



NEWS RELEASE

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Caltrans & CHP Annual Litter Enforcement day – Thursday April 21, 2016 ***Keep California beautiful! Don't Trash California!***

CALTRANS – Caltrans and the California Highway Patrol are partnering to increase public awareness of the impacts of highway litter and will have heightened enforcement of litter laws on Thursday, April 21, 2016. The joint effort is one of the many events happening throughout the state, coinciding with Earth Day on Friday, April 22, 2016.



Caltrans crews in the nine Bay Area counties will pick up litter along the highway. The CHP Commercial Mobile Road Enforcement units will focus on litter enforcement and educating drivers to tarp loads. In 2015, 153,000 cubic yards of litter were picked up on the highway system statewide, costing \$76.5 million.

“Litter along the highway is a safety hazard for motorists that can easily be solved,” says CHP Chief Paul Fontana. “Recycle. Tarp your load. It’s good for the environment.”

Caltrans will work at locations around the Bay Area, including the following:

Alameda County: I-880 between Hegenberger Road and 66th Avenue

Contra Costa County: Interstate 680 South Main St. and Olympic on and off-ramps.

Toll Bridges: Bay Bridge, San Mateo Bridge, Dumbarton Bridge, and the Richmond Bridge.

Specialty Regions: Devil’s Slide Tunnels and the Caldecott Tunnel

Community members can adopt a highway through the Caltrans Adopt-A-Highway Program.



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