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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

LITTER CLEAN-UP AND ENFORCEMENT DAY

Wednesday, November 13th, 2013

“Don’t Trash California”

CA State Assemblyman Joins Caltrans and CHP in increasing awareness

(OAKLAND)- Caltrans and the CHP will be joined by California State Assemblyman Rob Bonta in increasing awareness of litter clean-up and enforcement efforts on Wednesday, November 13th, 2013. During the day-long joint-agency effort, highway message signs throughout the Bay Area will remind everyone: “Don’t Trash California”.

Caltrans maintenance crews throughout the Bay Area will focus on cleaning-up litter left alongside highways. CHP will focus on vehicle enforcement and reminds drivers that law enforcement will be on the lookout for litterers. And Assemblyman Bonta and his team will lead the litter clean-up in his assembly district including Alameda/Oakland/San Leandro.

Litter affects everyone’s safety and costs taxpayers a lot of money. Last year, Caltrans spent about \$50 million statewide cleaning up litter and collected enough trash to fill more than 8,000 garbage trucks. And as rainy-season approaches, crews will be clearing-out litter from roadside drains which increases safety and prevents flooding on our highways.

During Wednesday’s event, media ride-along opportunities are available with CHP and Caltrans crews at these and other locations:

San Francisco/Daly City/Millbrae (9 a.m. until 2 p.m.)

Northbound and Southbound U.S. Highway 101 between Sierra Point and Candlestick
Northbound and Southbound Interstate 280 between Westborough and Serramonte Drive

****Oakland Airport Area** (9:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m.)**

Doolittle Drive/Highway 61 between Martin Luther King Park and Swan Way
Photo-Opportunities-CA State Assemblyman Rob Bonta and staff participating in event

Oakland (9 a.m. until 2 p.m.)

Eastbound and westbound I-580 between Lake Park Avenue and San Pablo Avenue

Benicia/Vallejo (9 a.m. until 2 p.m.)

Northbound and southbound I-680 between Lake Herman and I-780
Eastbound and westbound I-80 from the Carquinez Bridge to the I-780/I-80 interchange

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San Jose (9 a.m. until 2 p.m.)

Highway 87 Northbound and Southbound between Santa Teresa Boulevard and Taylor Street

San Mateo (9 a.m. until 2 p.m.)

Northbound U.S. Highway 101 between the Highway 92//101 interchange and 3rd Street

Community members can also “Adopt A Highway” through the Caltrans Adopt A Highway Program.

For information, call 1-866-ADOPT-A-HWY or click onto: <http://adopt-a-highway.dot.ca.gov/>

This is the 10th anniversary year of the Litter Clean-Up event.

Contact Vince Jacala at Caltrans, or Sgt. Diana McDermott at CHP for interviews, photo opportunities, and media ride-along opportunities.

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