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WEEKLY NEWS & INFORMATION FROM THE CALIFORNIA TRUCKING ASSOCIATION



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CTA Takes on City Hall, Wins

Last week, CTA member **Reeve Trucking Company, Inc.** shared with CTA staff that the **City of Santa Cruz** was charging \$125 for an oversized transportation single trip permit through their city. By State law, local cities and counties are not allowed to charge more than \$16.00 for a single trip permit and \$90 for an annual permit.



CTA reached out to the city with a cease-and-desist letter alerting the City of Santa Cruz that their city permit program was in direct conflict with California law. In response, the City has lowered their single trip permit fee down to \$16.00 to align with State law.

Thank you to Reeve Trucking Company for bringing this to our attention. If any other members are aware of other cities overcharging for a single trip or annual oversized or overweight transportation permit, please reach out to Hayden Tallman at htallman@caltrux.org so that CTA can correct their fee program.



Countdown to TDC26

CTA's annual **Truck Driving Championships (TDC)** begins two months from today. Have you registered and made your plans? [TDC26 online registrations](#) are open at Caltrux.com.

This year's first event, for northern California, will be held **April 11 at FedEx Freight's yard in West Sacramento.** The second event, for southern California, will be two weeks later in **Arcadia at Santa Anita Park, on April 25.**

The **state finals then follow at Santa Anita Park on April 26.** Category winners will then go on to compete against their counterparts from across the country at the [National Truck Driving Championships](#) in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania from August 11 thru 14.

Are you up to the task of taking on our state's finest? [Sign up today](#) and begin your journey!

We're also looking for companies to take advantage of a large selection of high-visibility sponsorships. These packages are going fast so don't wait! Here's an example of just a few...

- Awards Sponsor: \$6,000 - Sold**
- Golf Cart Sponsor, SoCal: \$4,000**
- TDC26 Hat Sponsor: \$3,500 - Sold**
- Golf Cart Sponsor, NorCal: \$3,000**
- TDC26 Event Sponsor: \$2,500 - Sold**
- Bubble Scanner Sponsor: \$2,000**
- Scoreboard Sponsor: \$1,500 - Sold**
- Driver Packet Sponsor: \$1,500**
- Running Board Sponsor: \$1,500**
- Deluxe T-Shirt Sponsor: \$800**

Visit caltrux.org/tdc or contact [Tina Ferguson](#) at (916) 373-3528 for more information.



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AWARD/SCHOLARSHIP NOMINATIONS



TUF SOB: Calling All Scholars

The TUF SOB (Truckers United Fraternity Super Offspring of the Boss) scholarship program provides financial support towards furthering the educational goals of trucking's next generation and the industry's future leaders.

Created by CTA members, TUF SOB was created to raise funds and award grants to trucking's next generation.

More than three decades later, the program has provided in excess of \$400,000 in scholarships to over 500 deserving individuals.

TUF SOB scholarship awards go to high school graduates entering college, as well as those continuing their college education. The TUF SOB program also supports those that wish to go to

trade schools, as well as adults wishing to attend college. Anyone who supports the trucking industry is considered, as long as they are sponsored by a CTA-member company.

Click below for the nomination form.

[2026 TUF SOB Application](#)

WEBINARS



Evening Community Meeting: Clean Transportation Incentives

The **California Air Resources Board (CARB)** hosts monthly evening community meetings to provide updates on Clean Transportation Incentives. During these meetings, CARB staff will discuss updates about incentive project funding and implementation for zero-emission transportation and mobility projects.

In this month's meeting, CARB staff will present four topics:

- An overview of Cal Fleet Advisor
- A recap of the December Clean Fleet Connect Public workgroup
- CARB's heavy-duty outreach and engagement events
- An update on the 2025 Evening Community Meetings survey

Date:

Tuesday, February 17

Time:

5:00 - 7:00

Location:

Zoom Meeting/Teleconference

[Click Here to Register](#)

One-Stop Truck Event in Manteca

Join CARB for this free, informational event for medium- and heavy-duty vehicle owners, operators, fleets, motorhomes, and communities. Free admission & Free parking

Date:

Wednesday, February 25

Time:

9:00 to 1:00 (registration begins @ 8:30 a.m.)

