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Help Us Keep Your Local Roadways Clean

The Butte County Resource Conservation District (BCRCD) along with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) are pleased to announce the recent adoption of a four-mile stretch of highway through the Caltrans's Adopt-A-Highway Program. If you've driven on Highway 99 lately, near its junction with Highway 162 you may have noticed new signs stating that the BCRCD and NRCS have adopted sections of the roadway to keep litter free on a monthly basis.

Friday, November 22, 2013 was the first Adopt-A-Highway Volunteer Work Day and it was a complete success! Employees from the BCRCD and NRCS worked alongside local volunteers to pick up litter and make a positive contribution. A total of six volunteers worked diligently for three hours to remove plastic bags, soda cans, and fragments of rubber from four miles of highway. By the end of the day, large shreds of tire were stacked against 12 bags filled with litter. Kelly Peterson, District Manager of the BCRCD, was involved in the cleanup and said that, "Although it's tough work, litter removal from our highways is extremely important and is actually quite fun when it comes down to it because you not only feel like you're making a significant difference, you're also getting to know the person next to you."

Wednesday, January 15, 2014 will be our second Adopt-A-Highway Volunteer Work Day (depending on the weather) to continue this valuable work!



Volunteers are needed from **9 a.m. - 12 noon** to help cleanup litter and make a positive statement to visitors and residents regarding litter along Butte County roadways. Interested volunteers should meet at 9 a.m. at the intersection of Highway 99 and Highway 162 in the parking lot west of Highway 99 (see map). It is recommended to wear long pants, long sleeves, and sturdy boots. Bring your own food and water; safety gear and work supplies will be provided. The BCRCD is currently seeking donations from local businesses to help provide food and water for volunteers on future work days.

The mission of the Butte County Resource Conservation District is to protect, enhance, and support Butte County natural resources and agriculture by working with willing land owners and citizens through education, land management, and on-the-ground projects.

The BCRC and NRCS believe that this Adopt-A-Highway Program is an excellent example of the private and public sectors working together to solve a mutual problem. Please join our conservation team and help us improve Butte County for all! For more information please contact Sam Rossi, Butte County RCD.

