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1. PURPOSE

1.1. The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance in the management and prevention of litter in the Municipality of Argyle, and the participation on the part of the applicant to our Community Litter Clean-up Incentive.

2. POLICY OBJECTIVE

- 2.1. It shall be the policy of the Municipality of Argyle to offer an incentive to non-profit groups taking part in the Great NS Pick-Me-Up Litter Clean-up Program to clean litter from the ditches within the Municipality of Argyle within the predetermined program dates.
- 2.2. Preference will be given to groups within the Municipality.

3. PROCEDURE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- 3.1. All groups must complete an application with the Great NS Pick-Me-Up program, provide proof of registration dated within the Municipal incentive program window and sign the Release of Liability form (Schedule A) from the Municipality of Argyle.
- 3.2. Litter collected must be separated into recyclables, organics, and residual waste.
- 3.3. The group is responsible for the plan of disposal of waste.
- a. If the group is not able to dispose of the waste collected the representatives of the Municipality of Argyle may help with pickup and disposal of waste. The group is responsible for making alternate pickup arrangement with Municipal officers prior to pickup and all waste bags should be in one place for easy pickup.
- 3.4. Any recyclable materials such as cans and bottles may be collected and taken away by the group as a fundraiser.
- 3.5. Municipal officials shall provide a package consisting of gloves, waste bags and directions as provided by Waste Check as part of the Great NS Pick-Me-Up program.



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- a. The following is a greater list of safety tips that are to be followed:
 - 3.5.a.1. Wear gloves at all times, and dress appropriately for the weather.
 - 3.5.a.2. Wear sturdy footwear (no open toed shoes), hat, sunscreen, and insect repellent if necessary. Stay hydrated and use proper hygiene especially after the clean-up.
 - 3.5.a.3. Prior to the clean-up, please familiarize yourself with the location.
 - 3.5.a.4. Do not ever pick up needles/syringes, glass, sharp, heavy, or oversized objects or hazardous waste. If in doubt, leave the item for the Municipal Official, and contact us to assess whether it can be handled by us.
 - 3.5.a.5. Do not compress garbage or reach into containers with hands or feet.
 - 3.5.a.6. Do not wade into the water to retrieve items.
 - 3.5.a.7. Avoid walking in the road, or on steep encampments.
 - 3.5.a.8. Do not trespass on private property.
 - 3.5.a.9. Pick up litter only during daylight hours.
 - 3.5.a.10. Work with a partner or group of people and ensure one carries a cell phone.
 - 3.6. Municipal Officials shall reserve the right to inspect during the clean up to ensure that safety practices are being followed. Failure to follow safety practices may result in the group not being considered for future litter clean up initiatives.
 - 3.7. Immediately following the clean-up, the group must and provide the Municipal official with before and after pictures of the cleanup site as well as the completed data sheet. If Municipal Officials are satisfied that the area has been adequately cleaned of debris, then the incentive will be paid.
- 4. LEVEL OF FUNDING**
- 4.1. The level of funding per kilometer, total number of kilometers approved and the total budget for the program will be determined by council on an annual basis.
 - 4.2. Unless provided otherwise by motion, non-profit groups will be paid \$250 per kilometer for cleaning both sides of the highway, up to 5 full kilometers.



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4.3. The total number of approved kilometers shall not exceed 100 kilometers for any given fiscal year.

4.4. A minimum of 1 kilometer must be cleaned to qualify for the incentive.

4.5. Payment will be made to non-profit groups holding the proof of registration for the Great NS Pick-Me-Up program and signature of Risk of Liability form (Schedule A)

5. LIABILITY

5.1. By registration to the Great NS Pick-Me-Up program and signature of the Release of Liability (Schedule A) agreement provided by the Municipality, the group assumes all risk associated or caused by participation in the Municipality of Argyle Litter Incentive program.



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**Schedule A
Community Litter Cleanup Incentive Program**

**Release of Liability agreement, waiver of claims, assumptions of risks and indemnity agreement.
Please read Carefully.**

Non Profit Organization Name: _____
(Please print)

Stretch of road to be cleaned: _____
(Please print)

Date of cleanup: _____

It is understood that in consideration of the Municipality paying the _____ (The Organization) for the cleaning up of the stretch of road identified herein.

The Organization shall defend, indemnify and save harmless the Municipality of the District of Argyle, its elected officials, officers, employees and agents from and against any and all claims of any nature, actions, causes of action, losses, expenses, fines, costs (including legal costs), interest or damages of every nature and kind whatsoever, including but not limited to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death or to damage to or destruction of tangible property including loss of revenue or incurred expense resulting from disruption of service, arising out of or allegedly attributable to the negligence, acts, errors, omissions, misfeasance, nonfeasance, fraud or willful misconduct of the Organization, its directors, officers, employees, agents, contractors and subcontractors, or any of them, in connection with or in any way related to the delivery or performance of this activity. This indemnity shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any insurance to be provided by the non-profit organization in accordance with this activity and shall survive this Contract.

The Organization agrees to defend, indemnify, and save harmless the Municipality of the District of Argyle from and against any and all claims of any nature, actions, causes of action, losses, expenses, fines, costs (including legal costs), interest or damages of every nature and kind whatsoever arising out of or related to the Organization's status with the WCB. This indemnity shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any proof of WCB status and compliance to be provided by the Organization in accordance with this activity and shall survive this Activity.

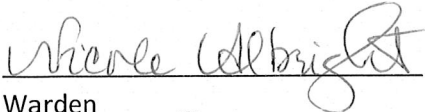
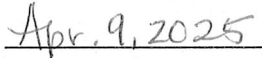

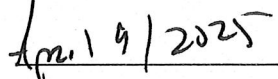
per: _____
Organization _____
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Witness: _____
Date: _____

The Organization, through the signature above, agrees to the terms of this document, including the waiver of certain rights, including the right to sue.



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Chief Administrative Officers' Annotation for Official Policy Record	
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Date of Passage of Current Policy	December 14, 2023
Date of Notice to Council Members of Intent to Consider – Amendment	March 13, 2025
Date of Passage of Current Policy - Amended	March 20, 2025
I certify that this policy was adopted by Council as indicated above.	
 Warden	 Date
 Chief Administrative Officer	 Date