



Clarke County Litter Committee
Berryville/Clarke County Government Center, 2nd Floor
101 Chalmers Court, Berryville, Virginia 22611
A/B Meeting Room

Tuesday, March 21, 2023 5:30 pm

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. 2023 Litter Grant Award
 - Finalize letter and order form for Extended Polystyrene campaign
 - Cargo net discussion
 - Supplies overview
4. Planning, Engagement, and Scheduling in 2023
 - Shenandoah River Keepers 4/15/23 event update
 - “Keep Clarke Clean Art & Slogan Contest” update
5. Adopt a Highway
 - Review of approval and requirements
 - Review details of May 2023 pick up event
6. Media Outreach Details
7. Other Business
 - Review action items
8. Adjournment



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<https://www.clarkecounty.gov/government/boards-commissions/litter-committee>

March 22, 2023

Business Owner
Street Address 1
City, ST, ZIP

RE: Ban of Expanded Polystyrene Take-out Containers

Dear Clarke County Business Owner,

This letter is to inform you of the law passed by the Virginia General Assembly that will ban all expanded polystyrene (EPS) food service containers over the next five-to-seven years. This will prohibit EPS use by chain restaurants (with 20 or more locations) in 2028 and independent restaurants and all other food vendors in 2030.

What is Expanded Polystyrene (EPS)?

EPS is a foam material commonly known as "Styrofoam" that is mainly used in the restaurant industry for take-out containers. The reason it is harmful to the environment is that it is found to be non-biodegradable and releases toxic chemicals into the earth that contribute to global warming.



How can the Litter Committee help your business?

Through a grant provided by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), the Clarke County Litter Committee would like to offer your business samples of container alternatives. If you are interested, please complete the attached order form and return it in the self-addressed envelope by Friday, May 12th. The Litter Committee can also provide various online resources and a list of distributors to contact for pricing details.

What can you do?

Start planning and budgeting now for the future by consulting with your distributors to learn more about costs of acceptable materials and how it will affect your business.

To learn more about this law and about expanded polystyrene, please visit:

<https://law.lis.virginia.gov/vacode/title10.1/chapter14/section10.1-1424.3/> or

<https://www.deq.virginia.gov/get-involved/pollution-prevention/greening-of-government/waste-reduction/resources>



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Below is a list of potential distributors that provide alternative EPS containers and products:

<http://www.stockboxes.net/>

<https://www.finelinesettings.com/>

<https://www.finelinesettings.com/>

www.acmepaper.com

www.anchorpackaging.com

www.becompostable.com

www.berryglobal.com

www.boxit.com/fproducts.asp

www.bridge-gate.com

www.cedar-grove.com

www.conver-pack.com

www.ecopaxinc.com

www.ecoproductsstore.com

www.ecosaver.com

www.eggcartonstore.com

www.fold-pak.com

www.goinggreenservices.com

www.greenisgreeninc.com

www.huhtamaki.com

www.lbpmfg.com

www.leonardpaper.com

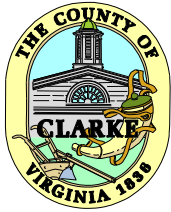
www.lollicupusa.com

www.packnwood.com

www.stalkmarketproducts.com

www.vegwareus.com

www.worldcentric.org



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ORDER FORM TO RECEIVE SAMPLES

Please respond by Friday, May 12th if your business is interested in receiving free sample EPS alternative containers.

| | |
|--|---|
| *BUSINESS NAME | |
| *BUSINESS ADDRESS | Street Address |
| | City ST Zip |
| OWNER NAME | |
| OWNER CONTACT INFO | Phone 1 |
| | Phone 2 |
| | Email |
| How often does your business purchase take out containers? | |
| What is the average cost of your purchase? | |
| What is the name/contact of your preferred container vendor/distributor? | Name |
| | URL |
| | Email |
| | Phone |
| *What type of take out containers does your business use? Please check the all applicable boxes. | <input type="checkbox"/> Large Hinged Clamshell (w/ compartments) |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Hinged Clamshell (no compartments) |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Medium-sized Soup Bowl with Lid |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Large Soda Cup with Lid |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandwich/Hoagie Hinged Container (no compartments) |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | |

***Required information**

Please contact (540) 955-5132 or litterfree@clarkecounty.gov with any questions or concerns. Thank you!

