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HOOPA VALLEY INDIAN RESERVATION AWARDED FEDERAL FUNDS TO REPAIR BALD HILL SLIDE

Eureka – The Hoopa Valley Indian Reservation was recently awarded approximately \$900,000 to help repair the Bald Hill Slide. This money came from the Federal Public Lands Highways Program and was administered by Caltrans Division of Local Assistance.

Bald Hill Slide is located on Pine Creek Road in the Hoopa Valley near the Trinity River. Areas impacted by the slide include logging, aggregate development, water services, fisheries restoration in the Trinity River, emergency and medical services, school attendance, power line service, and cellular phone service throughout the Hoopa Valley. A long-term repair will both decrease yearly maintenance costs and prevent road closures.

The Public Lands Highways Program was originally established in 1930 by Congress. The intent of the program is to improve access to and within the Federal lands of the nation.

The Caltrans Division of Local Assistance oversees more than \$1 billion statewide each year available to cities, counties, and regional agencies for improvements to transportation services and infrastructure. The Division of Local Assistance funds over 1,200 projects across the state annually.

The Caltrans District 1 Division of Local Assistance assists Del Norte, Humboldt, Mendocino, and Lake Counties and the cities and regional agencies therein. Currently, there are more than 230 active Local Assistance projects in District 1. Approximately





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150 of the active projects are Emergency Relief projects, for example the administration of funding for Martins Ferry Bridge and Old Arcata Road for the County of Humboldt.

For more information on the Caltrans District 1 Division of Local Assistance, contact Bob Baca, Acting District Local Assistance Engineer, at (707) 445-6399 or Bob_Baca@dot.ca.gov.

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