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DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY 6, 2011	CCC/EAPA REGIONAL MEETING, OCASEK GOVERNMENT OFFICE BUILDING AUDITORIUM, SUMMIT COUNTY (AKRON)
MAY 11, 2011	CCAO 2 nd WEDNESDAY SEMINAR, HUMAN SERVICES WORKSHOP: JOB & FAMILY SERVICES, CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT, CHILDREN SERVICES & WORKFORCE INVESTMENT, CCAO OFFICES, COLUMBUS
MAY 18, 2011	CCAO JOBS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE, CCAO OFFICES, COLUMBUS
MAY 19, 2011	CCAO GENERAL GOVERNMENT & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE, CCAO OFFICES, COLUMBUS
MAY 18-20, 2011	NACo WESTERN INTERSTATE REGION CONFERENCE, CHELAN COUNTY, (WENATCHEE), WA
MAY 26, 2011	CCAO METROPOLITAN & REGIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE CONFERENCE CALL
JUNE 10, 2011	CCAO/CEAO SUMMER SEMINAR, COLUMBUS
JULY 15-19, 2011	NACo ANNUAL CONFERENCE, MULTNOMAH COUNTY (PORTLAND), OR

ASSOCIATION NEWS

COUNTY PERMISSIVE TAXES HANDBOOK CHAPTER UPDATED

This week, take a look at the most recent chapter of the *County Commissioners Handbook* that was recently revised. Chapter 17 – County Permissive Taxes was revised by Brad Cole, CCAO Managing Director of Research. This chapter contains a summary of the four permissive taxes that counties are authorized to enact: sales and use, real estate transfer, motor vehicle registration, and utility service taxes.

To view Chapter 17 and the following chapters that were updated so far this year, go to the CCAO website at www.ccao.org > Publications > *County Commissioners Handbook* or click on the *Handbook* button on the front page.

- 9 - Eminent Domain
- 63 - Civil Service & Employment Issues
- 98 - Judicial System
- 124 - Elections
- 125 - Ethics
- 128 - Public Records & Records Commissions

Over the next couple of months, more *Handbook* chapters will be published on the web in Section 2 – Taxation and Finance. Some of the existing chapters of Section 2 will be new, renumbered or revised.

In the past, CCAO has published four editions of the *County Commissioners Handbook* and distributed copies to all counties. Since the first edition, the *Handbook* has grown to over 1,000 pages and publishing an updated copy of all chapters in a timely manner is nearly impossible. Due to technology changes and the high cost of publishing a hard copy, the *Handbook* will be published on our website.

2ND WEDNESDAY SEMINAR SERIES: HUMAN SERVICES WORKSHOP - JOB & FAMILY SERVICES, CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT, CHILDREN SERVICES & WORKFORCE INVESTMENT

CCAO encourages commissioners and other county officials to attend the next CCAO 2nd Wednesday Seminar Series on “Human Services Workshop: Job & Family Services, Child Support Enforcement, Children Services & Workforce Investment” on May 11, 2011 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The 2nd Wednesday Seminar Series will be held at the CCAO Offices, 209 East State Street, in Columbus.

CCAO has confirmed attendance by Joel Potts, Executive Director, Ohio Job and Family Service Directors Association; Kim Newsome Bridges, Executive Director, Ohio Child Support Enforcement Agency Directors Association; Crystal Ward Allen, Executive Director of Public Children Services Association; and John Trott, Coordinator of the Area 7 Consortium and Bert Cene, Executive Director of the Mahoning – Columbiana Training Association. Mark your calendar now to learn firsthand from association leaders the financial and other challenges facing the human services community as they attempt to deliver critical human service programs at a time of limited resources.