Trash Free Shenandoah Partner Responsibilities

- Partner organizations are responsible for providing cleanup/safety equipment to their volunteers/staff.
- In consultation with SRK, determine cleanup site(s), date(s), perform clean up, properly dispose of trash.
- Take pictures and submit them to SRK TFS2023 Coordinator Frank Filipy, frank.filipy@gmail.com.
- Report types and amount of trash cleaned up to Trash Free Coordinator. You can report the number of bags and number and type of bulk items i.e. tires, furniture, construction materials etc. You can get as granular as you want on this.
- These trash cleanups are primarily an activity for young adults and older as we are working alongside the water's edge and sometimes on the shoulders of busy streets so it really is not an activity for younger river stewards.
- Please ensure that all of your volunteers/staff are covered through your liability insurance, workman's compensation package or complete a liability waiver with your organization.

Shenandoah Riverkeeper Responsibilities

- Coordinate cleanup activities of over one dozen partner organizations and Shenandoah Riverkeeper volunteers across the entire Shenandoah River watershed from Port Republic VA to Harpers Ferry WV.
- Maintain record of all trash cleaned up and provide summary report (including photos) to all partners.

Frank Filipy

Shenandoah Riverkeeper Volunteer
Trash Free Shenandoah Coordinator
571 247-1370
frank.filipy@gmail.com

March 2023

Subject Clarke County Litter Committee - Keep Clarke Clean Art & Slogan Contest

From Matthew Bass <matthew.bass@clarkecounty.gov>

To tinsmanm <tinsmanm@clarke.k12.va.us>, stenbergm@clarke.k12.va.us <stenbergm@clarke.k12.va.us>, polon <polon@clarke.k12.va.us>

Cc info <info@powhatanschool.org>, school office <school.office@keystonebaptist.org>, Kristina Maddox <kmaddox@clarkecounty.gov>, Ashley Harrison <aharrison@clarkecounty.gov>

Date Monday March 13, 2023 7:49:00 PM

Good Evening Teachers & Administrators:

The Clarke County Litter Committee would like to formally welcome students Grades K-8 to participate in the "Keep Clarke Clean" Artwork & Slogan Contest. You can find contest parameters on the attached document.

In addition to being invited to a tree-planting event on Josephine Street on the morning of April 20 where they will be recognized, with their parents' permission winners will have their artwork and slogans placed on road signs throughout the county. Signs are likely to be installed sometime this fall. The art and slogans may also be used on stickers and/or magnets, should the Litter Committee have sufficient funds to purchase them, and would likely be free to anyone who stops by the Litter Committee table at the Farmers Market, Fair, or similar events.

The artwork will need to be able to be scanned, so no 3D art, please.

As stated in the document, ideally we would like whoever is collecting the art and slogans to contact me at the end of the week, or whenever the first batch of submissions are received, so that we can arrange for pickup.

Please print the student's name, grade, and school on the back of the art/slogan page in pencil or light pen.

Do not hesitate to email me or call me (540-535-5425) with any questions or concerns.

Thank you!

Matt

Matthew E. Bass
Clarke County Board of Supervisors
Berryville District
matthew.bass@clarkecounty.gov
(540) 955-5175

Attachments

CLARKE COUNTY LITTER COMMITTEE.docx (15.8 kB)

CLARKE COUNTY LITTER COMMITTEE “KEEP CLARKE CLEAN”

EARTH DAY ART / SLOGAN CONTEST

Schools Involved: DG Cooley, Boyce, JWMS, Powhatan (?), Keystone Academy (?)

Contest Period: Monday, March 13 – Thursday, April 13, 2023

Winner Selection – The Litter Committee will vote on winners during its April 18, 2023, 5:30 p.m. regular meeting.

