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Orange County Public Works Earns National Association of Counties Achievement Awards

County programs are recognized for enhancing efficiency and customer service.

Santa Ana, CA— Two Orange County (OC) Public Works programs were selected to receive a 2015 Achievement Award by the National Association of Counties (NACo). Founded in 1935, NACo represents the nation's 3,069 County governments on support of the pursuit of excellence in public service.

"We are honored to have been recognized by NACo and appreciate the opportunity to share innovative County programs that best demonstrate our efforts to provide efficient, quality services to the residents of Orange County," said Chairman Todd Spitzer, Orange County Board of Supervisors. "I thank all the employees for doing a great job and congratulate them on this well-deserved acknowledgement from NACo."



The OC Public Works award-winning programs for 2015 are:

Program: Department Operations Center Redesign and Enhancement

Award Category: Emergency Management and Response

Description: The OC Public Works Department Operations Center Redesign and Enhancement program was established as a result of the destructive winter storms of 2010. The effort updated technological assets, streamlined operations, relocated the facility and established best practices for increased efficiency and enhanced support for communities and agencies during emergencies.

Program: Environmental Resources Data Portal

Award Category: Information Technology

Description: Designed and launched by OCPW's Environmental Resources Service Area, the new web-based data portal provides County staff, other agencies and the general public with a gateway to multiple interactive maps, enabling users the freedom to explore data sets and download data layers in a variety of different formats for enhanced customer service.

"These awards represent the ingenuity and hard work of our OC Public Works staff in delivering vital services for our communities in more efficient and effective ways," said OC Public Works Director Shane Silsby. "I am very excited and honored about this national recognition."

About OC Public Works

OC Public Works provides services on a regional basis to unincorporated areas, to cities and to other Orange County agencies and departments. The primary mission of the department is to protect and enrich the community through efficient delivery and maintenance of public works infrastructure, planning and development services, environmental resources and consumer protection measures.

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