# WELCOME TO ALBERTA'S ANNUAL HIGHWAY CLEANUP EVENT

Thank you for taking part in this year's highway cleanup event. Your efforts help Alberta's environment and enhance the province's natural beauty. Your participation is appreciated.

The cleanup event's No. 1 priority is your safety. The guidelines and rules in this pamphlet are designed to make cleanup day as safe and fun as possible. If you are unsure about anything that happens today, please refer to this pamphlet or ask your adult supervisor.

## Have fun and happy picking!

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### PARTICIPANT GUIDELINES AND RULES



### SAFETY RULES

- Please stay off the highway. This includes the paved shoulder.
- Do not chase a wind-blown object onto the highway!
  For example, if your hat blows off or the wind catches your garbage bag and it blows out onto the highway, DO NOT GO AFTER IT! To get it back, tell your supervisor or managing supervisor what happened.
- Do not cross the highway.
- If you are cleaning a divided highway, do not clean the median!
- You must attend a safety training session before you can participate in a cleanup event. No exceptions!
- Pick up anything the size of a chocolate bar wrapper or larger.
- Do not touch, disturb, or pick up dead animals.
- Do not touch, disturb, or pick up any items you are unsure of, such as needles, syringes, or chemical and pesticide containers.
- Leave a garbage bag beside any dead animals or items that you are unsure of. The bag left should be anchored or full enough so that it cannot blow away.
- Leave a garbage bag beside items that are large or heavy. The bag left should be anchored or full enough so that it cannot blow away.
- Do not burn anything.
- Stay away from deep water.
- Clean your hands before eating.
- No pets allowed.

- You need to pay attention to what's going on around you. No headphones, hand-held video games, or talking on a cell phone unless the call is related to the cleanup activities.
- If you see anything you don't believe is safe or anything you're unsure of, please tell your adult supervisor immediately.

### SHUTTLE VEHICLE SAFETY

- Enter or exit the shuttle vehicle on the ditch side of the vehicle only.
- Do not ride in the back of a pickup truck or on the tailgate.
- Wear a seatbelt inside the shuttle vehicle.

### BRIDGE CROSSING PROCEDURE

- Cross under the direction of your adult supervisor.
- Cross on the same side from which you picked up garbage.
- Walk briskly. Don't dawdle or run.
- When a vehicle approaches on your side of the highway, stop walking and face the highway with your back to the bridge.
- Once the vehicle has passed, resume walking.
- Never throw anything off a bridge.

#### RAILWAY TRACKS CROSSING PROCEDURE

- Cross under the direction of your adult supervisor.
- Never stand closer than 5 metres from the tracks when waiting to cross.
- Stop, look, and listen. When the tracks are clear, cross briskly.
- Cross in a group.
- Never stand by the tracks and wave to the engineer. The color of the safety vests indicates danger and the engineer may try to stop the train.
- Do not place any objects on the tracks.

