

MOWER COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY PERMIT

Adopt-A-Highway. The group agrees to pick up litter at least two times a year for a minimum of 2 years.

We request permission to pick up litter on _____

_____ for a total of _____ miles.

The Mower County Public Works Department serves the right to refuse, cancel, or revise this agreement if in its sole judgment the nature of the groups or its sign is political, controversial or in questionable taste, or if the groups is not meeting the terms and conditions of this agreement. By signing this agreement, the group acknowledges the hazardous nature of the work and agrees to comply with the terms and conditions herewith to the satisfaction of the Public Works Department.

Except for the negligent acts of the County, its agents and employees, the volunteers or their agents will be liable for any and all claims for damages, actions or causes of action arising out of the work to be done herein.

Any and all volunteers of the group or other persons while engaged in the performance of any work or service performed under this agreement shall not be considered employees of the County, and any and all claims that may or might arise under the Worker's Compensation Act of Minnesota on behalf of said employees or under persons while so engaged, and any and all claims made by any third part of the group's volunteers or other persons while so engaged on any of the work or services to be rendered shall in no way be the obligation of responsibility of the County.

Name of Group _____
(please print)

Name of Group Representative _____

Signature _____

Address _____

Phone # (home) _____ (work) _____

Name to appear on the sign _____

Special Provisions _____

Mower County Engineer

Date

**** PLEASE CONTACT THE MOWER COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT FOR ROADWAY LOCATIONS THAT ARE AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION BEFORE SUBMITTING THIS APPLICATION****

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ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. The group agrees to pick up litter on a segment of the county highway selected in consultation with Mower County Public Works. Recommended length is three miles. At Mower County's discretion, certain highways may not be eligible.
2. The group shall review the safety training materials before each pickup to alert participants to the hazards and precautions of working on a highway right-of-way.
3. The group shall pick up litter during daylight hours only. Pickups may not be allowed at certain times such as on or near holidays.
4. The group shall provide adequate supervision to participants eighteen years of age or younger. Unless specifically permitted, children eleven or younger shall not participate.
5. Work shall be limited to the area between the outer shoulders and the right-of-way boundary. Work may not be done on the roadways itself.
6. The group shall arrange litter pickup date(s) in advance with the maintenance engineer or his/her designee at the Mower County Public Works Department. The groups shall obtain their supplies during regular business hours.
7. The group shall place filled trash bags on the shoulder slope. Close to the ditch bottom. Mower County will arrange to pick up the bags. Groups are encouraged to recycle appropriate materials for their own benefit.
8. Borrowed or unused supplies shall be returned to the Mower County Public Works Department office upon withdrawing from the program.

The Mower County Public Works Department agrees to:

1. Provide high visibility vests, trash bags, safety training materials and temporary traffic warning signs when necessary as determined by Mower County.
2. Arrange to remove filled trash bags from the adopted highway.
3. Arrange to remove large, heavy or hazardous materials from the adopted highway.
4. Coordinate publicity with the group to solicit local media coverage.
5. Erect a highway sign or otherwise recognize the group's clean-up efforts. Highway signs shall be erected only for groups that agree to adopt a highway for a minimum of two years. The name on the sign shall be limited to two lines of eighteen to twenty characters (including spaces). Mower County reserves the right to approve and/or edit names or acronyms.