



*Caltrans*

# Adopt-A-Highway Program

Proposal for MCC  
participation  
June 13, 2018

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# Program Overview

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- ❖ Program established in CA in 1989
- ❖ More than 120,000 Californians have participated
- ❖ 9,706 shoulder miles of highway currently adopted
- ❖ From July 2012 to June 2016, 77,000 cubic yards of litter picked up
- ❖ Savings of \$18,000,000 a year to CA taxpayers



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# Active Adopters

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- ❖ 3,033 active groups
- ❖ 11,594 active participants
- ❖ 73% of adopters are volunteers who perform the work themselves
- ❖ 27% of adopters hire a contractor





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# AAH Opportunities

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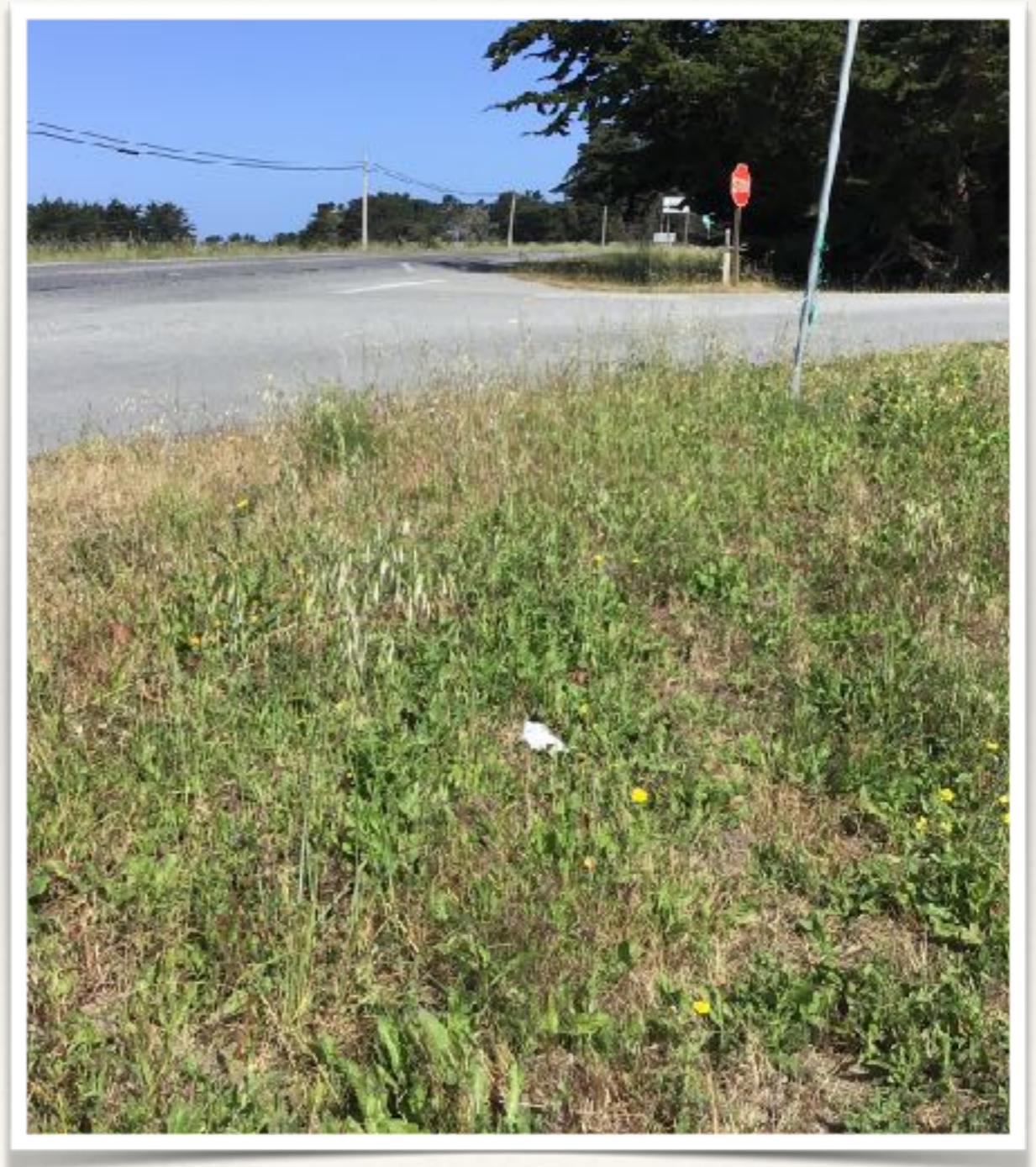
- ❖ Public can donate materials, equipment, and services for roadside maintenance or enhancement
- ❖ Services opportunities include litter removal, graffiti removal, vegetation control, tree planting, and wildflower planting

