that have not paid their 2022 dues. Several members have personal relationships or know the county engineer and will reach out to them for payment. The total uncollected member dues are \$25,075. A review of the treasurer's report, actuals to date, and the year-end projections, shows an estimated general fund shortfall of \$35,745. The shortfall will require a draw on reserves, thus reducing the CEAC general fund balance from \$112,285 at the beginning of 2022 to \$76,540 by year end.

Johnson reported that based on his conversations with Merrin Gerety and Mike Crump, historically, conferences don't generate revenue for the organization; they break even. Most of CEAC's revenue comes from dues. The recent dues increase was based on the (lower) California CPI, while CEAC's contract with CSAC is based on the (higher) San Francisco Bay area CPI which is approximately 7%. CEAC needs to assure that the association is structurally and fiscally balanced, and there are other ways to accomplish this. Johnson's recommendation: CEAC president to create a small working group to explore potential options to address the deficit and present to the board in 2022 for final approval.

Action Item: President to create a small working group that includes the four officers, NACE representative, treasurer, and an affiliate member. The group will

also look at an affiliate due's adjustment. Dashiell proposed an off-agenda motion to create the working group to evaluate and make recommendations for adjustments to the dues/bylaws, which will be brought to the board for approval via a special zoom meeting prior to the fall conference. The final proposal approved by the board will be brought to the general membership during the fall conference. **Motion** Machado, 2nd Balbas; **Approved**.

8. **Committee Reports: -**

- a) Administrative Pack. Good turnout. Topics included employee attraction, and retention, and what local agencies are facing post-pandemic. Good discussion with many people expressing an interest in the subject. Future meetings will include items of interest that are not covered by other committees.
- b) Flood Control and Water Resources Strudley. Unable to attend. Leamon reported they had several guests that shared great information, example: ArcStorm 2. The group talked about floods in a drought, and to be ready for one. Freeman gave an update about presentations planned for the upcoming fall conference.
- c) Infrastructure and Development (I&D) Tillotson. Virtual report. Great turnout. The committee recommended supporting the amendment of CEAC's policy and legislative priorities (as outlined in the text presented in the committee) in response to Orange County's proposal to extend the design build procurement process past the sunset date of January 1, 2025, and Los Angeles' county's legislative proposal to amend the public code to allow the use of "progressive design build." The committee received multiple suggestions for upcoming meeting topics as there is a lot of legislation coming that will impact development. *Action Item:* Request CEAC board approval to amend CEAC's policy and legislative priorities. The recommendation for the proposed statewide legislation is part of the CEAC legislative priorities to be recommended to CSAC. **Motion** to approve, Randall, 2nd Machado; **Approved**.
- d) Resource Recovery and Waste Management Skye. Not present. Hoevertsz reported that the meeting was well attended, and the discussion focused on SB 1383 and recycling of organics. The committee also talked about plastics and what public works will be doing in the next year before the 2024 deadline.
- e) Surveyor Jevremovic. Not present. Bronkall reported that the primary topic focused on the online forum and that it is working very well for the surveyor committee. It was noted that some surveyors do not have the forum notifications set up correctly. The committee will be working to set up all the surveyors correctly to ensure that they receive notifications.
- f) Transportation Fleisch. Not present. Dashiell noted that all board members attended the meeting and there was no need for additional comments.
- g) Fellowship McNamee. Nice get together. Well attended with good food. The committee raised \$1,300 for the CEAC scholarship fund. McNamee will send a check to CEAC's treasurer. There will be a hospitality suite at the fall conference in November, but the suite must close by 10 pm (per the hotel).
- h) Oversight Dashiell. Will get the budget at Oversight set at 3rd Friday at 1:30 pm.
- i) Scholarship DeLeon. Mentioned scholarships have been a little challenging due to Covid but received several applications this year, and it feels like things are back to normal. After several years, DeLeon will be stepping down as chair. DeLeon recommended Alicia Myers, current scholarship committee member, and Deputy Director, Mendocino County to be the new chair. DeLeon will stay on to assist as needed. DeLeon recommended that the regional directors look for

applicants in their respective regions.

