

MAINTENANCE PLANNING GUIDELINES

01/2014

ACTIVITY: Sweeping
(R31B)
MAJOR & MINOR

ACTION: Sweep & Flush Pavements,
Shoulders, & Bridges (Lane Mile)

DEFINITION: The time and expenses incurred to sweep and flush roadways and bridges except for sweeping and flushing after snow fall.

PURPOSE: To keep small debris from entering enclosed drainage structures, eliminate hazardous conditions, and to improve the appearance of the roadway.

SCHEDULING: All bridges should be cleaned each Spring, as needed, when temperature is above freezing.

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RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT:

- Power Broom and/or Flusher Truck
- Traffic Control Equipment; reference (See EPG [616.23 Traffic Control for Field Operations](#))

RECOMMENDED PROCEDURE:

1. Fill sweeper and/or flusher with water and check broom filler for condition and adjustment.
2. Instruct operators on the planned routing and where to dump the accumulated debris.
3. Place traffic control devices.
4. Operation must move with the traffic.
5. If flushing and sweeping in the same operation, the flusher should proceed ahead of the sweeper.
6. Remove traffic control devices.

RECOMMENDED MATERIAL:

- Water

SAFETY: Follow the [Comprehensive Safety Program sharepoint portal](#). Wear all appropriate PPE. Refer to the [Risk Based Assessment](#) for additional information.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

REFERENCES: N/A