Winners: Three (3) winners, placed 1st, 2nd, 3rd, will be selected in Grades K-5 and Grades 6-8.

Winners will be invited to attend Josephine Street tree-planting on Thursday morning, April 20, 2023; Artwork/Slogan on display, winners will be recognized as part of the event; Artwork and slogans will eventually be put on signs throughout the County.

Category 1 – Artwork – Create a Painting or Drawing using any medium (Ex.: pen, pencil, paint, crayon, marker, etc.) or combination of mediums, no bigger than 8” x 11” that captures the beauty of Clarke County.

Category 2 – Slogan – Create a Slogan in seven (7) words or less that encourages Clarke County citizens and visitors alike to treat Clarke County and its beautiful environment with respect. (Ex.: “Keep Clarke Clean”)

| Category | 1st Place K-5 | 2nd Place K-5 | 3rd Place K-5 |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Artwork | | | |
| Slogan | | | |

| Category | 1st Place 6-8 | 2nd Place 6-8 | 3rd Place 6-8 |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Artwork | | | |
| Slogan | | | |

Note for Teachers/Administrators – please collect artwork at the end of each week and email or text Matt Bass – matthew.bass@clarkecounty.gov ; 540-535-5425 – to coordinate pickup. Regular pickup will help allow the Litter Committee sufficient time to scan the artwork and create an internal review process.

Please contact Matt Bass or Kristina Maddox (kmaddox@clarkecounty.gov) with any questions.

Subject Approved Adopt A Highway Permit #8-5501081 Clarke County

From Hottle, Cathy <cathy.hottle@vdot.virginia.gov>

To Kristina Maddox <kmaddox@clarkecounty.gov>

Date Wednesday March 15, 2023 11:49:30 AM

Dear Permittee,

Thank you for your interest in Virginia's Adopt-a-Highway Program! Your application to adopt **Route 657 (Senseny Road) from Rt. 632 Triple J Road to Frederick County line, Route 634 (Salem Church Road) from Rt. 657 Senseny Road to Rt. 655 Opequon Road, and Route 655 (Opequon Road) from Rt. 634 Salem Church Road to Frederick County line** in Clarke County, totaling 3.6 miles has been approved (copy of permit attached). By adopting this section of highway, you agree to keep it cleared of litter for a three-year period by performing at least two pickups a year.

Within the next several weeks, Adopt A Highway signs will be posted at the beginning and end of the adopted section. When you make plans for your pickups, stop by your local VDOT office or area headquarters to pick up trash bags, safety vests, and "CLEANUP CREW WORKING" signs. Bags and vests can be kept throughout your duration in the program; however, the Clean-Up Crew Working signs will need to be returned after each pick up.

Please remember to report your pickups at <http://www.virginiadot.org/programs/prog-aah-report.asp>. (If you pick up on a daily or weekly basis, use totals over a few weeks or months). **This reporting helps us recognize your hard work and track the program's effectiveness.**

VDOT is concerned for the safety of Adopt-a-Highway participants. We ask that you also review the "Safety Guidelines" <http://www.virginiadot.org/programs/prog-aah-default.asp> with your group before each pickup.

Please call 540.534.3203 or email cathy.hottle@vdot.virginia.gov if you need additional supplies, your adoption's contact person is changing, or if you have any questions. Thank you for joining us in the fight against litter for a more beautiful Virginia!

