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AGENDA ITEM # **1**

FREEWAY SERVICE PATROL SAFE DRIVER AWARD

Action Requested: Present award

Key Staff: Norman Hom, Associate Planner

Recommendation

Present the Freeway Service Patrol Safe Driver of the Quarter Award for the 1st Quarter of 2008 to ***Everett Redington***.

Discussion

Much of the success of the Sacramento Metropolitan Freeway Service Patrol (FSP) program is due to the exemplary performance of our tow truck and service truck operators in the field. We rely on their professionalism, enthusiasm, and skill to rapidly locate and remove disabled vehicles from the freeway corridor. Since vehicle accidents and mechanical breakdowns are responsible for approximately one-half of all freeway congestion, the work they do has a tremendous impact on maintaining a smooth traffic flow.

The FSP program includes a quarterly and annual award program to acknowledge those drivers who best exemplify the program's ideals of professionalism, enthusiasm, and safety. Multiple criteria—developed jointly by CHP, Caltrans, and STA staff—are considered when selecting drivers to be recognized. These include routine demonstration of safety, service, courtesy and procedural compliance with the FSP Standard Operating Procedures Manual.

The FSP Field Supervisors—CHP Officers Jathan Casteneda and Justin Schroeder—have nominated ***Everett Redington*** for Driver of the Quarter for the 1st Quarter of 2008. Everett is one of the longest-tenured drivers in our program, and has been awarded the Driver of the Quarter award before. Everett currently patrols Highway 80 from the Sacramento County line along the Yolo causeway to Mace Blvd. in Yolo County. We will reintroduce Mr. Redington to your Board today, and further explain why he is deserving of this award.

C: Officer Jathan Casteneda, CHP Sacramento Communications Center
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