The 2nd Wednesday sessions are designed to be very interactive, allowing ample opportunity for attendees to ask questions and have dialogue directly with the speakers. All sessions are free and parking is available in the CCAO parking lot adjacent to the CCAO office. Program details are posted at www.ccao.org Coffee will be served during the morning and lunch will be on your own. Best of all, no registration fee will be charged! Please pre-register so that CCAO can have adequate seating and handouts. To register, contact Janet Erwin, CCAO Administrative Assistant, at jerwin@ccao.org

CCAO AFFILIATE ACTIVITIES

CCC/EAPA REGIONAL MEETING –MAY 6

Plan to attend the next County Commissioners’ Clerks and Engineer’s Administrative Professional Association of Ohio (CCC/EAPA) regional meeting scheduled on May 6 to share information and network with other clerks. CCC/EAPA is comprised of county commissioners and engineers’ office staff. All commissioners’ clerks and

engineers' administrative professionals are welcome to network with this most informative organization. The board works hard to provide educational workshops and training opportunities at conferences.

The regional meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. and end at 2:30 p.m. at the Ocasek Government Office Building Auditorium, 161 South High Street, in Summit County (Akron). CCAO/CEAO sponsors the lunch. RSVP your attendance to Theresa Upton, Clerk, Lorain County Commissioners, (440) 329-5103 or tupton@loraincounty.us

A complete schedule of regional briefings held for the rest of the year can be found at www.ccao.org > Calendar > Seminars, Workshops & Special Events. Please email suggestions for agenda items to Carolyn Hauenstein, Clerk, Erie County Commissioners at (419) 627-7675 or chauenstein@eriecounty.oh.gov or Rhonda Slauterbeck, Clerk, Ottawa County Commissioners at (419) 734-6720 or rslauterbeck@co.ottawa.oh.us Bring any forms to the meeting that may be useful to share with other counties.

To obtain additional information about the CCC/EAPA, or if you are interested in serving on one of the committees, please contact CCC/EAPA President - Gail Crossen, Clerk, Ashland County Commissioners, at (419) 282-4220 or gcrossen@ashlandcounty.org or www.ccc-esao.org

STATE ACTIVITIES

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL; COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPRESENTATIVE NOMINATIONS OPEN

The Solid Waste Management Advisory Council (SWAC) is an advisory body that serves three functions: 1) assists Ohio EPA with preparing the state solid waste management plan (state plan); 2) approves or disapproves the draft plan; and 3) annually reviews implementation of the state plan. SWAC members represent various parties that are involved in or have an interest in solid waste management in Ohio. In this way, SWAC provides Ohio EPA with well-balanced input for developing the state plan.

Nominations are being sought for one of the two seats representing counties. The two-year term begins June 24, 2011. SWAC meets four times a year, once every quarter. Meetings are scheduled based on a calendar year. If necessary, the Ohio EPA director can require additional meetings.

County commissioners interested in submitting their names should contact Tanya McComas, CCAO Administrative Assistant, at (614) 221-5627 or tmccomas@ccao.org by Friday, May 13. The names will be reviewed by CCAO and submitted to Governor Kasich who will make the final selection.

The other member representing counties on SWAC is Tom Ferrell, Erie County Commissioner. In addition, Chris Jacobs, Columbiana-Carroll-Harrison Solid Waste Management District Director, represents joint solid waste management districts, while Holly Christmann, Hamilton County Solid Waste Management District Director, represents single solid waste management districts.

FEDERAL ACTIVITIES

FY12 HOUSE BUDGET MAKES DEEP CUTS IN COUNTY PROGRAMS

The House of Representatives passed the FY12 Budget Resolution (H. Con. Res. 34), the first step in the congressional budget process, by a vote of 235–193 on April 15. The resolution by Budget Chairman Paul Ryan (R-Wisc.) would reduce spending by almost \$6 trillion over the next 10 years.

The budget resolution traditionally does not give many specifics. Instead it gives a blueprint to the appropriators of how much they have available in their specific functions. Additionally, it may give instructions known as budget reconciliation to authorizing committees for deficit-reduction measures. Nonetheless, Ryan's blueprint gives a general idea of what can be expected and calls for significant changes to some programs, particularly Medicaid.

