

# NACO E-Line



November 19, 2021



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## Your County, Through the Lens

Every E-Line will feature a photograph submitted by one of our readers of their county.

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Fires in Banner County, submitted by Bob Post

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### **NOAA seeks input on the administration's goal to conserve 30 percent of lands and waters by 2030**

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) is seeking input on advancing America the Beautiful and guiding its conservation and restoration of ocean, coastal and Great Lakes Resources. Specifically, NOAA is requesting actions it should consider taking to support tribal, state and local governments, in addition to non-governmental entities to advance their efforts to conserve and restore U.S. lands and waters. NACo previously **sent a letter** to President Biden detailing county concerns and priorities in the implementation of America the Beautiful. The initial report, released in May, outlines the following eight principles that will guide the focus of this initiative:

- Pursue a collaborative and inclusive approach to conservation.
- Conserve America's lands and waters for the benefit of all people.
- Support locally led and locally designed conservation efforts.
- Honor tribal sovereignty and support the priorities of tribal nations.
- Pursue conservation and restoration approaches that create jobs and support healthy communities.
- Honor private property rights and support the voluntary stewardship efforts of private landowners and fishers.
- Use science as a guide.
- Build on existing tools and strategies with an emphasis on flexibility and adaptive approaches.

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## Webinars: ARPA Usage Series with Esri and NACo: Health and Human Services

Federal relief funding for the COVID-19 pandemic provides governments with an opportunity to invest in their communities and advance the use of technology. This new webinar series from the National Association of Counties (NACo) and Esri will answer questions and provide tips to help align your local priorities with funding opportunities to strengthen your technological investments.

Each webinar will highlight existing federal programs, provide examples of how other jurisdictions are using federal relief funding, and show how your investment in GIS can support your recovery initiatives. The dates of each webinar are as follows:

Transportation and Transit — December 6, 2021 | 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. (ET)

Broadband — December 8, 2021 | 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. (ET)

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## Acknowledging State Graduates from NACo Leadership Academy

Three Nebraska County members participated in the NACo Leadership Academy, a 12-week online program that empowers front-line county government employees with fundamental leadership skills. Across the country, 4,500 county employees have enrolled in the NACo Leadership Academy since 2018.

Those that completed the 2021 August Academy are:

- John Westman, Sheriff, Merrick County
- Beth Ferrell, Legal Counsel, Nebraska Association of Officials County
- Casey Tiemann, Office Manager, Seward County

Congratulations to all of these individuals who completed the program!

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