9. **Unfinished Business** (Dashiell - Freeman)

a) Fall Conference - *virtual option will be cost prohibitive*. Freeman mentioned conference costs are high and we may need to consolidate and adjust the Friday schedule. *Action Item:* Freeman will present several options and respective costs (that include all functions we currently have) to the officers to consider. Once the options are presented, the officers will select the best one to meet CEAC's budget and schedule within the next few weeks.

10. **New Business**

- a) Public Works Secretarial Seminar (PWSS) PWSS is being planned for 2023. PWSS has their own budget. The last seminar was in Ventura County.
- b) Provide funding for one CSAC/CEAC staff to attend 2023 NACE Conference. Cost will be rolled into the CEAC budget.
- c) President request direction NACE 2024 planning budget. Carry over what was budgeted for 2021 and inflate it slightly for NACE 2024.

11. 2023 CEAC Priorities and Legislative Proposals – *Action Items*

- a) Updates to 2021-22 CEAC Policy and Legislative Priorities Attachment 4
- b) Updates to 2021-22 CEAC Legislative and Administrative Policy Guidelines *Attachment 5*. Approved during committee reports; no further action needed.
- c) Progressive Design-Build Legislative Proposal *Attachment 6*. Approved during committee reports; no further action needed.
- d) Extend existing Design-Build Authority Policy Proposal- *Attachment 7.* Approved during committee reports; no further action needed.
- e) Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Fee Revenue Fund Shift *Attachment 8.* On hold until further analysis is complete as recommended in the transportation committee meeting. No future action needed.

12. Life Membership

None

13. Announcements

a) None

Scheduled conferences

- a) CSAC Fall Conference/Annual Meeting, Orange County, November 14-18, 2022
- b) CEAC Spring Conference, Universal City, Los Angeles County, March 8-10, 2023

CEAC Board of Directors meeting schedule

- a) Special meeting September or early October, 2022.
- b) CSAC Fall Conference/Annual Meeting, Orange County, November 18, 2022
- c) CEAC Spring Conference, Los Angeles County, March 10, 2023
- Adjourn In Memory of Mike Carlson, Contra Costa County. Brian Balbas presented a summary about Mike Carlson. Mike Carlson was bigger than life and he left an impression throughout the organization. A celebration of life is planned for September or October in Walnut Creek. Balbas will share that information when available. Motion Balbas, 2nd Sadjadi; Approved

Meeting Roster Voting Board Members: Officers & Regional Directors

Officer

Howard Dashiell **P**Brian Balbas **P**Panos Kokkas **P**Jim Porter **P**George Johnson **P**Mehdi Madid-Sadjadi **P**

Mike Penrose **P**Patrick DeChellis **P**Matt Machado **P**Dave Gravenkamp

Regional Directors

Johannes Hoevertsz **P**Kent Edler **P**Bob Bronkall **P**Matt Randall **P**David Leamon **P**Nardy Khan

Committee Chairs

Josh Pack **P**Pattie McNamee **P**Mark Strudley

Trisha Tillotson P (via

Zoom)

Howard Dashiell P

Coby Skye
Scott DeLeon P
Aleks Jevremovic
Dave Fleisch

CSAC/CEAC Staff

Mark Neuburger **P** Merrin Gerety **P** Catherine Freeman **P**

Ada Waelder **P** Kristina Gallagher **P**

Others in Attendance

Tom Mattson P
Kim Macfarlane P
Blossom Scott-Heim P
Howard Michael P
Carlos Melendez P

Office

President Vice President Secretary

Immediate Past President

Treasurer

Treasurer-Emeritus Parliamentarian Newsletter Editor NACE Representative

Historian

Region

Bay Area Central Coast Northern California Sacramento Mother Lode San Joaquin Valley Southern California

Committee

Administrative Fellowship

Flood Control/Water Resources Infrastructure & Development

Oversight

Resource Recovery & Waste

Scholarship Surveyor Transportation

Title

Legislative Representative CEAC Program Manager

Senior Legislative Representative Legislative Analyst Legislative Analyst

Humboldt County
Tuolumne County

Tuolumne County

AECOM UNICO **County/Organization**

Mendocino Contra Costa Trinity

San Mateo (Retired) Riverside (Retired) Marin (Retired) Sacramento (Retired) Los Angeles (Retired)

