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## **Yolo Supervisors Honored at CSAC Annual Meetings**

(Woodland, CA) – The California State Association of Counties (CSAC) honored 10 individuals at their recent annual meetings in Oakland, California with Circle of Services awards which recognize county officials, department directors, employees, corporate associates and other CSAC members whose service to CSAC and counties set them apart. Among the 10 recipients of this award were Yolo County Supervisors Mike McGowan and Helen M. Thomson.

District 1 Supervisor Mike McGowan was acknowledged for his service both as co-chair of the CSAC Flood Protection Policy Working Group and as chair of the Housing Land Use and Transportation Policy Committee. In addition, this year he was named co-chair of the newly formed National Association of Counties (NACo) Subcommittee on Native American Affairs. Supervisor McGowan has served Yolo County residents on the Board of Supervisors since 1992.

"It's certainly an honor to be acknowledged by an organization that does so much to serve all the residents of California, and to be in the good company of my colleague Helen Thomson as well as," said Yolo County Supervisor Mike McGowan.

District 2 Supervisor Helen M. Thomson was acknowledged by CSAC for her work as chair of the CSAC Health and Human Services Policy Committee in a year when counties have grappled with their role in the statewide health care reform debate. She has chaired weekly health care reform update conference calls and also testified on the Governor's health care reform package. Supervisor Thomson began her service to Yolo County residents on the Board of Supervisors starting in 1986 until she left to serve in the California State Assembly from 1996 to 2002, returning to the Board of Supervisors in 2003.

The California State Association of Counties represents county government before the California Legislature, administrative agencies and the federal government. CSAC places a strong emphasis on educating the public about the value and need for county programs and services. CSAC's long-term objective is to significantly improve the fiscal health of all California counties so they can adequately meet the demand for vital public programs and services.