



STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
GOCALIFORNIA INDUSTRY CAPACITY EXPANSION



**CLOSE-OUT REPORT**

***A2 Increase the Use of Recycle Materials***

Increase the use of recycled asphalt, Portland cement concrete and base materials to address limited supplies and high costs, achieve environmental benefits, and address limited landfill capacity.

Lead: Project Delivery

Project Manager: Tim Craggs

***General Plan***

Increase awareness throughout industry, local agencies and Caltrans of the availability and benefits of recycled materials.

Supported by Rock Products Committee industry associations (Construction Materials Association of California (CMAC), Southern California Rock Products Association (SCRPA), California Nevada Cement Promotion Council (CNCPC), California Precast Concrete Association (CPCA), Northern California Asphalt Pavement Association (NCAPA) & Asphalt Pavement Alliance (APA).

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***Task Description / Problem Statement***

Prepare article for newsletter or website targeting both Caltrans and industry.

Task Manager: Linda Fong

***Background / General Discussion***

Caltrans has a long history of using recycled materials. When existing asphalt and Portland cement concrete on transportation facilities require rehabilitation or have exceeded it's useful life, Caltrans makes every effort to recycle the material back into the roadway.

To ensure front-line awareness and to maximize implementation of recycled products and processes, Caltrans prepared a newsletter article to describe the various transportation related applications of recycled materials promoted by Caltrans. The article elaborates on the various materials that are salvaged or reclaimed from highway construction and demolition activities, the use of waste tire products, composting of plant trimmings from highway right of way, cold foam pavement recycling, recycling of office supplies, and recycling at safety roadside rest areas. The newsletter markets Caltrans' historical commitment to the stewardship of natural resources and its continued search for opportunities to expand and promote innovative uses of environmentally preferable products in transportation projects.



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***Action***

Wrote article titled "Caltrans Leads the Way in Recycling," published in March 2006 edition of "CT News."

***Completion Date***

March 31, 2006