Cathy C. Hottle

AOS III Maintenance
AAH/CommonHealth/Coordinator
Edinburg Residency
Virginia Department of Transportation
540-534-3203
cathy.hottle@VDOT.Virginia.gov

On Fri, Mar 3, 2023 at 2:56 PM Kristina Maddox <kmaddox@clarkecounty.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon Ms. Hottle,

Please see the attached application from the Clarke County Litter Committee to adopt sections of three connecting roads - Senseny Rd (657) west of its junction with Triple J to the Clarke/Frederick county line (2.2 miles), the junction with Senseny Rd (657) south ending at the junction with Opequon Rd (655) (.6 miles), and also Opequon Rd (655) to the Frederick/Clarke county line (.8 miles). I've attached a map for further clarification, however, feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your assistance and I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Best regards,
Kristina

Kristina Maddox
Office Manager / Zoning Officer
[Clarke County Planning Department](#)
101 Chalmers Court, Suite B
Berryville, VA 22611
(540) 955-5132

Attachments

Permit #8-5501081.pdf (147 kB)

**Adopt A Highway
Permit File Copy**

Residency: Edinburg

District: Staunton

Run Date: 3/15/2023

Permit #: 8-5501081 # **Routes Adopted:** 1

Total Miles Adopted: 0.77

Permit Status: Active **Renew Date:**

Dates:

Permit Begin Dte: March 15, 2023 **Renew Dte:** March 14, 2026

Name:

Org/Pers: Clarke County Litter Committee
Government / Military

Type:

Contact:

Name: Kristina Maddox

Email: kmaddox@clarkecounty.gov

Address 1: 101 Chalmers Court, Suite B Berryville VA 22611

Home Phone: 0

Work Phone: 540-955-5132

Secondary Contact:

Name: Brandon Stidham

Email 2: bstidham@clarkecounty.gov

Address 2: same

Home Phone: 0

Work Phone: 540-955-5130

Date of last pickup:

Route: 655 **Co/Cty:** Clarke **Miles:** 0.77

Route Name: Opequon Road

Location (To and From): Rt. 634 Salem Church Road/Fred Co line

Sign Installed?

Sign Name: Clarke County Litter Committee

**Adopt A Highway
Permit File Copy**

Residency: Edinburg

District: Staunton

Run Date: 3/15/2023

Permit #: 8-5501081 # **Routes Adopted:** 1

Total Miles Adopted: 0.56
Permit Status: Active **Renew Date:**

Dates:
Permit Begin Dte: March 15, 2023 **Renew Dte:** March 14, 2026

Name:
Org/Pers: Clarke County Litter Committee **Type:**
Government / Military

Contact:
Name: Kristina Maddox
Email: kmaddox@clarkecounty.gov
Address 1: 101 Chalmers Court, Suite B Berryville VA 22611
Home Phone: 0
Work Phone: 540-955-5132

Secondary Contact:
Name:
Email 2:
Address 2:
Home Phone:
Work Phone:

Date of last pickup:

Route: *634* **Co/Cty:** Clarke **Miles:** 0.56
Route Name: *Salem Church Road*
Location (To and From): From Rt. 655 Opequon Road/Rt. 657 Senseny Road

Sign Installed? **Sign Name:** Clarke County Litter Committee

**Adopt A Highway
Permit File Copy**

Residency: Edinburg
District: Staunton **Run Date:** 3/15/2023

Permit #: 8-5501081 **# Routes Adopted:** 1
Total Miles Adopted: 2.28
Permit Status: Active **Renew Date:**

Dates:

Permit Begin Dte: March 15, 2023 **Renew Dte:** March 14, 2026

Name:

Org/Pers: Clarke County Litter Committee
Government / Military

Type:

Contact:

Name: Kristina Maddox

Email: kmaddox@clarkecounty.gov

Address 1: 101 Chalmers Court, Suite B Berryville VA 22611

Home Phone: 0

Work Phone: 540-955-5132

Secondary Contact:

Name:

Email 2:

Address 2:

Home Phone:

Work Phone:

Date of last pickup:

Route: 657 **Co/Cty:** Frederick **Miles:** 2.28

Route Name: Senseny Road

Location (To and From): From Rt. 632 Triple J Rd/Fred Co line

Sign Installed?

Sign Name: Clarke County Litter Committee



Virginia Department of Transportation

Adopt-A-Highway Permit Application

Those person(s) associated with the group named below intend to enhance the environment and improve the appearance of local roadsides through organized litter pickups, and request permission to “Adopt-A-Highway.”