Santa Cruz

Siskiyou (Retired)

County

Sonoma
Santa Cruz
Humboldt
Placer
Stanislaus
Orange

County

Contra Costa

Contra Costa (Retired)

Santa Cruz Nevada

Mendocino Los Angeles

Lake

Santa Barbara

Ventura

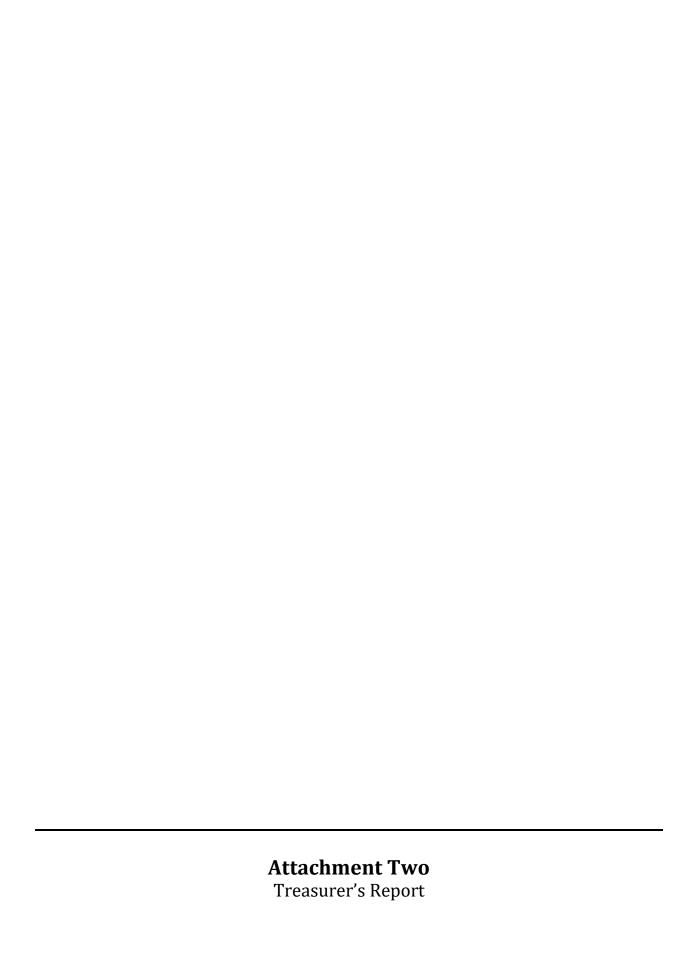
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COUNTY ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA

Treasurer's Report Notes: October 2022

The CEAC budget for 2022 increased county member dues by a total of \$100,000 to cover anticipated costs for the year. The total amount of county member dues was budgeted at \$260,000. During the August Policy Conference a projected budget shortfall of \$35,745 was presented to the Board of Directors. At that time, uncollected county member dues comprised \$25,075. The good news additional counties have since paid their member dues, which includes Yolo, Marin, and San Francisco for a total of \$14,550. Additionally, three affiliates have paid dues for another \$1,461. Combining the county and affiliate member dues has increased revenue by \$16,011. There are still seven counties that have not yet paid their member dues for 2022 providing a shortfall of \$10,525 in county member dues to date.

Further refinement of revenues and expenditures for the CEAC Spring, Policy, and Annual Conferences is now reflected in the updated Treasurer's Report. Typically, the Spring Conference and Policy Conferences generate a profit of \$20,000 and \$7,000 annually, whereas the Annual Conference loses money for CEAC at about \$15,000 each year.

These updated figures have now been included to provide a better projection of CEAC's year-end financial position. As can be seen on the attached Treasurer's Report CEAC General Revenue is projected to be \$307,852 against \$312,586 in CEAC General Fund Expenses, which will only require \$4,734 draw on reserves.

A budget subcommittee was created to review the CEAC finances and provide recommendations in developing the 2023 CEAC budget.

