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## Duffy pulls \$40M from California Over English-only Trucker Rule

The **US Department of Transportation (DOT)** announced Wednesday it is withholding more than \$40 million in federal highway safety funding from California, over the state failing to comply with English language proficiency guidelines for commercial drivers.



“I put states on notice this summer: enforce the Trump Administration’s English language requirements or the checks stop coming,” **Transportation Secretary Sean Duffy** said in a DOT release. “California is the only state in the nation that refuses to ensure big rig drivers can read our road signs and communicate with law enforcement.”

[To read this article, visit Politico.](#)

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## FMCSA Removes Five ELDs from Registered List

Late last week, the **Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA)** removed five ELDs from the list of registered ELDs due to the companies’ failure to meet the minimum requirements established in Title 49 CFR Appendix A to Subpart B of Part 395.

These ELDs now appear on FMCSA’s Revoked Devices list.

ELD Name	Model Number	ELD Identifier	ELD Provider
PREMIUM ELD	PMM	PMM492	ART KILIM INC
TRUE LOGBOOK	2TRUL	TRL584	Clean Aura Corp
Xplore ELD	XPLELD	XPLORE	Xplore Tech Inc
KAMI ELD	KAME-X456	KAM683	KAMI ELD
EVO ELD 1	EVO 1	G711H2	Evo ELD Inc.

**Motor carriers have up to 60 days to replace the revoked ELDs** with compliant ELDs. Motor carriers and drivers who use the ELDs listed above must take the following actions:

- Discontinue using the revoked ELDs and revert to paper logs or logging software to record required hours of service data.
- Replace the revoked ELDs with compliant ELDs from the Registered Devices list before December 16, 2025.



## CVSA Releases 2025 Operation Safe Driver Week Results

Law enforcement officers in Canada and the U.S. pulled over 8,739 vehicles during this year's **Operation Safe Driver Week**. Officers issued 2,504 tickets/citations and 3,575 warnings to commercial motor vehicle (CMV) and passenger vehicle (PV) drivers for unsafe driving infractions.

Operation Safe Driver Week is the **Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance's (CVSA)** annual, seven-day safe-driving initiative aimed at improving drivers' behaviors through traffic-enforcement strategies, interactions with law enforcement, and outreach and awareness campaigns.

CVSA's jurisdictions devote time, personnel and resources to this driver safety initiative because driving behaviors, such as speeding, distracted driving, aggressive driving, etc., are a top cause of roadway crashes.

From July 13 to 19, officers issued 3,230 warnings and 1,839 tickets/citations to commercial motor vehicle drivers, and 345 warnings and 665 tickets/citations to passenger vehicle drivers for various unsafe driving behaviors.

For more detail [visit CVSA's Operation Safe Driver Week results page](#).

## San Joaquin Unit Gathers for Dealer Appreciation Night

Just shy of 100 guests descended upon the headquarters of longtime CTA members **Carole and Ed Rocha's Rocha Valley Enterprises** Wednesday for the **San Joaquin Unit's Dealer Appreciation Night**.

Seated among an impressive collection of classic trucks of all sizes and purposes, those in attendance were treated to a rustic steak dinner followed by both live and silent auctions for a wide array of seasonal and trucking-related items.

The event served not only as an opportunity for friends and colleagues to catch up, but to raise funds for **Cargo Pac**, the political action committee serving the interests of California's trucking industry. For more information on how you can contribute to Cargo Pac, [click here](#).

We appreciate the generosity of this event's sponsors and item donors, as well as the time and effort put in by our volunteer unit leadership.



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## Kern Unit's Annual Clay Shoot "Pulls" a Healthy Crowd

Earlier this month Kern Unit continued its decades-old tradition of taking to the shooting range to blast some clay pigeons for a good cause. More than 100 shooters joined the event at the Kern County Gun Club.

The clay shoot hosted both team and individual competitions, after which a fundraising raffle put a number of rifles, a gun safe, and a variety of outdoor gear up for grabs.

A big thank you goes out to the event's sponsors and organizers.



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## AMC26: ATA's Costello Confirms, Early Bird Discount Almost Gone

*"Driving the economy, steering the future"*

California trucking's largest educational confab, the **CTA 72nd Annual Membership Conference (AMC26)**, hits Monterey's Cannery Row in less than three months - **January 21 to 23**.

