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LITTER DAY ANOTHER SUCCESS!

Oakland – Caltrans staff continues to improve mobility throughout the great state of California with its third quarter “Litter Day”. On August 27, 2008 Caltrans partnered with California Highway Patrol to raise awareness on litter and its impact on statewide traffic. Caltrans maintenance crews, California Highway Patrol, and Adopt-a-Highway groups throughout the nine Bay Area counties participated in cleaning up debris left alongside state roads. We are happy to announce a third quarter decrease in the amount of litter picked up alongside state highways.

The total number of bags of litter picked up in the nine Bay Area counties this quarter was 1,991, which equates to 284 cubic yards if all the bags were stretched out in a straight line. Third quarter results compared to second quarter's results show a decrease of almost 34% in litter being left alongside state highways. Despite litter continuing to be an ongoing problem, with help of our district's constituents and events such as “Litter Day” we expect to see a decrease in negligently discarded debris along state highways.

Caltrans, California Highway Patrol and Adopt-a-Highway would like to thank all who continue to contribute to Keeping California Beautiful.

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