Some of the most significant proposals for counties include a Medicaid block grant, overall domestic spending reductions, a reserve fund for Secure Rural Schools and PILT, and consolidation of job-training programs. To read an analysis by the NACo staff go to www.naco.org and click on the front page story.

NACo SEEKS EXAMPLES OF REGULATORY HURDLES, HINDRANCES

If you have been bothered and befuddled by federal regulations that add expense and headaches to your projects or operations, now's your time to let NACo know. NACo is collecting information to forward to the Obama administration in conjunction with a White House initiative to find ways to design cost-effective, evidence-based regulations.

Earlier this month, officials from the White House Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA) and Office of Intergovernmental Affairs (IGA) met with local government groups to discuss the administration's implementation of regulatory review initiatives, and to seek their assistance in gathering information.

Specifically, NACo is looking for particular barriers (administrative, regulatory or legislative) that county staff or elected officials find to be duplicative or burdensome because they tend to prevent the efficient use of money from federally funded programs that benefit constituents.

You can enter your experiences online at www.naco.org/FedRegsProblems or go to the "Legislation and Policy" main page on NACo's website. Please be as specific as possible, citing examples where appropriate. The results will be forwarded to the White House. For more information, contact Mike Belarmino, NACo Associate Legislative Director, at (202) 942-4254 or mbelarmino@naco.org

SEVERE SPRING WEATHER - ARE YOU PREPARED?

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region V office is encouraging residents and business owners to take steps now to prepare for severe spring weather, including floods, tornados, and severe storms. Individuals, families, and businesses can take steps now to prepare by preparing emergency supply kits that includes, having a disaster plan, identifying evacuation routes and a site away from the disaster area where family members can meet, identifying business operations that are critical to survival and recovery, and heeding all local warnings. For more tips on how to be prepared for spring weather, visit www.ready.gov

NACo ACTIVITIES

ELIASON TO APPOINT LEADERSHIP TEAM FOR 2011-12

Athens County Commissioner and NACo 1st Vice President Lenny Eliason will have the privilege of making the following appointments to his 2011-12 Leadership Team. CCAO is honored to have the first NACo President from O-H-I-O! Congratulations Lenny...and best wishes for a great year when you are elected NACo President at the Annual Conference in July!

- **Steering Committee Leadership** – The 11 steering committees will each have a leadership team consisting of a chair, vice-chairs, subcommittee chairs, and vice-chairs. Active members of the steering committees are given first preference. **This does not include steering committee membership nominations. CCAO will process nominations in early June. (See article below.)**
- **Caucus Leadership** – These one-year appointments include the Rural Action Caucus (RAC) and Large Urban County Caucus (LUCC) Steering Committees chair and vice-chairs. Active members of the steering committees are given first preference.
- **At-Large Appointments to the NACo Board of Directors** – These ten one-year appointments add diversity to the board.
- **Standing Committees** – Four committees (i.e., Finance, Information Technology, Member Programs and Services, and Membership Committees)
- **Ad Hoc Committees** – Five committees (i.e., Deferred Compensation Advisory Committee, NACo Financial Services Center Advisory Committee, Arts and Culture Commission, Geospatial Information Systems Committee, Green Government Advisory Board, and Healthy Counties Advisory Board)

The application is available online at www.naco.org Click on About NACo>Committees and Caucuses>Presidential Appointments. **Application deadline: June 3, 2011.** If you have any questions please contact Mary Jane Neiman, CCAO Public Relations Associate, at (614) 220-7979 or mjneiman@ccao.org

2011-12 NACo STEERING COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

Do you want a voice in creating the national legislative policies of the National Association of Counties (NACo)? Then consider serving on one of their 11 steering committees: Agriculture & Rural Affairs, Community & Economic Development, Environment, Energy & Land Use, Finance & Intergovernmental Affairs, Health, Human Services & Education, Justice & Public Safety, Labor & Employment, Public Lands, Telecommunications & Technology, and Transportation.

