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## NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK

ALAMEDA COUNTY –In recognition of the contribution of public works, National Public Works Week is celebrated every year during the third week of May. To this end, the Alameda County Board of Supervisors has proclaimed the week of May 17 through May 23, 2015, as "National Public Works Week." This year's theme is "Community Begins Here." The theme acknowledges the essential nature of Public Works services as the foundation to all communities, and their contribution towards the quality of life enjoyed by all. This week, we celebrate the contributions of Alameda County Public Works Agency employees who strive daily to ensure the highest quality of life is enjoyed by patrons and residents of Alameda County.

Public Works professionals plan, design, build, operate, maintain, and protect transportation systems, flood control systems, and other public infrastructures and facilities vital to the citizens and communities of the Alameda County.

The Alameda County Public Works Agency is a highly respected organization in the field of public works. In 2010, the Alameda County Public Works Agency became the third California County to receive the prestigious APWA Accreditation. The APWA Accreditation program recognizes public works organizations that have adopted best management practices established nationally in the public works industry.

The Alameda County Public Works Agency is also internationally recognized for its excellence and innovation in the areas of flood control, GIS, and transportation design and construction. In recent years, the countries of Australia, New Zealand, and China have sent delegations to visit with staff at Public Works to learn from staff.

"The Alameda County Public Works Agency remains committed to providing the citizens of Alameda County with a safe, well-maintained, and lasting public works infrastructure through accessible, responsive and effective services," said Public Works Director Daniel Woldesenbet. "It is our ongoing goal to provide, maintain and preserve public infrastructure to the highest standard possible while promoting a healthy and sustainable environment that supports safe and livable communities."