

'Context Sensitive Solutions' is a collaborative process between stakeholders to integrate the highway with the natural, built and cultural environments. This collaboration is the hallmark of an exemplary project development effort creating balanced solutions.





**Highway Planting and Irrigation** — Roadside planting integrates roadways into the local settings. We plan and design these features to enhance the traveler experience, improve roadway safety and aesthetics, and optimize environmental mitigation.

**Erosion Control, Revegetation and Habitat Restoration** — These structural and vegetative solutions mitigate impacts of transportation facilities on land forms, and plant and animal communities. We plan and design roadside improvements to reduce stormwater pollution and erosion, and restore habitat connectivity.

**Safety Roadside Rest Areas, Vista Points, and Park and Ride Lots** — Safety roadside rest areas provide safe stopping opportunities for travelers to take a break from driving. We are responsible for developing and implementing a statewide rest area system master plan, and leading design teams for specific rest area projects. We also design vista points, and park and ride lots to provide traveler services.

**Visual Impact Assessment** — We prepare assessments as part of the environmental process to provide analysis of potential changes to the visual environment along highway corridors due to transportation projects. We perform these studies to document expected change, assess public reaction, create visual simulations, and provide solutions to mitigate negative impacts.