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Press Release

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

WORKER'S MEMORIAL PAYS TRIBUTE TO 183 EMPLOYEES

Caltrans 25th annual ceremony honors employees who have died in the line of duty

Bishop – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will hold its annual Workers' Memorial Ceremony on Thursday, April 23rd at 10:00 a.m. at the Caltrans District 9 Office. This ceremony will be held in coordination with Caltrans Safety Awareness Week. The event is open to the public, and Caltrans would like to encourage everyone to attend.

The Highway Workers Memorial is a time to remember employees who have lost their lives building, maintaining, and operating California's world-class transportation system. Since 1924, a total of 183 Caltrans workers have died in the line of duty. The ceremony will be held in front of the Caltrans District Office located at 500 S. Main Street, Bishop.

This ceremony will feature a temporary memorial of 19 orange safety cones, 7 to honor each of District 9's fallen Caltrans maintenance workers and 12 representing the Districts around the state to honor the Caltrans maintenance workers who have lost their lives.

Speakers will include Brent Green - Caltrans District 9 Director, Captain Tim Noyes - California Highway Patrol, Ray Seguire – Bishop Fire Chief.





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While Caltrans maintenance workers place memorial ribbons on each of the cones to memorialize the fallen employees who made the ultimate sacrifice, Rick Mitchell will perform a special bagpipe tribute.

Reckless or inattentive drivers traveling through Work Zone Areas have caused the majority of work zone deaths. Caltrans and the California Highway Patrol want to remind drivers to stay attentive and undistracted while driving and to be cognizant of workers and vehicles in construction and maintenance areas. Remember to Move Over where possible and slow down while driving through work zones.

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