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***COUNTY OF MENDOCINO ANNOUNCES
TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR HOWARD N. DASHIELL
RECEIVES CIRCLE OF SERVICE AWARD***

The California State Association of Counties (CSAC) honored County Engineer, Howard N. Dashiell with their prestigious Circle of Service Award for his work on behalf of CSAC and California Counties.

Thirteen 2012 Circle of Service Awards were presented by CSAC President, Mike McGowan, during the 118th Annual Meeting in Long Beach (Los Angeles County) on November 28, 2012.

"I was very proud to have Howard honored by the California State Association of Counties" stated First District Supervisor Carre Brown.

The Circle of Service Award is a way for CSAC to recognize county officials, staff and other association-affiliated members whose service to the county family and CSAC membership has been substantially above and beyond the norm. Specifically, the Mendocino County Engineer was recognized for his significant commitment and contributions to key CSAC legislative issues over the past few years.



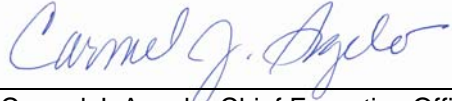
County Engineers Association of California (CEAC) President McGowan's comments were as follows: *"Howard has dedicated his time over the past few years on two important efforts for California's Counties. First, on legislation that threatened a county's ability to use their own work force for transportation projects. Howard attended a number of committee hearings and meetings with the author and sponsors, as well as developed materials for CSAC staff to use in our advocacy efforts on this highly technical policy issue. Howard continues to support staff as CSAC works on implementation of the legislation, which was significantly less harmful to counties as a direct result of his work. Secondly, Howard has championed the issue of utility undergrounding projects. He is currently leading a group of County Engineers to work with PG&E and other utilities to ensure effectiveness and efficiency in delivery of these important projects."*

On a personal level County Engineer, Howard N. Dashiell has the following remarks: "I am both honored and humbled to receive this unsolicited award.

I am honored because it means a lot for the hard working CSAC legislative lobbyists (DeAnn Baker and Kaina Buss) to appreciate my efforts enough to bestow this award. These efforts are moreover my job and duty in looking out for the interests of Mendocino County.

I am humbled because many (CEAC) members devote much time and effort to working on issues that are important to all of us. Belonging and actively participating in CSAC/CEAC provides a valuable forum to discuss common issues with other Engineers and Transportation officials from surrounding counties, which is very beneficial. County Engineers share each others experience, expertise and ideas. We become better and do our jobs for the sake of our employers – the tax payers. I won this award by just doing my part – my duty.”

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Carmel J. Angelo, Chief Executive Officer