

# VENTURA REGIONAL SANITATION DISTRICT

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January 6, 2011

Board of Directors  
Ventura Regional Sanitation District  
Ventura, California

## CASA WASHINGTON D.C. CONFERENCE 2011

### Summary

Designate Chairman Monahan to represent the Board of Directors at the California Association of Sanitation Agencies (CASA) Washington D.C. Conference in March 2011.

### Background

The CASA Washington D.C. Conference will be held March 14 through March 16, 2011. The Conference is an important component of CASA's mission and strategic goals, allowing an opportunity for exchange of views and information with members of Congress, key members of the Congressional delegation and staff, and senior Executive Branch officials from the U.S. EPA and other federal offices.

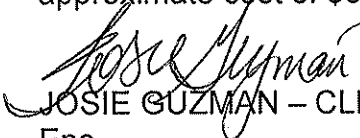
If you have any questions, please call me at 658-4642 or email me at [josieguzman@vrzd.com](mailto:josieguzman@vrzd.com).

### Fiscal Impact


As part of the District's ongoing efforts to reduce costs, the Board approved in this fiscal year's budget designating only one Director to attend this Conference. The total approximate cost, including registration, hotel, per diem, airfare, and days of service is \$3,000.

### Recommendation

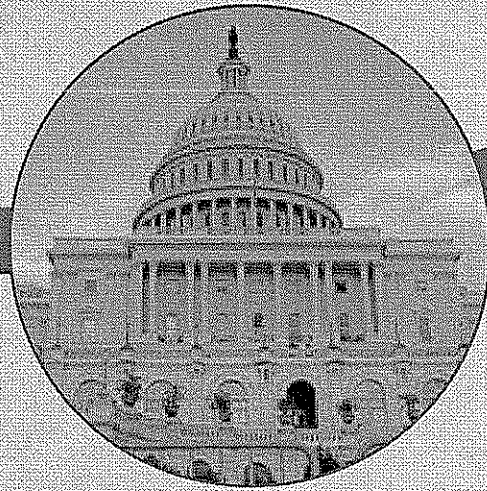
It is recommended the Board designate Chairman Monahan to represent the Board of Directors at the CASA Washington D.C. Conference, March 14 through 16, 2011, for an approximate cost of \$3,000.

  
JOSIE GUZMAN – CLERK OF THE BOARD  
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APPROVED FOR JANUARY 24, 2011 AGENDA

  
Mark Lawler – General Manager

Ensuring Clean Water for California



# The New Federalism: Reducing the Deficit and Its Impact on CASA Agencies

March 14-16, 2011

Washington, D.C. Conference

Hotel Monaco

700 F Street, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20004



202.628.7177

800.649.1202

[www.monaco-dc.com](http://www.monaco-dc.com)

# Make a difference, join your CASA colleagues in Washington, D.C.

- Lobby influential members of the California delegation on CASA's priorities for the 112th Congress
- Meet key staff members from both House and Senate committees dealing with water quality and natural resources issues
- Hear directly from Representatives, Senators and their staff about how Congress will address the multitude of environmental policy issues impacting CASA members
- Learn how budget deficits and general environmental policies will be addressed during the historic 112th Congress
- Find out the latest efforts to review regulatory burdens imposed on wastewater agencies
- Discuss how to deal with competing economic and environmental mandates directly with senior federal agency officials and key Congressional staff responsible for developing the policies
- Get the inside scoop on the ever-changing political landscape in Washington, D.C.

## Hotel Accommodations

A limited number of rooms have been reserved for CASA delegates at the Hotel Monaco, which will be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis. The cut-off date to reserve rooms under the special CASA discounted rate is Wednesday, February 9, 2011.

**ROOM RATE: \$289.00 per night**  
(single/double occupancy) plus tax

**Hotel Monaco**  
800.649.1202 or 202.628.7177

Please arrange reservations by contacting Hotel Monaco Washington, D.C. by phone, and identify yourself as a CASA member to receive the special rate. A one night deposit is required. The hotel deposit refund policy will require 72 hours cancellation notice.

