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COUNTY ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA

November 12, 2019

To: Public Works Directors and Department Heads Members, County Engineers Association of California Policy Committees

From: Jim Porter, President, County Engineers Association of California

Re: Call for Legislative Proposals for 2021-2022 Legislative Session

The County Engineers Association of California (CEAC) is requesting submission of legislative proposals for the 2021-2022 Legislative Session. We are starting this process much earlier than in the past to facilitate additional review and ensure that any legislative proposal is well-vetted in advance of the next legislative session. These submissions will be reviewed during the CEAC Spring Conference, March 18-20, 2020 in Monterey. Following the CEAC Spring Conference, relevant committees will have the opportunity to refine proposals, so that final versions can be considered for action during the CEAC Policy Conference, August 19-20, 2020.

Certain factors will be considered in the review of legislative proposals. These factors will include statewide need for the proposal, the proposal's impact on the 58 counties or a majority of the counties, how the proposal ranks with existing policy priorities, and the level of the proposal's political controversy.

After consideration of legislative proposals by CEAC's relevant policy committees and Board of Directors, proposals may need to be considered and formally adopted as sponsored legislation by the California State Association of Counties (CSAC). Formal adoption may depend in part on whether the proposed legislation is consistent with existing CSAC policy.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- If you would like to submit a legislative proposal for consideration, please complete **both** a CEAC Legislative Proposal Action Request Form and a CSAC Bill Proposal Worksheet. These two required forms are attached.
- All CEAC members are encouraged to generate proposals; however CEAC respectfully requests that submissions only come from Public Works Directors or Department Heads. This will help staff to collect proposals and ensure that there is no duplication.
- Draft CEAC Legislative Proposals are due by COB February 14, 2020.
- Please email proposals to Marina Espinoza:
 - Email: <u>mespinoza@counties.org</u> with the subject heading "CEAC 2021-2022 Legislative Proposal Submission"

CEAC is an important platform that can affect statewide policy changes. It also provides opportunities to improve the profession of county engineering in California. The development of legislative proposals and our CEAC policies are critical in helping CEAC lend its unique insight and expertise to policy discussions on a number of important issues. In order to help with your legislative proposals, we have included CEAC's current policy documents as background. These documents include:

- 2019-2020 CEAC Legislative Priorities
- 2019-2020 CEAC Legislative & Administrative Policy Guidelines

Questions? Please feel free to contact Marina Espinoza at 916-650-8185 or <u>mespinoza@counties.org</u> if you have any questions.