



## Safety Tips

Below is a list of suggestions to make sure your cleanup experience is safe!

### DO:

- Attend safety training provided by the Town of Mead Public Works Department
- Park all vehicles clear of the roadway
- Wear gloves or use grabbers
- Drink plenty of fluids
- Wear thick-soled, closed-toe shoes
- Wear long pants and long-sleeved shirts
- Wear sunscreen and bug repellent
- Keep a first aid kit readily available
- Use the “buddy system” and work in teams to maximize safety
- Be aware of your surroundings and potential hazards (passing cars, hazardous tree branches, poison ivy, snakes, etc.)
- Know emergency procedures, such the location of the nearest facility and how to summon an ambulance or the police
- Keep pre-moistened “towelettes” on hand
- Face oncoming traffic
- Wash hands with antibacterial soap after the cleanup

### DON'T:

- Pick up hazardous materials such as hypodermic needles, sharp objects, old car batteries, animal carcasses, or any other unidentified or questionable objects
- Attempt to move large objects. Instead, report this information to Town staff
- Allow minor children to participate in cleanups, unless supervised by an adult
- Perform any activities outside of your physical capabilities
- Use power tools and/or motor driven equipment
- Conduct cleanup near or around construction sites
- Enter the roadway or shoulder
- Schedule cleanups during peak pedestrian or traffic hours
- Conduct cleanups during inclement weather