Location:

Great Wolf Lodge | Northern California



2500 Daniels Street
Manteca, CA 95337

Registration is required for this event

[Click Here to Register](#)

For a list the next One-Stop Truck Event dates and locations, visit [One-Stop Truck Events](#).



Workshop to Introduce Carl Moyer Program Updates

The **California Air Resources Board (CARB)** has opened registration to participate remotely in the first public workshop to introduce the processes for updating the **Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program (Carl Moyer Program)** guidelines.

During the workshop, CARB staff will provide an overview of the Carl Moyer Program, outline the upcoming process for potential updates to these incentive program's guidelines, and provide an opportunity for public input.

The public workshop will be held via a Zoom meeting:

Date:
Thursday, February 26

Time:
1:30 – 3:30

Location:
Zoom Webinar/Teleconference

All interested parties are invited to attend the virtual public workshop. Please register prior to the event. Upon completion, you will receive an email with information on how to join the public workshop via digital/computer device or telephone on the day of the workshop.

[Click Here to Register](#)

EVENTS

Kern Unit Lamb Fry/President's Night

The sheep are nervous: **Kern Unit's 2026 Lamb Fry** is happening **March 5th in Bakersfield**. If you're a culinary adventurer, this is the certainly place to be on a Thursday night.

The event will be held at the **Woolgrowers Restaurant** at 620 E. 19th St. in Bakersfield.



Registration is now open with special group pricing for sponsor and table packages. [Click here for more information.](#)



Driven to be the best!

Join us in April, as we put California's finest truck drivers to the test to take on the nation at **TDC26**.

April 11 - Northern California TDC
FedEx Freight Yard, West Sacramento

April 25 - Southern California TDC
Santa Anita Park, Arcadia

April 26 - California TDC Finals
Santa Anita Park, Arcadia

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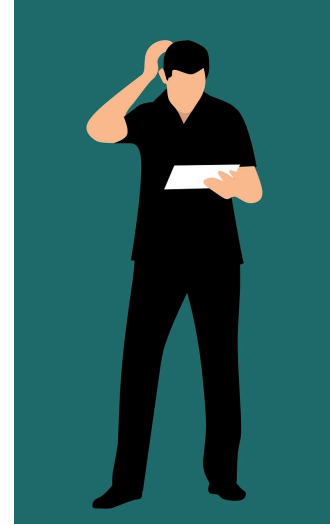
Remember to use the "Help Desk Online Contact Form" when you have a compliance or regulatory question on an issue.

The CTA Help Desk Online Contact Form is an exclusive member benefit designed to help with assisting various questions including:

- Driver qualification rules
- Drug testing questions
- Federal and California motor carrier safety regulations
- Log book/Hours-of-service regulations
- Vehicle load & securement rules
- Environmental regulations
- Hazardous materials regulations

Visit www.caltrux.org/compliance-help-desk/, or email helpdesk@caltrux.org.

Please be sure to include as much detail and information as possible. CTA's Government Affairs team will do their best to get back to you in timely manner.



[Contact the Help Desk](#)

DRIVER SAFETY EDUCATION

Brush Up on Safety Issues With TREDS

CTA is partnered with UC San Diego's [Transportation Research and Education for Driving Safety Center \(TREDS\)](#) to prevent crash-related morbidity and mortality by improving safe driving behaviors.

TREDS offers two courses aimed at preventing commercial motor vehicle-involved crashes from distracted and substance-impaired driving. They partner with the CTA to make courses available to the commercial motor vehicle industry.

Courses are approximately 60-minutes in length and available in both English and Spanish.



Courses focus on distraction related to the use of cell phones and electronic devices and...

- Scope of the problem
- Risk & consequences
- Rules & regulations
- Distracted, fatigued & drowsy driving
- Work zone safety



Courses focus on substances most commonly reported to the FMCSA Drug & Alcohol Clearinghouse and...

- Scope of the problem
- Contributing factors
- Risks & consequences
- Laws & testing procedures
- Strategies to drive-drug free

[Learn More](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

[Upcoming events can be accessed via CTA's Events Calendar](#)



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Circle Club Sponsor companies have shown a special commitment to CTA members and the trucking industry.

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