TRASH AND LITTER

100% OF LITTER FOUND AT HIGHWAY SITES IS SCRAPED OFF TO FACILITATE TRAFFIC FLOW.

CIGARETTE BUTTS & FILTERS

BAGS/FOOD WRAPPERS

CIGAR TIPS

FAST FOOD CONTAINERS

PLASTICS

STRAWS & STIRRERS

BEVERAGE BOTTLES (GLASS)

CUPS, PLATES, FORKS, KNIVES, SPOONS

BEVERAGE CANS

BEVERAGE BOTTLES (PLASTIC)

APPROXIMATELY 360 BILLION PLASTIC BAGS ARE USED IN THE U.S. EVERY YEAR. MORE THAN 1,200 BAGS PER US RESIDENT, PER YEAR.

TOP 10 MOST LITTERED ITEMS IN THE UNITED STATES

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IT TAKES ENERGY TO RECYCLE ALUMINUM THAN IT DOES TO MAKE IT FROM RAW MATERIALS.

ONE TRILLION 3,048 TIMES

2X MORE PLASTIC BOTTLES WASTED THAN RECYCLED

95% LESS

25,000 NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS

40 MILLION POUNDS OF LITTER

WV ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

FRIENDS OF DECKERS CREEK HAS CLEANED UP OVER 66,000 POUNDS OF TRASH THIS IS EQUIVALENT TO 66 STEINWAY GRAND PIANOS OR THE AVERAGE AMERICAN’S TRASH PRODUCTION FOR 40 YEARS.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Report issues to your local litter officer
Monongalia County - monac.wordpress.com/litter-complaint or (304) 288-4015
Preston County - (304) 329-7031

Organize a trash cleanup through Friends of Decker Creek.
(304) 292-3970, info@deckerscreek.org

Secure garbage and recycling for curbside pickup in cans with lids and within your vehicle.

Watch for illegal trash dumping or properties that appear to be unsafe or unsanitary.

Take action! Use creekdog.org to report illegal trash issues.

Properly dispose of cigarette butts.

Adopt a highway!
www.dep.wv.gov/dlr/reap

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DECKERS CREEK WATERSHED

WEST VIRGINIA

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY

4,000 MILES OF HIGHWAY

40 MILLION POUNDS OF LITTER

FRIENDS OF DECKERS CREEK

WV ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

642 NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS

208+ NUMBER OF CLEANUPS

66,255 POUNDS OF LITTER

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