

**Dean C. Ringle, P.E., P.S., Franklin County Engineer**

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## **Franklin County Engineers Win Two Prestigious Awards Proudly Representing Ohio**

**(Franklin County, Ohio – April 18, 2014)** --- County Engineers from across the United States gathered together for the National Association of County Engineers (NACE) annual meeting and awards ceremony this week in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. During the meeting, Dean C. Ringle, P.E., P.S., Franklin County Engineer, was named the winner of the 2013 Urban County Engineer of the Year by NACE.

The County Engineer of the Year Award is given to one urban (population greater than 100,000) county engineer who has made extraordinary efforts in engineering management principles and standards for the economic design, construction, maintenance and operation of public works facilities. Ringle was nominated to represent the state of Ohio by the County Engineers Association of Ohio (CEAO). Applications were scored based on major achievements, professional accomplishments and outstanding contributions to their communities. Ringle was elected as the Franklin County Engineer in 2000. He leads a workforce of 186 people at the county engineer's office and is responsible for the maintenance and construction of 271 miles of county roadway and 351 county bridges, as well as the upkeep of storm water facilities within the right-of-way in unincorporated areas of Franklin County.

"I am honored to be recognized by my peers from around the country. There were many outstanding candidates for this award and it is a great honor to represent Franklin County and Ohio," stated Ringle.

In addition to Ringle being named the Urban County Engineer of the Year, Bradley Foster, Franklin County Project Engineer, was named the winner of the 2013 Program/Project Manager of the Year, also by NACE. Foster was the project engineer on the Groveport Road at Alum Creek Drive project which was Ohio's First Flyover Bridge with Double Roundabouts. That project opened in July of 2013.

This is the first time that the awards were given to engineers representing the same county and state, in the same year. John Circle was the only other previous Franklin County Engineer to receive the award, in 1995.



Pictured above: Dean C. Ringle (left), Bradley Foster (right) receive their awards during the National Association of County Engineers annual meeting, April 16, 2014

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