



MEDIA ADVISORY

Today's Date: July 17, 2013
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STATE ROUTE 12 IN SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY TO BE NAMED AFTER FALLEN CALTRANS WORKER

WHO: Carrie Bowen, Caltrans District 10 Director, Caltrans employees and friends and family of Donald Lichliter.

WHAT: A portion of State Route 12 (SR-12) in Lodi from SR-99 to five miles east has been designated as the "Donald Mark Lichliter Memorial Highway." Signs identifying the new designation will be installed and unveiled.

WHEN: Saturday, July 20, 2013, at 10:00 a.m.

WHERE: 845 E. Pine Street in Lodi (Caltrans maintenance facility)

On July 23, 2009, Donald Lichliter, a Caltrans tree maintenance leadworker, was struck and killed while working along SR-99 in Lodi.

Fundraising and donations by Caltrans employees, the International Union of Operating Engineers and Don's family and friends have paid for the signs designating a portion of SR-12, east of SR-99 in Lodi as the "Donald Mark Lichliter Memorial Highway."

In remembrance of their fallen comrade, off-duty Caltrans employees are giving up their Saturday morning to promote awareness of the "Move Over Law" and the "Slow For the Cone Zone" campaign in honor of Don's service to the citizens of California.

Since 1924, 180 Caltrans workers have been killed in the line of duty. One of the biggest hazards is from motorists who do not exercise caution while driving where highway workers are present.

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