COUNTY ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA

TREASURER'S REPORT: October, 2022

Account Balances Be	ginning Januar	y 1,	, 2022
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Account Balances Beginning January 1, 2022				Balance
CEAC General Fund				\$112,285
PWSS Sub Account				\$11,917
Bedroll Sub Account				\$6,838
LS&R Sub Accont				\$220,783
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Total Acount Balance 1/1/22				\$351,823
		Current	Year end	
2022 INCOME	Budget	Actual	Projected	
Membership Dues	\$260,000	\$254,795	\$254,795	
Affilate Dues	\$18,000	\$18,057	\$18,057	
Spring Conference Income	\$20,000		\$20,000	
Policy Conference Income	\$12,000		\$7,000	
Annual Conference Income	\$20,000		\$0	
Bedroll Income	\$0		\$0	
PWSS Income	10,000		\$0	
Misc. Income (job posting, etc.)	<u>\$5,000</u>	<u>\$7,353</u>	<u>\$8,000</u>	
CEAC General Fund Income	\$345,000	280,205	\$307,852	\$307,852
LS&R Contributions	<u>\$253,000</u>	<u>\$251,445</u>	<u>\$251,445</u>	<u>\$251,445</u>
Total Estimated Funds Available	\$598,000	\$531,650	\$559,297	\$911,120
2022 EXPENDITURES	4.0.00	*		
NACE Dues	\$48,400	\$48,400	\$48,400	
CSAC Service & Expense Contract	\$213,000	\$109,655	\$219,286	
Spring Conference Expenses	\$15,000		\$0	
Policy Conference Expenses	\$15,000		\$0	
Annual Conference Expenses	\$25,000		\$15,000	
PWSS Expenses	\$12,000		\$0 \$0	
Bedroll Expenses	\$0		\$0 \$0	
CEAC PWSS Reception Sponsorship	\$2,000		\$0 \$6,000	
CEAC/CLODS Meeting Expenses Newsletter Editor Expenses	\$6,000 \$500		\$6,000 \$500	
Scholarships	\$6,000		\$6,000	
Awards & Gifts	\$1,500	\$100	\$1,500	
Office Supplies	\$500	\$70	\$500	
Tax Fees & Accounting	\$800	\$400	\$400	
Officers Travel & Expenses	\$10,000	\$9,70 <u>0</u>	\$15,000	
Officers fraver & Expenses	<u> </u>	35,766	313,000	
CEAC General Fund Expenses	\$355,700	\$168,325	\$312,586	
LS&R Expenses	\$344,600	\$24,899	\$100,000	
CEAC Estimated Year End Balance				
Beginning Balance				\$112,285
CEAC General Fund Income				\$307,852
CEAC General Fund Expenses				<u>(\$312,586)</u>
Projected Draw on Reserves				\$4,734
CEAC General Fund Year End Balance				\$107,551
LS&R Projected Year End Balance				\$370,412
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COUNTY ENGINEER'S ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA

2023 PROPOSED BUDGET TREASURER'S NOTES

As a result of the budget discussions at the annual policy conference in August, a budget subcommittee was formed to provide recommendations in developing the proposed 2023 CEAC budget. Recognizing expenses will be impacted by inflationary costs, the subcommittee provided the following key recommendations:

- Increase member county and affiliate dues by 10% per year for three years
- Increase the charges for job posting for both member counties and partner cities by \$50, which will change member county posting costs from \$75 to \$125, and city partner costs from \$150 to \$200
- The registration cost for the annual policy conference should be increased from the current charge of \$100 to \$150

The county member dues increase is projected to increase revenue by \$25,000. The increase to affiliates will generate an additional \$2,000. The job posting rate increase is projected to raise revenue from \$8,000 up to \$10,000. The policy conference rate increase is projected to increase revenues by another \$3,000. Combined these revenue increases should generate an additional \$30,000.