Over this three-day event, participate in informative sessions by day and relax among



**72nd Annual Membership Conference**

the extensive amenities by evening in and around the **Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa**.



**Bob Costello, Chief Economist and Senior Vice President for the American Trucking Associations (ATA)** has just confirmed as one of our keynote speakers. We'll have more details to share soon on other exciting programming for AMC26.

Enjoy engaging new experiences with all the classic comfort and quality at this iconic oceanfront luxury hotel. With dozens of things to see and do within walking distance this won't only be a business trip, but also an invigorating change of pace.

Consider taking advantage of our early bird discount - if you're already planning to attend, why not sign up now? **Through October 31 you can receive \$100 off of each registration.** [Click here to register!](#)

The **discounted group room rate of \$289 plus taxes and fees expires on January 5th, 2026.** [Visit Monterey Plaza Rooms](#) to reserve your room online.

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### **CTA Seeks Sponsors for AMC26**

Allied members: are you looking to broaden your brand's reach and trucking industry presence? Consider a sponsorship at AMC26. We've got a wide variety of sponsorships designed for all budgets.

[Visit the AMC26 Registration Page for more information.](#)

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### **Reminder: Vote in Unit Elections by Oct. 31**

Next Friday marks our members' final chance to vote in their local unit elections. Earlier this month CTA sent all eligible members an email with a specialized link to an online ballot featuring the candidates nominated by each unit's steering and planning committee.

Complete your ballot by selecting a candidate listed or write-in a member candidate in the space provided.

**One vote is allowed per member in good standing.**

All votes must be sent in by **Friday, October 31.**

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## TRAINING & WEBINARS



### Oakland Zero-Emission Showcase + Ride & Drive Event

Join the **California Air Resources Board (CARB)** and **CALSTART** next month for a free Zero-Emission Truck and Off-Road Equipment Showcase + Ride & Drive event at the Oakland Coliseum.

**Wednesday, November 5**  
**9:00 am - 3:00 pm**

- Test drive zero-emission medium and heavy-duty commercial trucks and off-road equipment
- Become familiar with the various zero-emission technologies
- Check out dozens of Class 2b-8 trucks, buses, vans, and off-road equipment
- Receive information on incentive opportunities and the **Cal Fleet Advisor** technical assistance program

CARB staff will be available to answer questions regarding a range of programs including **Advanced Clean Fleets** applicable to state and local government fleets, **Clean Truck Check**, and **Off-Road Diesel**, among others.

Free on-site Clean Truck Check Testing. Please note that testing availability is limited and will be performed on a first-come, first-served basis.

[Click Here to Register](#)

### CVSA to Host Webinar Review of Annual Conference & Exhibition

Join the **Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA)** virtually on November 12, when staff will go over:

- New and updated inspection bulletins
- Operational policies
- Inspection procedures and standards



The meeting's agenda will also include other important action items approved by the board at the annual conference in September.

**Wednesday, November 12**  
**10:00 AM**

[Click Here to Register](#)

## EVENTS

**REGISTER NOW!**  
**CALIFORNIA TRUCKING**  
**ASSOCIATION'S**  
**72ND ANNUAL**  
**MEMBERSHIP**  
**CONFERENCE**

**JAN 21-23**  
**2026**



[Click Here for Details](#)



**2026**

Thursday, February 5  
The Dana at Mission Beach  
San Diego

**Now Rescheduled for February!**

[Details Coming Soon](#)

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**CONSTRUCTION UPDATES**

## Sealing Operations Planned for SR41 in Fresno Co. This Week

The **California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)** has announced the scheduled closures for asphalt pavement repairs in Fresno County this week. Maintenance crews will be performing asphalt sealing operations each day within the closure limits listed below.



### On Wednesday, October 22nd from 8:00am to 2:30pm:

- The #2 lane along SB State Route 41 will be closed at Nebraska Avenue to Mountain View Avenue.

### On Thursday, October 23rd from 8:00am to 2:30pm:

- The #2 lane along SB State Route 41 will be closed at Rose Avenue to Saginaw Avenue.

### On Friday, October 24th from 8:00am to 2:30pm:

- The #2 lane along SB State Route 41 will be closed at Floral Avenue to Nebraska Avenue.



