

What to Avoid

Stay away from construction sites, mowing activities, open water, bridges, overpasses, or retaining walls that could be dangerous for pedestrians.

Avoid poison ivy or other noxious weeds. Stay away from recently applied herbicides.

Never try to pick up heavy, large or hazardous materials. Notify Clearwater County Highway Department for pickup.

What to Wear

Heavy Gloves

Heavy Leather shoes or boots

Light-colored clothing; brightly colored cap

Hat, long sleeves and sunscreen; insect or tick repellent

High-visibility vest



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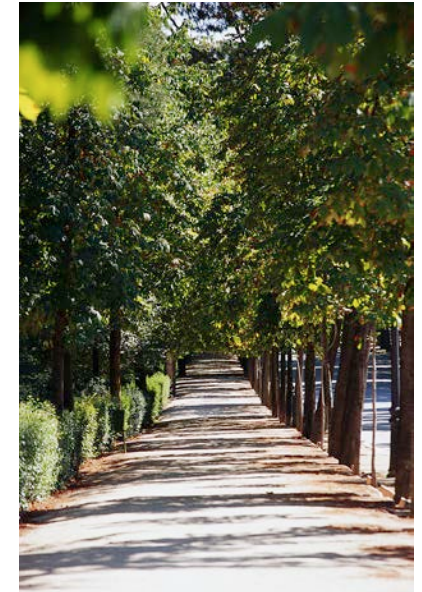
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ADOPT-A-ROAD SAFETY TIPS

Remember

A highway is a dangerous place to be. Every crew member should possess these qualifications:

At least 12 years of age, unless otherwise permitted

Keep children in site at all times.

Have at least one adult supervisor per four children.

Keep group size to less than 10 people

Mentally alert; good common sense

Good physical condition, including sight and hearing

Sense of responsibility for safety of self and others

Supervision for workers under age 18



Plan Ahead

Group leader must review safety with everyone before each cleanup

- Review Safety DVD
- Review items in this pamphlet

Assign work teams and leaders before you reach the site. Distribute trash bags beforehand. Estimate the amount of time for your pickup and agree on a meeting place when you're done.

Carpool to the site to reduce the number of vehicles along the road. Park vehicles on the shoulder outside the white fog line. If there is not enough room to park on shoulder outside white fog line, park in an approach but do not block the approach.

Bring along an adequate first aid kit. Identify the nearest hospital and know how to get there in an emergency.

Don't over exert yourself. Bring along a supply of drinking water and take breaks.

While You Work

Work only during daylight hours during good weather.

Work one side of the road at a time. Do not cross back and forth on the road. Do not work on the road surface or the shoulders.

Whenever possible, face oncoming traffic. Stay alert and be prepared to move out of the way in an emergency. Stay with your team.

Do not wear headsets which could prevent your hearing traffic or other hazards.

Do not crush collected trash to make more room in the bag; broken or jagged objects could cause accidental injuries. Do not put syringes or hypodermic needles in trash bag as they can easily puncture the bag and cause serious injury. Do not pickup unknown or hazardous materials such as animal bodies, broken glass or syringes. Report these items on the "Volunteer sign in sheet" and provide to Clearwater County Highway Department, so we can dispose of them properly.

Do not horse around or do anything to purposely distract drivers.