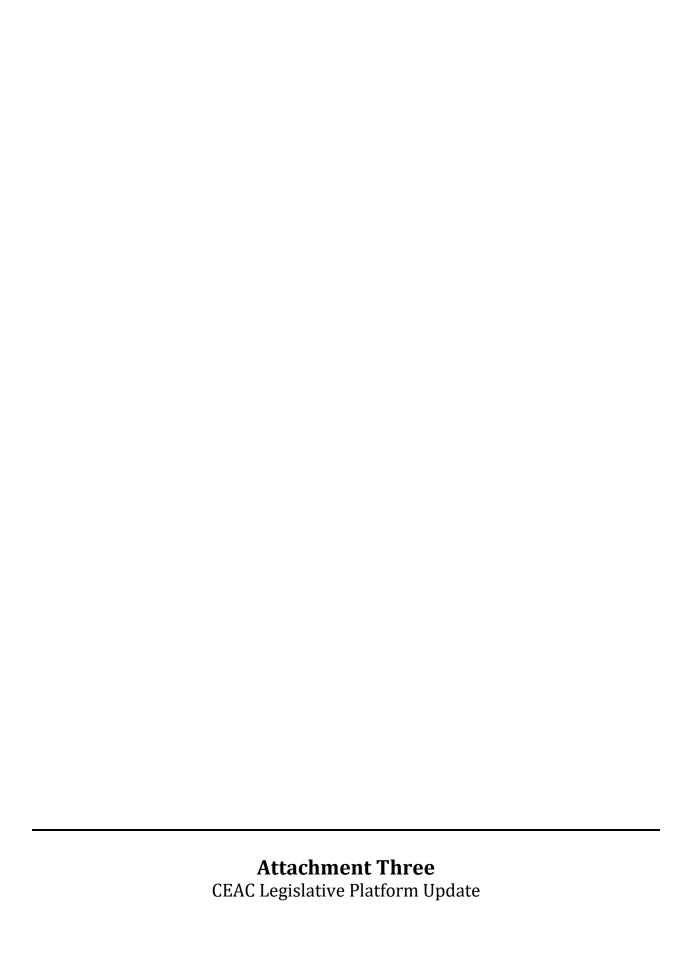
The CSAC service contract has an annual CPI inflationary factor that is projected to increase expenditures by approximately 8%, raising the cost from \$219,286 in 2022 up to \$237,000 for 2023.

Including the revenue and expenditure increases into the 2023 budget is projected to provide CEAC General Fund Income of \$350,000 against projected expenditures of \$348,300, which creates a balanced budget.

COUNTY ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA 2023 PROPOSED BUDGET

Account Balances at Year End of 2022

CEAC General Fund	\$107,551
PWSS Sub Account	\$11,917
Bedroll Sub Account	\$6,838
LS&R Sub Accont	\$370,412
ESCH Sub Accont	7370,412
Total Acount Balance 1/1/22	\$496,718
2022 INCOME	
Membership Dues	\$280,000
Affilate Dues	\$20,000
Spring Conference Income	\$20,000
Policy Conference Income	\$10,000
Annual Conference Income	\$0
Bedroll Income	\$0
PWSS Income	10,000
Misc. Income (job posting, etc.)	\$10,000
CEAC General Fund Income	\$350,000
LS&R Contributions	\$60,000
Total Estimated Funds Available	\$906,718
Total Estimated Farius Available	7500,710
2022 EXPENDITURES	
NACE Dues	\$49,000
CSAC Service & Expense Contract	\$237,000
Spring Conference Expenses	\$0
Policy Conference Expenses	\$0
Annual Conference Expenses	\$15,000
PWSS Expenses	\$10,000
Bedroll Expenses	\$0
CEAC PWSS Reception Sponsorship	\$2,000
CEAC/CLODS Meeting Expenses	\$6,000
Newsletter Editor Expenses	\$500
Scholarships	\$6,000
Awards & Gifts	\$1,500
Office Supplies	\$500
Tax Fees & Accounting	\$800
Officers Travel & Expenses	\$15,000
NACE 2024 Preparation	\$3,000
NACE 2023 Merrin Travel	<u>\$2,000</u>
CEAC General Fund Expenses	\$348,300
LS&R Expenses	\$250,000
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Total Proposed Expenses	\$598,300
ESTIMATED YEAR END ACCOUNT BALANCES	
CEAC General Fund	\$109,251
PWSS Sub Account	\$11,917
Bedroll Sub Account	\$6,838
LS&R Sub Account	\$180,412
TOTAL YEAR END ACCOUNT BALANCE	\$308,418



2021-22 CEAC Policy and Legislative Priorities



The on-going Legislative and Administrative Policy Guidelines are best achieved through collaboration and shared responsibility. To achieve the following, CEAC, CSAC staff, and individual county staff must combine resources, including policy and technical knowledge and expertise to maximize our influence, efficacy, and successful outcomes.

