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LOCAL PROJECTS ANNOUNCED AS WINNERS IN CALTRANS' EXCELLENCE IN TRANSPORTATION AWARDS

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has announced the winners of its 2010 Excellence in Transportation Awards. Now in its 24th year, the award honors the best transportation projects across the state. In the Bay Area, the following local winners were announced:

Intermodal Transportation

Oakland Airport East Apron Reconstruction – Phase I
O.C. Jones & Sons, Inc.
Port of Oakland

The Highway (Urban)

San Francisco – Oakland Bay Bridge West Approach Seismic Retrofit Project
Caltrans District 4
Tutor-Saliba Corporation
Bay Area Toll Authority
California Transportation Commission

The Excellence in Transportation competition is conducted annually by Caltrans to recognize excellence in transportation design, construction, traffic operations, maintenance, planning, and improvements throughout California, based on the following criteria: Innovative engineering, design or construction; Functional efficiency; Safety, maintenance and operational factors; Compatibility with or enhancement of the environment; Preservation/conservation of natural resources; Visual appeal or impact; Quality of user experience; and Cost Benefit Ratio.

There were nearly 100 entries from across the state, which were reviewed by a panel of judges that included professional engineers, environmental specialists, and transportation planners. Entries were received from local and public agencies, private contractors and consultants, and Caltrans.

Caltrans is proud to showcase its work and the work of its partners in this annual awards program, which recognizes the best of the best. Caltrans congratulates its local winners who worked hard to help build and maintain a transportation system that meets public's mobility needs, enhances the safety for travelers, and supports the California economy.

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