The nomination process for membership on NACo policy steering committees is underway. As a NACo steering committee member, you are responsible for debating and creating national policies and priorities affecting counties and serve as NACo's front line in their grassroots efforts. Committees meet at the NACo legislative and annual conferences and one other time during the year. You will be responsible for your own travel.

If you are currently serving on a committee and would like to be reappointed, or if you would like to learn more about the committees, contact Mary Jane Neiman, CCAO Public Relations Associate, at (614) 220-7979 or mjneiman@ccao.org Please respond by June 1, 2011. The nominations are processed at CCAO and will be forwarded to NACo for approval by the incoming NACo President Lenny Eliason, Athens County Commissioner, after the NACo Annual Conference in July. NACo will announce your appointment in September 2011.

TRAINING

FREE ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH ONLINE COURSES

The Centers for Disease Control & Prevention and their partners have developed a comprehensive online/on-demand package of Environmental Public Health Online Courses (EPHOC) for environmental public health practitioners. The goal of this partnership is to provide access to comprehensive, worthwhile and affordable workforce development resources for practitioners in environmental public health.

The 15 EPHOC courses, for the total of over 45 hours of training, are taught by a group of environmental public health subject-matter experts from across the country. Each course includes a pretest, a number of individual 40- to 60-minute modules, and a posttest. Course content includes information on various roles and responsibilities of environmental public health staff. The National Environmental Health Association (NEHA) will award preapproved continuing education credit for each course successfully completed. For more information, go to <http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/ehs/?source=govdelivery>

CLASSIFIEDS

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Common Pleas Court, Juvenile Division of Clark County seeks an experienced Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer prepares and manages all aspects of the court's budget; identifies, secures and manages federal, state and local grant funding; hires, supervises, selects, evaluates, disciplines, and assigns work to financial department staff; maintains court's payroll data, personnel files, and time clock system. Qualified candidates must have a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting and CPA Certification with a minimum of three years experience in governmental/fund accounting; and a valid Ohio Driver's License. Annual salary range is \$50,000-\$60,000; please apply no later than **4:30 p.m. May 5, 2011**. For more details please visit www.clarkcountyohio.gov/personnel/job_openings.htm. EOE.

SANITARY ENGINEER

Under administrative direction of the Miami County Board of Commissioners; directs operations and development of water supply systems, sewer districts; Coordinates and develops successful long range plans with Township and village officials; and refuse disposal districts. Researches and evaluates current operations and make recommendations; prepares budget; develops policies and procedures; develops operating plans. Supervises departmental personnel, plans, schedules, assigns and reviews work; evaluates performance; provides direction; recommends personnel actions; interviews applicants. Analyzes, interprets, and prepares records, reports, statistical data and related documents and materials. Investigates and resolves complaints; communicates with the public, press and various officials.

Completion of post-secondary education with a degree in Civil Engineering from an accredited college or university, or equivalent, plus substantial experience in refuse disposal, water supply and wastewater treatment facilities operation; or equivalent combination of education and experience. Must be registered as a Professional Engineer in the State of Ohio; must possess a valid Ohio Driver's License.

All interested applicants may acquire an application at the Miami County Job Center, 2040 N. County Road 25A, Troy, OH 45373 between the hours of 7:00 am to 6:00 pm on Mondays and 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Tuesday through Friday. They can also be accessed through the Miami County web site at www.co.miami.oh.us. All properly completed applications are to be returned to the above address or e-mailed to hr@co.miami.oh.us by **May 13, 2011**. EOE.

CLASSIFIED ADS

CCAO publishes the County Information and Data Service (CIDS) weekly. Classified ads will be published free of charge as a service to counties. Ads will run for two weeks if space is available. Ads will also be published on the CCAO website at www.ccao.org. When submitting your ad to CCAO please provide a link to the job posting online and a deadline. Please provide a copy of the classified ad by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday of each week. Transmit the copy to Mary Jane Neiman, CCAO Public Relations Associate, by e-mail at mjneiman@ccao.org