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# Benefits to Community

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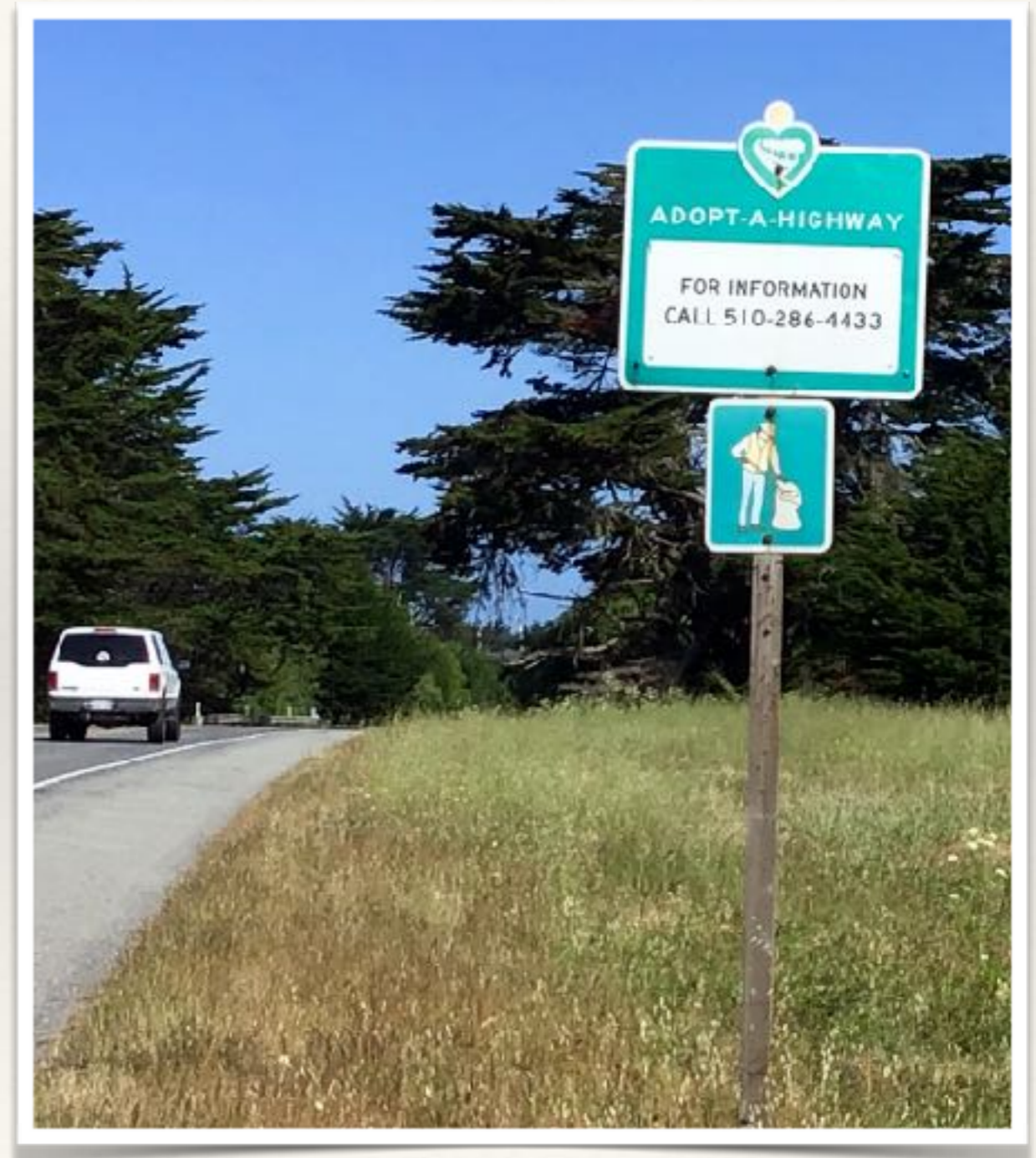
- ❖ Cleaner, more beautiful roadsides
- ❖ Less pollutants entering waterways
- ❖ Civic responsibility and community pride





