



MEDIA ADVISORY

Today's Date: April 20, 2016
District: District 10 - Stockton
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CALTRANS STATEWIDE LITTER PICKUP DAY

WHO: The Caltrans District 10 Maintenance Field Crews
WHAT: The Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will participate in a statewide Litter Removal and Enforcement Day.
WHEN: Thursday, April 21, 2016
WHERE: Along the freeways and roadways in the eight counties serviced by Caltrans District 10.

Caltrans is holding its annual statewide Litter Removal and Enforcement Day on Thursday, April 21, 2016. This activity is to enhance public awareness of the volume and cost associated with removing litter, trash and debris by removing litter along the highways and roadways.

The best anti-litter campaign is to ensure trash never makes it onto our highways in the first place.

In addition to the economic costs, litter presents a wide range of serious threats to the environment and human health: wildlife suffers from plastics in the ecosystem; roadside vegetation is damaged by large debris; fires are started from burning cigarettes; harmful chemicals and biohazards cause a serious threat to human health; litter clogs roadway drainage systems and leads to highway flooding, congestion and accidents; and aids in the spread of disease.

Caltrans maintenance crews will pick up litter in the eight counties serviced by Caltrans District 10. Residents in Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Mariposa, Merced, San Joaquin, Stanislaus and Tuolumne counties will see crews working on highways and freeways throughout the day removing litter and debris discarded by the public.

For the safety of the additional employees that will be on the roadway picking up litter, please Slow for the Cone Zone.

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For more information on the Adopt-A-Highway Program, please visit www.adopt-a-highway.dot.ca.gov or call Kathy Cockayne, District 10 Adopt-A-Highway Coordinator, at (209) 948-7462.

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