

**Comments and Questions From  
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**Carrie Gallagher - Keep America Beautiful:** And, what is the result of being reported for littering? A letter from the local magistrate? Fine? What is the follow-through? Sorry if I missed that comment.

**Phil Barton - Keep Britain Tidy:** In the UK a fixed penalty notice can be issued, but only if the culprit is identified by the public official. What we were able to do was to use this campaign to lobby Government for a change in the law so that the registered owner can be help responsible. We will be following through on this lobby during 2010.

**Pat Mitchell - Auntie Litter:** Next year is Auntie Litter's 20th anniversary too! Congratulations Denise!

**John Rowen - NYSDOT:** It seems the budget constraints is a recurring theme in the last three presentations. It's too bad, AAH is such a cost effective program; in New York, our AAH program had people on about 30 percent of the highways. That's a tremendous savings.

**Pat Mitchell - Auntie Litter:** When people report people littering, what does TxDOT do with that information? Also, I would like to see your survey results. Thanks.

**Brenda Flores-Dollar - TxDOT:** Information submitted to TxDOT via the Report a Litterer program is not kept for any length of time. Meaning, we take the information submitted, cross match it with vehicle registrations and send out the letter to the alleged litterer. This letter lets them know they were seen littering -- date, time, location, what was littered, along with reminding them that they can get a ticket for littering, what the fines are and that the money spent on picking up littering cost them money -- the taxpayer. After we send out notices we delete the information. Information submitted is **not** used for any other program/project, subscription, etc.

Survey results will be posted on our website once they are released, [www.dontmesswithtexas.org](http://www.dontmesswithtexas.org). The following research projects are currently underway, either at the tail end or half way through - Visible Litter Survey, Attitudes and Behavior, and our research project with the schools. I don't anticipate any of our research being released until Feb-March 2010.

**Carrie Gallagher - Keep America Beautiful:** KAB has just released the results of its 2008/2009 Litter Research. Check it out at <http://www.kab.org/research09>. The Highway info will be of interest to everyone.

**Robert W. Hofrichter - VDOT:** <http://www.virginiadot.org/programs/prog-aah-default.asp>

**Phil Barton - Keep Britain Tidy:** If smoking litter is a problem for you, you might enjoy this afterwards...<http://www.keepbritaintidy.org/news/bigcig.aspx>

**Robert W. Hofrichter - VDOT:** We're looking at doing mowing--any tips (or do you have your mowing program requirements on web)? If so, I'd love to see them--[robert.hofrichter@vdot.virginia.gov](mailto:robert.hofrichter@vdot.virginia.gov)--whenever you get the chance.

**Denise Wallman - NDR:** Here's the website you can access for all information on our public ROW mowing program in Nebraska. Let me know if you need further clarification on anything.

<http://www.dor.state.ne.us/hay/>

**Dick Ebeling - PennDOT:** The website to order a copy of the NCHRP survey is <http://www.national-academies.org/trb/bookstore>

**Carrie Gallagher - Keep America Beautiful:** In the past, my registration fee for the annual conference paid for the annual "membership" of KAB. How do we continue as a member?

**Denise Wallman - NDR:** The IAAHA Executive Board will address this issue at our next conference call/business meeting.

**Pat Mitchell - Auntie Litter:** Litter prevention education can be added to the current legislations.

**Denise Wallman - NDR:** Stay tuned and check our website often as to another webinar or if we're lucky an actual conference in 2010!