Name of Group/Individual: Clarke County Litter Committee

Type of Group (please circle the closest match): Family/friends -- Individual -- Business -- School group -- Community Group -- Faith-based Organization -- Private Club -- Government/military -- Miscellaneous/other

| | | | |
|---|-------------------------|---|-------------------------|
| Primary Contact: Kristina Maddox | | Secondary Contact: Brandon Stidham | |
| Email Address: kmaddox@clarkecounty.gov | | Email Address: bstidham@clarkecounty.gov | |
| Phone (home): n/a | (work): 540-955-5132 | Phone (home): n/a | (work): 540-955-5130 |
| Mailing Address: 101 Chalmers Court, Suite B | | Mailing Address: 101 Chalmers Court, Suite B | |
| City: Berryville | State: VA ZIP: 22611 | City: Berryville | State: VA ZIP: 22611 |

The work will be performed under and in accordance with the Virginia Department of Transportation’s Adopt-A-Highway *Conditions and Safety Guidelines*, both attached to this permit and incorporated herein by reference. The permit authorizing this work is issued under the VDOT *Land Use Permit Manual* 24 VAC 30-151-10 et seq.

Applicants to whom permits are issued shall at all times indemnify and save harmless the Commonwealth Transportation Board, members of the Board, the Commonwealth, and all Commonwealth employees, agents and officers, from responsibility, damage or liability arising from the exercise of the privileges granted in such permits.

The Virginia Department of Transportation may terminate this permit at any time the applicants do not comply with the permit or at any time, the applicants’ work is deemed unsafe or causes a conflict with traffic. The Department reserves the right to revise or discontinue the Adopt-A-Highway program at any time.

Adopt-A-Highway Application (page 2)

Safety Information

Number of persons between the ages of 10 and 18 participating 10+. No one under age 10 can participate in the program. If there are persons ages 10-17, how many adults will be participating 10+.

Describe any special safety precautions that might be required due to a participant's condition (e.g., uses a wheelchair)

There are no special safety precautions at this time.

Route Information (if you are adopting more than one route, please provide additional information on the back)

Permission is requested to "adopt" a section of Route 657 (Senseny Rd) or _____

Park & Ride parking lot in Clarke County. The section begins at

Rt 657 (Senseny) west of its junction with Triple J Rd and ends at
the Clarke/Frederick county line for a total of

2.2 miles.

We request the following title to appear on the Adopt-A-Highway sign (limit to 48 characters including spaces) Clarke County Litter Committee

I have read and I understand the Adopt-A-Highway Conditions and the Adopt-A-Highway Safety Guidelines regarding participation in the program:

Applicant's signature

Kristina Maddox
Kristina Maddox

Date

3/3/2023

Please return this completed form to:

Coordinator: _____

Residency: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Adopt-A-Highway Application (page 3)

Additional Routes

Permission is requested to "adopt" a section of Route 634 (Salem Church Rd)
or _____ Park & Ride parking lot in Clarke County. The section
begins at the junction with Senseny Rd south and ends at
the junction with Opequon Road (655) for a total of 0 . 6
miles.

Permission is requested to "adopt" a section of Route Opequon Rd in Clarke County.
The section begins at
Opequon Rd and ends at
the Frederick/Clarke County line for a total of 0 . 8
miles.

Notes

Please see the attached map with highlighted roads in lime green. Thank you.

PERMISSION is hereby given insofar as the Commonwealth Transportation Board has the right, power, and authority under Sections 33.1-12(3).1-197, and 33.1-198 of the Code of Virginia (1950) as amended, to grant by permit and/or by the rights granted herein to perform the work as described.

Residency Administrator:

Eathy J. Holtz
for Ed Carter

Date:

3/14/23

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Adopt-a-Highway - Report Your Pickup

Thank you for your participation in the Adopt-a-Highway program.

Please submit a **separate** report for each pickup date.

Permit Number *

Group Name

Email Address *

City or County *

Pickup Date *

Number of Participants

Work Hours

Number of Trash Bags

Items Found

Unusual Items Found

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