The information below with suggestions for the removal of paint from vehicles has been provided by Ennis Flint, the company that supplies the road paint. The suggestions are provided for your information and consideration. Lane County does not suggest, endorse, guarantee or otherwise warranty the methods or results if these methods are used. Individuals using the methods outlined below do so at their own risk. Lane County will not be responsible for or pay for any damage allegedly caused by using the methods suggested below. Individuals seeking additional information for removal should contact a business that repairs this type of damage, such as a detail shop.

PROCEDURE FOR REMOVING PAINT FROM CARS

As soon as possible after getting paint from road stripes on vehicle, wash the vehicle at a pressure car wash. This will loosen and remove most of the paint unless it has dried for more than a day.

If the car wash does not remove the paint, allow the water to dry off the vehicle. Spray the paint residue with WD-40 and allow the WD-40 to stay on the area for 1-2 hours and rewash the vehicle. The WD-40 will soften the traffic paint without hurting the vehicle finish. If there is a heavy concentration, repeat the procedure.

For heavy accumulations or paint that has dried for several days, apply a liberal coating of Vaseline to the dried traffic paint and allow to stay on overnight. Take vehicle to a pressure car wash and wash. This should remove most of the traffic paint. If not, repeat the procedure.

DO NOT SCRUB THE FINISH WITH A SOLVENT OR SCOURING CLEANSER!!!! THIS WILL DAMAGE THE FINISH.

After cleaning the paint away apply a good wax to the vehicle’s finish. Wax should remove any lasting signs of the traffic paint.

Wheel wells are very difficult to remove the paint from since they are normally a flat finish. Apply a liberal coating of Vaseline to the area and leave for several days and then pressure wash. Applying an alcohol such as Solox or Rubbing Alcohol to the area in the wheel well will help to soften any residue left after the Vaseline. Again DO NOT SCRUB! Just apply with a very wetted rag or sponge.