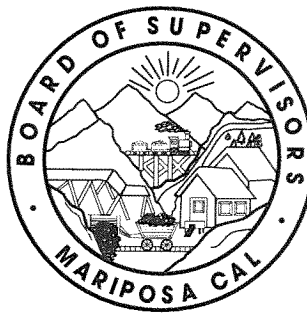


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Dear WIR Board of Directors,

We hope you and your communities are safe at this time. As you can imagine, due to the increase in coronavirus infections and the state/local government response, we have been working on contingency plans for this year's WIR Conference.

The health and safety of our members and communities come first. With new rules regulating the size of meetings throughout the state of California and many other states, the leadership of WIR had no choice but to cancel the 2020 WIR Conference in Mariposa County. We are currently exploring options with the hotel and our California state and rural county organizations who have been so enthusiastic about this conference. Initially, we looked at moving to October 2020, but the hotel is unavailable. Plus, the large number of state association meetings and the fall election calendar would hamper our ability to pull it off at the level we had planned to provide. Additionally, we are exploring alternative content options for members to utilize. Please stay tuned for more details.

If you already registered for the conference, your registration fee will be refunded automatically – no further action is required. If you paid by credit card, that card will be refunded. If you paid by check a new check for the full amount will be sent back to the check issuer.

We apologize for the inconvenience. This decision was not taken lightly and was agonizingly analyzed by WIR leadership, staff from Mariposa County, the state associations, and NACo.

Please let us know if you have any questions. Stay safe.

Sincerely,

Kevin Cann

President NACo Western Interstate Region
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