Chris Rodgers Elected National Association of Counties’ Second Vice President

Douglas County Commissioner Chris Rodgers was elected by the National Association of Counties (NACo) membership as Second Vice President during NACo’s Annual Conference in Reno, Nevada. Below is a letter from Chris Rodgers to the NACO membership.

Dear Nebraska Association of County Officials Members:

On Tuesday, July 20, we completed a successful campaign for the National Association of Counties (NACo) Second Vice President. I am honored to represent Nebraska as one of the organization’s national officers and also proud to be the second Nebraskan to accomplish this task since Dan Lynch in the early 1970’s.

Without a doubt, this would not have happened without your support as a whole and a few specific people:

- NACO leadership particularly our president Pam Lancaster and our state representative on the NACo board Tim Loewenstein,
- NACO staff particularly Larry Dix and Leslie Preston,
- The Douglas County Board of Commissioners and our staff,
- The family and friends of NACO members who attended the legislative and annual conferences and volunteered at our booth, and,
- My own family who has sacrificed and supported our efforts.

Again, words can’t express my thanks for your support. I am excited about the next four years and pray that I will represent you, our state, and our national organization proudly.

Sincerely,

Chris Rodgers – Third District
Douglas County Board of Commissioners
Upcoming Webinars...

Making Rural Roads Safe, Understanding Retroreflectivity in Signs and Road Markings  
Thursday, September 30  
1:00 p.m. CDT

Continuing NACo’s Rural Road Safety Webinar Series, this webinar will review the current sign retroreflectivity standards (including resources) but also focus on the new standards related to Pavement Marking Retroreflectivity. Additionally, it would provide some best practices to consider when implementing standards.

To register: https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/694319506
Contact: James Davenport, 202-661-8807 or jdavenport@naco.org

For more information on this and previous webinars, go the NACo Webinars & Seminars page.

Nebraska Counties to Receive $980,000 in PILT Payments

The Department of the Interior has reported that FY 2010 Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) payments totaling $358 million were made on June 29, 2010 to approximately 1,850 county and local governments. Forty-two Nebraska counties should have received payments totaling $980,520. For additional information about the PILT program and the 2010 payments to counties, go to http://www.doi.gov/pilt.

The Omaha World Herald has reported that no special budget-cutting session will be needed to get Nebraska through the end of the fiscal year. To view the full article, click here.

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2010 NACO Annual Conference Lodging Reservations

The 2010 Conference Rooming List is now available on NACO’s website. The reservation process has changed from previous years. Lodging requests will be accepted no earlier than Friday, August 13, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. Central Standard Time. The form may be completed in advance and saved to be sent at the appropriate time. Requests must be e-mailed using the form available on the NACO website. Requests sent prior to the date and time indicated will not be honored and will be returned. If you have questions regarding this procedure, please contact Lisa Wefer at (402) 434-5660 ext. 221.