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| 1 Drainage Restoration       | 4 Yuba Pass Separation Overhead Bridge     | 7 WB I-80 Restripe |
| 2 Monte Vista Pavement Rehab | 5 Wrong Way Driver Prevention Safety Impr. |                    |
| 3 CMS Sign Replacement       | 6 Soda Springs Pavement Rehab              |                    |

**Caltrans** is reminding motorists of various lane and ramp closures in multiple locations along Interstate 80 (I-80) and State Route 20 (SR 20) as several projects continue in Placer and Nevada counties.

Motorists may experience delays between 30 to 45 minutes and are encouraged to factor in additional travel times along the I-80 Sierra corridor.

Here is the breakdown for this week:

### Eastbound I-80

- Monte Vista Pavement Rehabilitation Project
  - **Between Monte Vista and Drum Forebay, various lane and ramp closures are scheduled around the clock from 7 p.m. Sunday, October 19 through 11 a.m. Friday, October 24.**

- **Baxter on- and off-ramps are closed until further notice. Motorists will detour eastbound to Drum Forebay and return westbound on I-80 to Baxter.**
- **Yuba Pass Separation Overhead Bridge Project**
  - **Between Yuba Gap and the junction with SR 20, various lane closures are scheduled around the clock from midnight Monday, October 20 through 9 a.m. Friday, October 24.**
  - **Yuba Gap off- and on-ramps and eastbound I-80 off-ramp to SR 20 are closed until further notice. Motorists will detour eastbound to Eagle Lakes Road and return westbound on I-80 to SR 20 or Yuba Gap.**
- **Soda Springs Pavement Rehabilitation Project between Troy and Soda Springs, various lane closures are scheduled around the clock from 7 p.m. Sunday, October 19 through noon Friday, October 24.**

### Westbound I-80

- **Emergency Work**
  - **Between Sierra County Line and Farad, various lane closures are scheduled from 7 a.m. to noon Tuesday, October 21 through Friday, October 24.**
  - **Between Floriston and Hinton Road, various lane closures are scheduled from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, October 20 through Thursday, October 23.**
- **Soda Spring Pavement Rehabilitation Project between Soda Springs and Troy, various lane closures are scheduled from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday, October 20 through Friday, October 24.**
- **Yuba Pass Separation Overhead Bridge Project between the junction with SR 20 and Yuba Gap, various lane closures are scheduled around the clock from midnight Monday, October 20 through 9 a.m. Friday, October 24.**
- **Monte Vista Pavement Rehabilitation Project between Drum Forebay and Monte Vista, various lane and ramp closures are scheduled around the clock from 7 p.m. Sunday, October 19 through 6 a.m. Saturday, October 25.**



### Eastbound SR 20

- **Yuba Pass Separation Overhead Bridge Project**

- SR 20 on-ramp to eastbound I-80, scheduled to be intermittently closed or traffic intermittently held from midnight Monday, October 20 through 9 a.m. Friday, October 24. Motorists will experience 30-minute delays during these traffic holds. When closed, motorists will detour westbound to Emigrant Gap and head back eastbound on I-80.
- SR 20 on-ramp to westbound I-80, will be intermittently closed until further notice. When closed, motorists will detour eastbound to Eagle Lakes Road and head back westbound on I-80.

## HELP DESK

### Compliance Confusion? Help Desk Has Your Solutions!

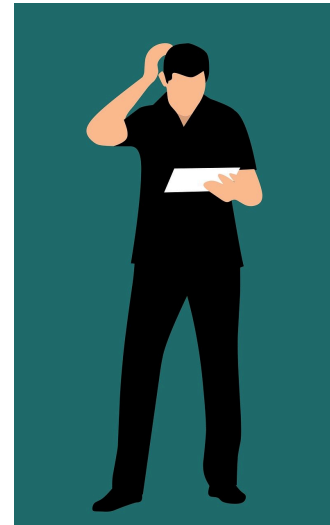
Remember to use the “Help Desk Online Contact Form” when you have a compliance or regulatory question on an issue.

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/](http://www.caltrux.org/compliance-help-desk/), or email [helpdesk@caltrux.org](mailto: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...



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

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Risk & consequences  
Rules & regulations  
Distracted, fatigued & drowsy driving  
Work zone safety

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

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

October 23 - [Webinar: New for Electric Trucks: More Funding, More Range](#)  
October 25-28 - [2025 American Trucking Associations Management Conference & Exhibition \(MCE\)](#).

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

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