

KERN COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS



The **Adopt-A-Road** program is the road map to a cleaner county. Individuals, families, organizations, and businesses volunteer to clean-up sections of roads within Kern's County Road System. From Lost Hills to Boron; Shafter to Frazier Park; Lamont to Ridegecrest; flyaway trash, litter and illegal dumping clutter our roads. The Adopt-A-Road program is our way to fight back and take back the place we call home.

Program Basics:

- ↳ You, or your group, volunteer to clean-up a two-mile stretch of roadside for a minimum of two years.
- ↳ You decide on a group contact/leader.
- ↳ You agree to clean it four times per year (more if the area is especially litter-plagued).
- ↳ We feature your group's name on an Adopt-A-Road sign marking your adopted area.
- ↳ **Kern County Public Works** will provide an encroachment permit, safety training, safety vests, trash bags, gloves, post-cleanup trash bag pick-up and disposal. The **Adopt-A-Road** program project costs you nothing but time and energy.
- ↳ You bask in the glory of making a visible difference in the place we all call home.

To Sign-up:

- ↳ Complete an application form online or print out the application and send it to us at:

Adopt-A-Road Program

c/o Kern County Public Works
2700 M Street, Suite 400
Bakersfield, CA 93301 or fax application to 862-8851

- ↳ Feel free to contact us regarding road availability. Remember: the road you choose to clean up must be in the unincorporated area of the County. Public Works Department staff will be happy to help you select a road to adopt.
- ↳ Attend a safety meeting or view the safety video; pick-up your roadside clean-up supplies (gloves, vests and trash bags); select a date and time to conduct the clean-up; contact the Roads Department to register the date, time and location in the master calendar; review the Adopt-A-Road rules and safety tips with your volunteers prior to the event. Clean up and have fun.

Thank you for your time and energy to keep Kern County roads clean!

Volunteer - Planning Worksheet



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The 12 Steps to a Cleaner County!

1. Volunteer to clean-up a Kern County Roadway.
2. Decide on which road you want to clean-up. You may contact County Roads for help.
3. Fill out an application - send via fax, email, or U.S. mail.
4. Attend Safety Program Orientation or view the Safety video.
5. Pick-up clean-up materials including gloves, vests and trash bags.
6. Decide when you want to clean-up the roadside.
7. Contact the **Public Works Department Permitting Division** to register the clean-up date, time and location into the master calendar.
8. Review the rules and safety tips with your clean-up volunteers.
9. Clean-up your two-mile stretch of roadway.
10. Plan to clean-up at least three more times within the year.
11. Take pictures and send them into the Adopt-A-Road email, permit@kerncounty.com. You and your group may be featured on the Kern County Public Works social media page!
12. Accept our sincere appreciation for a job very well done. You have made a difference!