**HOTEL WAIT LIST:** If you are unable to reserve room at the hotel at our special group rate, please contact Fiona Young at the CASA office to get on the hotel wait list. Anyone who must cancel a reservation should first call Fiona so the special group rate can be transferred to another CASA member on the wait list.

## Invited Guest Speakers

- Barbara Boxer, Senator (D-CA)  
U.S. Senate
- Dianne Feinstein, Senator (D-CA)  
U.S. Senate
- George Miller, Representative  
(D-CA) U.S. House of  
Representatives
- John Garamendi, Representative  
(D-CA) U.S. House of  
Representatives
- Gary Miller, Representative (R-CA)  
U.S. House of Representatives
- Grace Napolitano, Representative  
(D-CA) U.S. House of  
Representatives
- Ken Calvert, Representative  
(R-CA) U.S. House of  
Representatives
- Robert Perciasepe, Deputy  
Administrator, U.S. EPA
- Kevin McCarthy,  
Representative (R-CA) U.S.  
House of Representatives

# Preliminary Program

## Monday, March 14

9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

**Continental Breakfast and Registration**

Location: Paris Ballroom, 4th floor

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Welcome Address

CASA President, Barbara Hockett

10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

**PANEL I - Congressional Overview Panel:  
The 112th Congress Priorities for Change**

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Luncheon**

Briefing for Congressional meetings

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**Keynote Address**

2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Break

2:30 p.m - 3:30 p.m.

**PANEL II - Controlling the Uncontrolled  
Nonpoint Pollution: Is the Chesapeake Bay  
Model the Future?**

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**PANEL III - Washington Inside Out: the  
Fourth Estate's Take on the New Congress**

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

**Hotel Monaco Evening Reception**

Location: Lobby

## Tuesday, March 15

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

**Continental Breakfast**

Location: Athens Ballroom, 4th floor

9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

**PANEL IV - Resources or Waste: Managing  
Wastewater Systems in a Green Economy**

10:45 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Capitol Hill Congressional Meet and Greet**

Small group meetings pre-arranged with the  
Congressional Delegation Members and staff

\* Lunch on your own

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

**CASA Reception on Capitol Hill**

Location: Room TBD

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## Wednesday, March 16

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

**Closing Breakfast with Keynote Speaker**

Location: Athens Ballroom, 4th Floor

9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

**Congressional Visits Debrief**

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 p.m.

**Closing Comments**

CASA President, Barbara Hockett

# D.C. Conference Registration Form

## March 14 -16, 2011

**Register online at [www.casaweb.org](http://www.casaweb.org)**

**Registration deadline: March 1, 2011**

California Association of Sanitation Agencies (CASA)  
 1215 K Street, Suite 2290, Sacramento, CA 95814  
 916.446.0388 phone | 916.231.2141 fax

D.C. communication alerts will be directly sent to the e-mail address listed below.

First Name:	Last Name:
Nickname:	Title:
Agency/Firm:	
Phone:	E-mail:

First Name:	Last Name:
Nickname:	Title:
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Phone:	E-mail:

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Phone:	E-mail:

Yes, please e-mail registration confirmation to:

**Delegate Fee - \$550 per person**

\_\_\_\_\_ No. of Delegates: X \$550 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Guest Fee - \$75 per person**

\_\_\_\_\_ No. of Guests: X \$75 = \_\_\_\_\_

### Payment Method

Please make checks payable to CASA; to pay with CC please register online at [www.casaweb.org](http://www.casaweb.org)

Registration Fees - (choose only one)

- \$25 cancellation fee on or before Friday February 11, 2011
- No refund after Friday, February 11, 2011
- If you must cancel, send a colleague instead. Be sure to notify the CASA office.