STATE PRIORITIES

Transportation

- 1. California Implementation of Federal Transportation Reauthorization. CSAC will advocate for county priorities in California's implementation of any new federal transportation bill, including maximizing and protecting dedicated funding for local bridges, prioritizing fix-it-first investments, infrastructure hardening, and maximizing funding for local safety and active transportation projects.
- 2. Protect State Transportation Funding and Promote Streamlining. CSAC staff will continue to monitor the allocation of state transportation revenues to counties and oppose any effort to use transportation revenues outside their intended purposes. Moreover, CSAC staff will continue to proactively seek additional flexibility for counties and streamline project delivery and environmental review processes.
- 3. Traffic Safety and Collision Reduction. CEAC will identify opportunities to support policies intended to reduce traffic-related fatalities and injuries by promoting vehicle, pedestrian, and bicycle safety. CSAC staff will support legislative efforts to reduce speeds on local streets and roads and efforts to improve roadway infrastructure, enhance traffic safety enforcement, support public education and traffic safety campaigns, and improve safety data.
- 4. City and County Pavement Improvement Center. Participate in and support the work of the City and County Pavement Improvement Center (CCPIC). Work with CEAC's governing board members to ensure CCPIC does not duplicate efforts of other academic institutions and that the technical trainings, research, etc. are focused on the priorities identified by the CEAC and League of California Cities membership. CSAC staff will focus on partnering with other agencies and educational institutions to provide ongoing funding for the CCPIC and contribute to the growth of the CCPIC program.
- 5. Develop CSAC Policy on Autonomous Vehicles and Emerging Technology. Technological advancements, including autonomous vehicles and associated infrastructure, are rapidly changing. Counties may already be responding to, and deploying, new technology. As technology continues to change, CSAC must be poised to respond and ensure, at minimum, any new mandates are funded and implications for

public agency liability are considered. CSAC staff will work with the CEAC Transportation Policy Committee to develop and recommend to CSAC new policy.

6. Explore Road User Charge Policy Options. Work with CSAC to reexamine the association's position on mileage-based user charges as an eventual replacement for the gasoline excise tax. As improvements in the fuel efficiency of vehicles reduces gas tax revenue per mile travelled, alternatives to the gas tax are being seriously considered by transportation stakeholders. CEAC will study the policy implications of mileage based user fees and work with CSAC to develop positions on this method of taxation, which will be the focus of extensive study and a state pilot project over the next several years.

Land Use Infrastructure and Development

- 1. Ensure Adequate Funding for Infrastructure Impacted by Development. Support proposals which promote housing development by adequately funding infrastructure, but oppose measures that arbitrarily limit fees or other exactions necessary to support county infrastructure, or facilities, required by new development.
- 2. Fund Infill Infrastructure. Support funding sources for infrastructure related to infill projects that fall under applicable streamlining, including the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities grant program, as well as other proposals to fund infill infrastructure in tandem with affordable housing development, including proposals for a bond measure.
- 3. Subdivision Map Act. Oppose legislation to reform the California Subdivision Map Act that removes or decreases local control and conditional use requirements.
- 4. Protect Rule 20A. Oppose legislation or Public Utilities Commission (PUC) action that threatens Rule 20A for overhead/underground conversion project funding. Engage in Phase 2 of the PUC proceeding to advocate for continued availability of ratepayer funding for Rule 20A projects, expansion of the public interest criteria, and changes to make the program more accessible to disadvantaged unincorporated communities.
- <u>5. Project Delivery: Continue to proactively seek additional flexibility for counties to streamline project delivery and environmental review processes.</u>

