This SOP describes the picking and disposing of litter and debris by highway employees from stockpiles, yards and highway right of ways.

**Potential Injuries:** Bumps, Bruises, Scraps, Burns, Crushing, Exposure, Eye, Hand, Inhalation, Lifting, Muscle Pull/Strain, Pinch Points, Puncture, Slip, Trip and Fall, Fatigue, Biological (Hanta Virus, H2S), Chemical Exposure.

**Potential P&E Incidents:** Fire, Struck-by, Equipment Failure, Visibility, Weather, Working Alone, and Flying Debris.

Be aware of sharp objects such as glass and needles and the potential for mouse infestations.

If needles or drug related items are found notify the RCMP.

### Litter Pickup
- Activate warning lights.
- Assess work area to identify hazards.
- Take precautions depending on risk (rubber/latex gloves, HEPA filter type respirator/mask).
- Use caution when handling pesticides, herbicides and other hazardous chemicals.

### Litter pickup Right of Way
- Establish work zone.
- Pick only on one side of the right of way at a time.

### Haul Debris
- Haul material to a designated disposal site.
- Make sure to observe any overhead lines that may be in the dumping area.

### Related SOP’s & Manuals
- **Manuals:** TCDM Manual, WHMIS Manual, Maintenance Manual
- **SOP’s:** General Safe Use of Hand Tools, Work Zone Signing, Safe Lifting Procedures, Communication While Driving
- **Training:** Work Zone Traffic Accommodation

Mandatory PPE: Hard Hat, Footwear, and High Visibility Apparel, Appropriate Hand Wear.

Recommended PPE: Coveralls, Eye Wear and Hearing Protection.

Tools & Equipment: Appropriate to the task.