# Benefits for MCC

- ❖ Increase public profile
  - ❖ AAH courtesy signs with MCC name
- ❖ Confirm commitment to community
- ❖ Extend range of public service
- ❖ Strengthen relationship with Caltrans



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# The Process—part 1

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- ❖ Decide whether or not to adopt
- ❖ Identify a stretch of highway to adopt
- ❖ Confirm site is available for adoption
  - ❖ <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist4/maintenance/adopthwy.htm>

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# The Process—part 2

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- ❖ Complete the application
  - ❖ Determine whether to perform service or hire a contractor
    - ❖ “sponsored adoption”
    - ❖ “volunteer adoption”
- ❖ Choose adoption type (ex. litter removal, graffiti removal, wildflower planting, vegetation control)



# The Process—part 2

- ❖ Generic panel (no cost) or custom panel (cost and regulations)
  - ❖ Generic recognition panel is 30" x 15"
  - ❖ Black lettering with name of sponsoring group
- ❖ Custom panel cost TBD
  - ❖ Caltrans must approve a rendering of the custom panel design




# The Process—part 3

- ❖ Caltrans reviews application and performs site review
- ❖ Caltrans offers site to applicant group
- ❖ Caltrans issues five-year encroachment permit
- ❖ Upon expiration, permit holder can renew for another five years or cancel adoption

STATE OF CALIFORNIA • DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
**ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY PROGRAM APPLICATION**  
 MTCE 018 (REV 07/2009)

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Program applications are subject to review and waiting list. If a requested location is available for adoption, you will be notified and return.

The Adopt-A-Highway Program and its courts are guaranteed a sign. Signs will display the name of the adopter. To be eligible for approval, organizations and businesses may...

**ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY**

**ADOPTION TYPE(S)**

LR: Litter Removal
  VC: Vegetation Control  
 GR: Graffiti Removal
  TP: Tree and shrub Planting

<sup>1</sup>Once a requested location becomes available, you will be required to submit work plans and a...

**ADOPTION SITE(S) REQUESTED: If you do not know a site's post mile range, contact your District Adopt-A-Highway Coordinator.**

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# The Commitment—Caltrans

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- ❖ There are no fees! Not for the program; not for supplies; not for the encroachment permit
- ❖ Caltrans provides all litter removal materials and supplies
- ❖ Caltrans provides safety training for adopting groups
- ❖ Caltrans offers additional documentation





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# The Commitment—MCC

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- ❖ Responsible for a 2.0-mile stretch of highway
- ❖ Both sides of highway; both directions
- ❖ Five-year commitment
- ❖ Need to perform cleaning at least six times per year
- ❖ Must notify Caltrans 5 to 30 days in advance
- ❖ Designated group leader and alt group leader must attend a Caltrans safety orientation meeting before any work can begin



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# Caltrans Resources

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- ❖ James Kennard, District 4 AAH Coordinator
- ❖ Caltrans AAH program web page
  - ❖ <http://adopt-a-highway.dot.ca.gov/>
- ❖ AAH program brochure
  - ❖ [http://adopt-a-highway.dot.ca.gov/AAH\\_Program\\_Brochure\\_02-26-16\\_v2.pdf](http://adopt-a-highway.dot.ca.gov/AAH_Program_Brochure_02-26-16_v2.pdf)
- ❖ Caltrans additional AAH information
  - ❖ <http://adopt-a-highway.dot.ca.gov/infohandouts.htm>

# The Proposal

- ❖ MCC sponsor a stretch of Highway 1 in Moss Beach for five years
- ❖ Section SM 1 Postmiles 34 to 36
- ❖ Generic sign
- ❖ “Volunteer adoption”
- ❖ MCC motion to complete and submit application

