



DISTRICT 5 DIRECTOR'S REPORT – SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY

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NEWSWORTHY

- Next month, Caltrans plans to install new signs statewide reminding motorists to *Move Over* for highway workers, the California Highway Patrol, other law enforcement personnel and emergency responders. The new signs will feature the following messages: *Move Over or SLOW for Stopped Emergency and Maintenance Vehicles*, and *Move Over or SLOW When Amber Lights Flashing*. In addition, more than 700 existing electronic highway message signs statewide will display, *Move Over or Slow for Workers, It's the Law*. More information is available at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/moveover>.
- Caltrans will host its annual Litter Day on Thursday, April 25, 2013. Every year, the Department spends millions of dollars and thousands of personnel hours picking up litter. During last year's event, Caltrans removed 2,469 cubic yards of litter statewide in a single day. That's enough litter to fill 158 garbage trucks. Comparatively, that was one of the largest removal events in the nation. District 5 will notify the media and the public once a specific location for its annual Litter Day is determined.
- During the last year, Caltrans reduced its on-the-job injuries by more than eight percent statewide. Through the Department's consistent efforts to work safely, the number of these injuries has dropped to a five-year low. We also experienced a 10 percent decrease in preventable motor vehicle accidents. Caltrans continually encourages its employees to review work assignments, identify all potential hazards and strategize the safest way to achieve tasks.

DISCRETIONARY FUNDING

A call for projects will soon be under way for the 2013 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Cycle 6. This program now includes federal funding for High Risk Rural Road (HRRR) eligible projects. Up to \$150 million is expected to be available for this call with the minimum and maximum for each agency anticipated at \$100,000 and \$1.5 million, respectively. Applications will be due in June/July 2013. Caltrans is currently updating the guidelines and application forms, which will be available online soon. More information is available at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/hsip.htm>

LOCAL HIGHLIGHTS

In partnership with the University of California-Davis Pavement Research Center, Caltrans this week began heavy rolling the shoulder of a 1,000-foot section of Highway 1 near Cambria and San Simeon. The rolling is a test to measure the roadway shoulder surface for a smoother bicycling experience along the recently paved portion of Highway 1 in northern San Luis Obispo County. Other research methods include overlay and placement techniques to level the pavement. Local cyclists will also participate in the testing/research effort. The comprehensive investigation is to develop both short and long-term improvements to Caltrans' chip seal program statewide. The first testing and measuring phase is to provide results and recommendations in May 2013. The second phase will explore cost-effective preventative pavement maintenance strategies for optimal bicycle riding, and is scheduled for completion this fall.

Please Submit Maintenance Service Requests at the Following Link: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/maint/msrsubmit/>



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CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Project	Location	Description	Construction Timeline	Construction Cost	Funding Source	Implementing Agency	Project Manager (Resident Engineer)	Contractor	Comments
Highway 1 Estero Bluffs Pull-out (0N400)	On Highway 1, near Cayucos from south of Ocean Ave. to south of Villa Creek Road. (PM 36.7-39.6)	Paving, erosion control and earthwork	Fall 2012- spring 2013	\$1.4 million	STIP	Caltrans	Ken Dostalek (TR)	Pacific Restoration Inc. of Perris, CA	Paving of recently widened area begins in March, weather permitting.
Highway 46 Corridor Improvement (Whitley 1) (330724)	Near Paso Robles from west of Geneseo Road to east of Almond Drive (PM 36.6-41.2)	Widen highway to four lanes	1/3/2011- 1/2013	\$47 million	STIP	Caltrans	John Luchetta (RH)	Papich Construction Co., Pismo Beach	Work continues on grading for new traffic lanes.
Highway 46 Union Landscape Mitigation (330744)	In and near paso Robles from Airport Road to west of Geneseo Road (PM 32.1-36.7)	Highway planting and install irrigation system	9/2011- 1/2012 with 3-year plant establishment	\$385,000	STIP	Caltrans	John Luchetta (TR)	Elite Landscaping Inc., Clovis	Planting work is under way.
Highway 46 Whitley 2A (33077)	On Highway 46 near Paso Robles from just east of Almond Drive to just east of McMillan Canyon Road (PM 41.0/46.3)	Convert to four-lane expressway	Summer 2012-fall 2015	\$38.1 million	CMIA	Caltrans	John Luchetta (TL)	Papich Construction of Pismo Beach	Culverts on north side of widening are completed. Excavation continues along with transporting material to fill areas throughout the project. Sixteen percent of work completed.
US 101 Atascadero Rehabilitation (0G0304)	Near Atascadero from north of Cuesta Grade to Traffic Way (PM 35.6-46.3)	Crack seal & overlay mainline, widen bridges, rehabilitate ramps	3/2010- Spring 2013	\$34.3 Million	SHOPP/ Recovery Act	Caltrans	Lisa Lowerison (RS)	Papich Construction Co. Inc., Pismo Beach	Construction near Curbaril Avenue and the US 101/Highway 58 interchange is scheduled to begin this spring.

