

**SOLANO COUNTY  
DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCE MANAGEMENT  
PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEERING**

**ADOPT-A-ROAD PROGRAM SAFETY REQUIREMENTS**

First, thank you for your public service. While you undertake this endeavor along the roadside, please remember: ***SAFETY FIRST! YOUR PERSONAL SAFETY IS YOUR FOREMOST RESPONSIBILITY AS YOU WORK.***

To protect yourself and others:

- Vehicles should be parked in safe locations away from the travelled lanes and traffic.
- Stay off paved roadway and shoulders and use caution when crossing roadway.
- Face oncoming traffic as you work and keep an eye on traffic. Be prepared to move quickly, if necessary.
- Discontinue work before dusk and do not work at night.
- Do not attempt to work when fog or other conditions reduce visibility for drivers.
- Do not attempt to work when roadway is icy or wet.
- Do not touch or attempt to remove materials which you suspect may be toxic or hazardous. Items to avoid include powders, chemicals, smelly substances, suspicious packages, chemical drums or containers, weapons, syringes or hypodermic needles, dead animals, broken glass, etc. Notify Solano County Public Works Operations (707-428-4055) of any suspected toxic substances. Notify the Sheriff's Department (707-784-7000) if any weapons are found.
- Do not try to compact trash bags. Injuries from broken or jagged objects may occur.
- Wear the County supplied reflective safety vests whenever you are along the roadside.
- Wear long pants and substantial leather shoes or boots. Watch your footing and stay off steep slopes, drainage facilities or places from which you might fall. Light-colored clothing, long sleeve shirts, hats, sunscreen lotion are recommended during hot weather.
- Do not run, throw objects or engage in horseplay or any other activity which may distract workers or drivers.
- Avoid overexertion. Drink plenty of water, especially on warm days.
- Do not consume alcoholic beverages or drugs before entering, or while along the roadside.
- Be alert for places where snakes may be located. Also, be alert for stinging insects and poisonous plants.
- Call 911 if there are any life-safety risks from injuries or accidents.