



*GILA COUNTY*  
*ADOPT-A-ROAD PROGRAM*



**The Adopt-a-Road Program offers several benefits to its communities**

It provides a clean environment, gives civic pride to the community, serves as a reminder not to litter and saves tax-payers money.










**Adopt-a-Road is a program where groups volunteer to pick up litter off of Gila County's Roadway system.**

The Adopt-a-Road program is a national litter awareness program. This will give Gila County residents an opportunity to participate in removing litter and save tax-payers money.









Gila County is happy to start this program and get as many residents involved who want to volunteer.

Volunteers may include civic, community, church and business groups and even families.











## WHAT GILA COUNTY PROVIDES TO VOLUNTEERS

-  Erect signs identifying the name of the organization
-  Safety training for organization coordinators
-  Supply litter bags
-  Landfill fees waived for disposal of litter bags (or) bags may be brought to the dumpster at the Gila County Courthouse
-  Send new organizations Certification of Adoption and newsletters
-  Safety vests: Returned once work is complete
-  List of approved areas in the program based on safety considerations
-  Information concerning traffic volume, speed, curves, and number of intersections
-  Recycling opportunities available for groups who wish to use them

## WHAT A VOLUNTEER MUST PROVIDE

-  Two (2) year commitment to pick up litter along a designated stretch of highway
-  Pick up at litter at least two (2) times per year
-  Complete an Adopt-a-Road waiver form signed by each participant in the pickup event
-  Hold a safety briefing before litter pickup
-  Schedule the date/time of pickup with the County Adopt-a-Road contact
-  Designate a member as a coordinator
-  Return a postcard to the County indicating hours worked, number of participants, and number of bags of trash removed
-  Complete and return the Adopt-a-Road Application

## SAFETY RULES FOR VOLUNTEERS

-  Carpool to pickup location and keep vehicles off travelway and shoulder of road
-  Ensure workers wear safety vests provided by the County
-  Always face oncoming traffic
-  Avoid overexertion
-  Stop work in inclement weather
-  Do not remove hazardous substances
-  Avoid areas where herbicides have been applied
-  Avoid contact with noxious weeds
-  Do not pick up items on bridges or on pavement
-  Do not bring children under the age of twelve (12) to the Adopt-a-Road area

**GILA COUNTY**  
**ADOPT-A-ROAD APPLICATION**  
1400 East Ash Street, Globe, Arizona 85501

**APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO USE COUNTY ROAD RIGHT OF WAY**

Application is hereby made for a permit to enter in upon and use a portion of the County Road and to participate in the Adopt-a-Road Program

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Road Name: \_\_\_\_\_ From Milepost: \_\_\_\_\_ To Milepost: \_\_\_\_\_

City (in or near): \_\_\_\_\_

In order to minimize costs and more closely follow FHWA Guidelines, Gila County has modified the method of placing text on Adopt-a-Road (AAR) signs. Please use the following table to place your message. We will not be able to accommodate any other than what will fit within the boxes. Larger text and fewer lines make the message easier to read.

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THIRD LINE

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**By signing, applicant agrees to all provisions (1-12) below.**

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

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**FOR DEPARTMENT USE ONLY**

This application is to pick up litter AT LEAST two (2) times a year on \_\_\_\_\_ subject to the following provisions.

1. Gila County reserves the right to approve, disapprove and/or edit names or acronyms to go on the signs.
2. Work shall be conducted during daylight hours.
3. Workers shall not cross the traveled way of access controlled highways.
4. If weather or other adverse circumstances cause a public hazard, work shall be immediately discontinued.

5. Volunteers performing work under this permit shall wear personal protective clothing, including orange vests, while on County right-of-way.
6. Work shall not be initiated prior to briefing on safety procedures by County's representative.
7. Permittee shall designate a coordinator who shall represent the group. In addition, one (1) adult supervisor shall be assigned by the volunteer organization for each ten (10) children between the ages of twelve (12) and eighteen (18) years of age. No children less than twelve (12) years of age shall be allowed to participate or to remain in the right-of-way assigned to the permittee.
8. Participants personal vehicles shall not be parked within the right-of-way of an access controlled road, and on all other roads shall be legally located off the traveled way so as not to interfere with the free flow of traffic or pedestrians; except, approved vehicles(s) used to transport participants or materials to and from the work site may be parked off the roadway on access controlled highways.
9. This permit is valid for two (2) calendar years from the date of issue and may be renewed with the Department's approval.
10. Each individual shall attend a safety orientation conducted by Gila County prior to entering the County Road right-of-way. The orientation shall include a discussion and explanation of safety requirements.
11. Each participant (or parent or guardian of a minor participant) shall sign a waiver form. The permittee has volunteered to pick up litter in the right-of-way at its own risk. Gila County and its officers and employees shall not be liable for any death, injury, or property damage claims and all the costs associated therewith which arise. If any claim arises out of the foregoing, the permittee shall defend, indemnify and save harmless Gila County and its officers and employees from same. Permittees obligation under this Section shall not extend to any liability caused by the sole negligence of Gila County or its employees.
12. This permit may be canceled by Gila County for failure to pick up litter per agreement or for non-conformance with other permit provisions. Gila County will provide safety training, litter bags and safety vests. Gila County will erect signs showing the volunteer participant of the named organization in the Adopt-a-Road Program. The work order for this will be processed as soon as this permit is approved and the sign will be installed in a timely manner.

**GILA COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION**

**PERMIT AND LICENSE**

**PERMIT NO.:** \_\_\_\_\_

A permit and license is hereby issued to the foregoing licensee for the purpose contained in the application and upon the expressed condition that every agreement and any special provision contained herein is faithfully performed. Work is authorized only for the period indicated below.

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PERMIT EXPIRES:** \_\_\_\_\_

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

# GILA COUNTY ADOPT-A-ROAD WAIVER FORM

Application is made by the undersigned to participate in the Adopt-a-Road pick-up event the Gila County R/W

Permit Number \_\_\_\_\_

## PLEASE FILL OUT AND RETURN THIS FORM PRIOR TO YOUR PICK-UP ACTIVITY

Did you conduct a safety meeting?       Yes       No

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Location (in or near): \_\_\_\_\_      Road Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**HOLD HARMLESS CLAUSE:** The permitted, all its participants, or where the participant(s) is a minor his/her parent or guardian shall indemnify, defend, and save harmless Gila County from any and all claims, demands, suits actions, proceedings, loss, cost, and damages of every kind and description, including attorneys' fees and/or litigation expenses, which may be brought or made against or incurred by the County on account of loss of or damage to any property or for injuries or death of any person, caused by, arising out of or contributed to, in whole or in part, for reasons of any act, omission, professional error, fault, mistake, or negligence of permittee, its employees, agents, or representatives in connection with or incident to the performance of this Agreement, or arising out of workers' compensation claims, Unemployment Compensation Claims, or Unemployment Disability Compensation Claims of employees and/or its subcontractors or claims under similar such laws and obligations. Permittees' and all of its participants' obligation under this Section shall not extend to any liability caused by the sole negligence of Gila County or its employees.

**WAIVER:** The permittee, all its participants, or where the permittee is a minor his/her parent or guardian hereby waives the right to any damages or injury of any kind accruing to the permittee or to any participant arising out of or as a result of use of this permit except said waiver does not extend to any such claim which is caused by the sole negligence Gila County or its offices and employees.

Signature

Print Name

Date

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