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Excellence in Transportation

The State of California Department of Transportation has chosen it's winners for the 2008 Excellence in Transportation Awards, and Restoration Resources' Butte County Highway 149 Mitigation Project won in the Environmental category. There were nearly 90 entries from across the State, which were reviewed by a panel of judges that included professional engineers, environmental specialists, transportation planners, historical preservation architects, and the Seismic Advisory Board. The Department of Transportation received entries from local and public agencies, private contractors and consultants, and Caltrans.

Restoration Resources was contracted by Caltrans District 3 and the Butte County Association of Governments to design, build, and maintain this vernal pool and freshwater marsh mitigation project. Restoration Resources developed a habitat conservation and development plan as well as providing the implementation and management of 30 acres of vernal pools and 7.6 acres of freshwater marsh, among other riparian restoration, while protecting on-site biological resources.

The Highway 149 Mitigation project was completed due to environmental impacts for the Butte 70/149/99/191 Highway Improvement Project which widened State Route 149 in Butte County to a four lane expressway and constructed freeway to freeway interchanges at the existing SR 70/149 and SR 99/149 intersections. The vernal pool and freshwater marsh complex will be used as an education site for students in Butte County to learn about wetlands through Restoration Resources' community outreach program, the Learning Center. The recently launched online Learning Center, developed by credentialed teachers, offers environmental education opportunities, such as field trips and in class science docents, to local schools.

Restoration Resources is a state certified small business specializing in the design, permitting, construction, maintenance and monitoring of wetland, riparian, oak woodland, and endangered species mitigation projects. Restoration Resources corporate offices are located in Rocklin, California and their permanent staff currently stands at 40 full time employees.