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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### **CALTRANS ANNOUNCES PUBLIC MEETING ON RICHARDSON GROVE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND 3RD AND R STREET MEDIAN PROJECT (EUREKA)**

**Eureka** – Caltrans announced today that a public meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 20 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Wharfinger Building in Eureka. The purpose of this public meeting is to provide information on two upcoming Caltrans projects in Humboldt County, the Richardson Grove Improvement Project and the 3rd and R Street Median Project in Eureka.

The purpose of the Richardson Grove Improvement Project is to allow larger, industry-standard sized trucks access to the North Coast from the south. This project proposes slight adjustments to the current alignment of Route 101 at Richardson Grove without removing any old growth redwood trees.

The purpose of the 3rd and R Street Median Project is to install raised median islands on R Street (Route 255) near the intersection of 3rd Street. These raised median islands will increase safety for pedestrians crossing R Street and direct vehicular traffic. The raised median islands will prevent left turns or cross movements by vehicular traffic at this intersection. Only right turns will be possible when this project is completed.

There will be informational displays on both projects and project staff present to answer questions. A formal presentation on the Richardson Grove Improvement Project, including a question and answer period, will take place from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

Another public meeting on the Richardson Grove Improvement Project will be held at the time of the circulation of the draft environmental document, which is expected to take place in April, 2008.

The Wharfinger Building is located at 1 Marina Way in Eureka. For more information, please contact Kim Floyd, Caltrans Project Manager, at (707) 441-5739.

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