



NEWS RELEASE

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Caltrans Holds Worker Memorial

REDDING – Today, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 2 held its annual Workers Memorial at the Weaverville Maintenance Station in Weaverville.

There was a ceremony to honor the twelve district employees, as well as Gary Smith from District 3 (killed November 2010), who lost their lives while serving the people of California. Coworkers placed thirteen orange safety cones in the shape of a diamond caution sign, each bearing the name of an employee killed while on the job. Statewide, there have been 175 Caltrans employees lost since 1924.

“Our state highway workers are exposed to hazardous conditions each day and this event will remember those that gave the ultimate sacrifice while performing their duties and remind everyone to slow for the cone zone,” said District 2 Director, John Bulinski, “It can help save a life.”

Caltrans also recognized its traffic safety partners whose workers are at risk in highway work zones. CHP officials from the Trinity River Area, as well as local dignitaries were in attendance. The Workers Memorial Ceremony is held in conjunction with National Work Zone Safety Week.

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