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CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS CONTINUED

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US 101 Los Berros to Traffic Way (AG) Median Barrier (0Q620)	From Los Berros Road undercrossing to Bridge Street undercrossing (PM 7.8-12.5)	Construct median barrier	Fall 2012-fall 2013.	\$3.5 million	SHOPP	Caltrans	Amy Donatello	Calportland Co. of Santa Maria	Construction is on-going. Alternating lane closures in both directions will occur overnight daily Sunday through Friday. All median crossings remain open, except one near El Campo Road.
US 101 Santa Maria River Bridges (445904)	Near Santa Maria from just north of Santa Maria connector to US 101/166 (PM 0.0-0.8)	Widen Santa Maria River Bridges and construct bike/ped path across bridge	9/2011 – Winter 2014	\$27 million	STIP, CMIA, Local	Caltrans	Lisa Lowerison	Flatiron West Inc., Benicia	Southbound US 101 on-ramp from Highway 166 is open. Work continues on bike lane and bridge deck.
Highway 166 Gifford Creek Curve Correction (OR3004)	About 25 miles west of New Cuyama from about a mile east of Cuyama River Bridge to 4 miles west of Carrizo Creek. (PM 39.9-40.3)	Construct new bridge	Fall 2012-fall 2013	\$2.1 million	SHOPP	Caltrans	Amy Donatello	Souza Construction of San Luis Obispo	Construction work is on-going behind protective barrier.
Highways 1,46,58, US 101 (OT9004)	Various locations throughout San Luis Obispo County	Replace joint seal and seal bridges with methacrylate	Spring 2012-spring 2013	\$660,200	SHOPP	Caltrans	Kelly McClain	Truesdell Corp. of California Inc., Tempe, AZ	Construction is on-going.

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PROJECTS IN DEVELOPMENT

Project	Location	Description	Construction Timeline	Estimated Construction Cost	Funding Source	Implementing Agency	Project Manager	Phase	Comments
Highway 1 Piedras Blancas Realignment (49280)	On Highway 1 from Point Piedras Blancas to Arroyo De La Cruz Bridge near San Simeon (PM 64.0/R67.2)	Realign highway	Spring 2014 – fall 2016 followed by 3 years plant establishment	\$43.6 million	SHOPP	Caltrans	Paul Martinez	PS&E/RW	Project is in coastal permit process and acquiring right-of-way property.
Highway 46 Estrella River Bridge Replacement (33075)	On Highway 46 near Paso Robles at Estrella River Bridge (PM 39.9/40.1)	Bridge Replacement	Spring 2013-fall 2014	\$4.3 million	STIP	Caltrans	John Luchetta	PS&E/RW	Construction contract awarded to Souza Construction Inc. of San Luis Obispo. Project is on schedule for construction to begin in May 2013.
Highway 46 Whitley 2B (33078)	On Highway 46 near Paso Robles from just east of Almond Drive to just east of McMillan Canyon Road (PM 41.0/46.3)	Convert to four-lane expressway	Scheduled to start in fall 2015	\$47 million	STIP	Caltrans	John Luchetta	PS&E/RW	Project is fully funded through construction in the 2012 STIP. Right of Way parcel appraisals have begun along with coordination with several utility companies.
US 101 North Paso Rehab (0G040)	On US 101 from the San Marcos Creek Bridge in SLO County to Mon County line & in Mon County. (PM 63.2/R69.3)	Rehabilitate US 101	Spring 2015-spring 2018	\$33 million	SHOPP	Caltrans	Amy Donatello	PA&ED	Working on environmental document (negative declaration). Document is to be released for public review in summer 2013.
Highway 46 Retaining Wall (0C330)	On Highway 46 about 1 mile east of Green Valley Creek Bridge (4.1)	Construct soldier pile retaining wall	Spring 2013-fall 2013	\$1 million	SHOPP	Caltrans	Amy Donatello	Nearing construction	Construction is under way.
US 101 Tassajara Median Barrier (0Q630)	On US 101 in San Luis Obispo County, near Santa Margarita (PM 36-37.5)	Construct median barrier	Spring 2013-spring 2014	\$2 million	SHOPP	Caltrans	Amy Donatello	Construction	Construction is suspended until SLO County completes utility work. New target date to begin construction is June 2013.

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