



The 79th Annual County Auditors Conference

October 22 – 24, 2024

21st Century Financial Stewardship



Tuesday, October 22, 2024*

8:45 am - 9:30 am	State Association of County Auditors Legislative Committee Meeting Chad Rinde, CPA Director of Finance County of Sacramento
9:30 am - 10:15 am	State Association of County Auditors Accounting Standards and Procedures Committee Meeting The Honorable Betsy M. Schaffer, CPA, CPFO, CFE Auditor-Controller County of Santa Barbara
10:15 am - 10:30 am	Break - 15 minutes
10:30 am - 11:30 am	State Association of County Auditors Special Meeting & Executive Committee Meeting The Honorable Joe Paul Gonzalez Auditor-Controller County of San Benito
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm - 1:10 pm	Conference Opening Announcements and Pledge of Allegiance The Honorable Edith Driscoll Auditor-Controller and Treasurer-Tax Collector County of Santa Cruz
1:10 pm - 1:20 pm	Welcome from the California State Controller The Honorable Malia M. Cohen
1:20 pm - 1:30 pm	Host County Welcome The Honorable Gail Pellerin California Assemblymember, District 28 County of Santa Cruz
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	A Conversation with California's Fiscal Leaders The Honorable Malia M. Cohen (Moderator) TBD California State Senate Representative TBD California State Assembly Representative Joe Stephenshaw Director, California Department of Finance
2:30 pm - 3:15 pm	Financial Transactions Reporting Awards for Counties and Group Photo California State Controller's Office
3:15 pm - 3:30 pm	Break - 15 minutes
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Modernizing Government Payments with Digital Disbursements Stacy D. Nakintu (Moderator) Senior Analyst, Research & Data Analytics National Association of Counties The Honorable Scott G. Erickson County Clerk and Recorder Knox County (Illinois) Curtis Webb Senior Director, Head of Disbursements Visa Direct North America, Visa, Inc.
4:30 pm - 4:35 pm	Host Announcements/Closing Remarks The Honorable Edith Driscoll Auditor-Controller and Treasurer-Tax Collector County of Santa Cruz

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8:45 am - 9:00 am	Welcome Message The Honorable Bruce McPherson Board Supervisor, District 5 County of Santa Cruz
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Present State of Artificial Intelligence & the Future of Work Kory Asfour IT Business Systems Analyst County of Santa Cruz
10:00 am - 10:15 am	Break - 15 minutes
10:15 am - 11:05 am	California State Controller's Office Updates Division of Audits Local Government Programs and Services Division
11:05 am - 12:00 pm	The Trials and Tribulations of Claim Processing <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> Chad Rinde, CPA Director of Finance County of Sacramento </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> The Honorable Joe Paul Gonzalez Auditor-Controller County of San Benito </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> The Honorable Nathan M. Black, CPA Auditor-Controller County of Sutter </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> The Honorable Joe Harn, CPA Auditor-Controller County of El Dorado </div> </div>
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	GASB Update Lisa Parker, CPA, CGMA Senior Project Manager Governmental Accounting Standards Board
3:00 pm - 3:15 pm	Break - 15 minutes
3:15 pm - 4:15 pm	California's Current Outlook Dr. Somjita Mitra Chief Economist California Department of Finance
4:15 pm - 4:30 pm	Host Announcements/Closing Remarks The Honorable Edith Driscoll Auditor-Controller and Treasurer-Tax Collector County of Santa Cruz

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8:30 am - 8:45 am	Opening Announcements The Honorable Edith Driscoll Auditor-Controller and Treasurer-Tax Collector County of Santa Cruz
8:45 am - 9:45 am	Speak with Confidence Gloria Cohn Founder Gloria Cohn Consulting
9:45 am - 10:45 am	Unlock the Magic of Generative Artificial Intelligence and Automation in Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports and Beyond Gail Gray, CPA Technology Partner Lance, Soll & Lunghard, LLP
10:45 am - 11:00 am	Break - 15 minutes
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	High Impact Financial Crime — Unemployment Insurance Fraud by County Government Employees Robert G. Campbell, CIA, CFE, CRMA Assistant Auditor-Controller and Chief Audit Executive County of Los Angeles Greg Hellmold, CPA, CIA, CFE Chief, Office of County Investigations County of Los Angeles
12:00 pm - 12:10 pm	Final Host Announcements/Conference Adjourns The Honorable Edith Driscoll Auditor-Controller and Treasurer-Tax Collector County of Santa Cruz

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