Resource Recovery and Waste Management

- 1. AB 1826 and SB 1383 Implementation. Engage in CalRecyle and the Air Resources Board's process for implementing AB 1826 and SB 1383 which creates an organic management program in California. Continue to advocate for resources for local governments to develop the necessary infrastructure to implement organics diversion programs.
- 2. Conversion Technology. Support legislative efforts to advance the development, design and implementation of conversion technologies.
- 3. Funding for Resource Recovery infrastructure. Advocate for sustainable and diverse funding streams to develop and manage the infrastructure necessary to manage California's waste and recycling needs.

4. Market Development. Support legislative efforts to expand local markets for recyclable materials, to support limits on single use plastics, to support producer responsibility, to support bottle bill reform for CRV buyback programs and support efforts to increase requirements for recyclable contents in products.

Flood Control & Water Resources

- 1. Stormwater Funding Outreach and Engagement Effort. Increase public awareness and countywide support for stormwater programs by providing education and information on the needs, challenges, and benefits of stormwater and flood control programs throughout the state.
- 2. Stormwater Funding. Continue to support the development of a funding mechanism that would allow cities and counties to finance compliance with Clean Water Act permit requirements, stormwater capture and flood protection services.
- 3. Waters of the State Dredge and Fill Rulemaking Implementation. Develop reliable and comprehensive data regarding the implementation of the State Water Board's new dredge and fill regulations to advocate and inform the Water Board and stakeholder about the real impacts of the regulation.
- 4. Resiliency. Support for resources to make flood control and county infrastructure resilient to climate change and natural disasters.

Surveyor

- 1. Surveyor Recorder Relationship Clean-up. Support coordinated effort with the County Recorders Association to update outdated language in the Government Code relating to transfer and sharing of documents, through Senate Committee on Governance and Finance Omnibus bill.
- 2. Surveyor Monument Preservation. Support legislation that would simplify the collection of the Monument Preservation Fund Fee.

FEDERAL PRIORITIES

Transportation

- 1. Federal Transportation Reauthorization and Emergency Aid. Support reauthorization of a federal transportation bill consistent with the priorities adopted by CEAC and CSAC. CSAC staff will advocate for backfilling lost local transportation fuel tax revenues due to the COVID-19 crisis in federal emergency aid legislation, as well as funding for local bridge, safety, and active transportation projects. Finally, CSAC will request direct subventions to counties for transportation infrastructure in any federal infrastructure package outside of the traditional highway funding bill process.
- 2. CEQA-NEPA Reciprocity. Support delegation of NEPA authority to the local/regional level so that counties can participate directly in the CEQA-for-NEPA program. Such a change would allow California to implement a California reciprocity program in a manner

that reduces duplication and is not equally or more burdensome than the current process.

3. Offset Impacts from Federal Lands. Support continued federal funding to offset impacts to counties from federal lands, such as the Secure Rural Schools program.

Flood Control

1. Clean Water Act. Support legislation that would amend Section 404 of the Clean Water Act to provide a narrow exemption for maintenance activities involving the removal of sediment, debris and vegetation from flood control channels and basins.



ARTICLE III

Dues and Assessments

Section 1. The dues to the Association for each County shall be based on the latest United States Census in accordance with the following schedule:

Effective
Date
1/1/2022
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The membership period and the fiscal year of this Association shall coincide with the calendar year (from January 1 to December 31). Payment for services shall be due on the 15th day of February of each year.

Regardless of the provisions of Article VII, the dues for the Association may be changed by two thirds (2/3) vote of the total Board of Directors provided that said proposed increase has been duly noticed to said directors and the vote is taken at any official meeting of the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Assessments may be levied for special purposes by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of eligible voting members present at any general membership meeting.

Section 3. The dues to the Association for Affiliate Membership shall be \$500.

Section 4. It is anticipated that all dues (General Member & Affiliate) shall be increased annually by a 10% percentage for three years – 2023, 2024 & 2025. The dues will be increased to meet necessary expenses automatically each year unless reduced by two thirds (2/3) vote of the total Board of Directors.