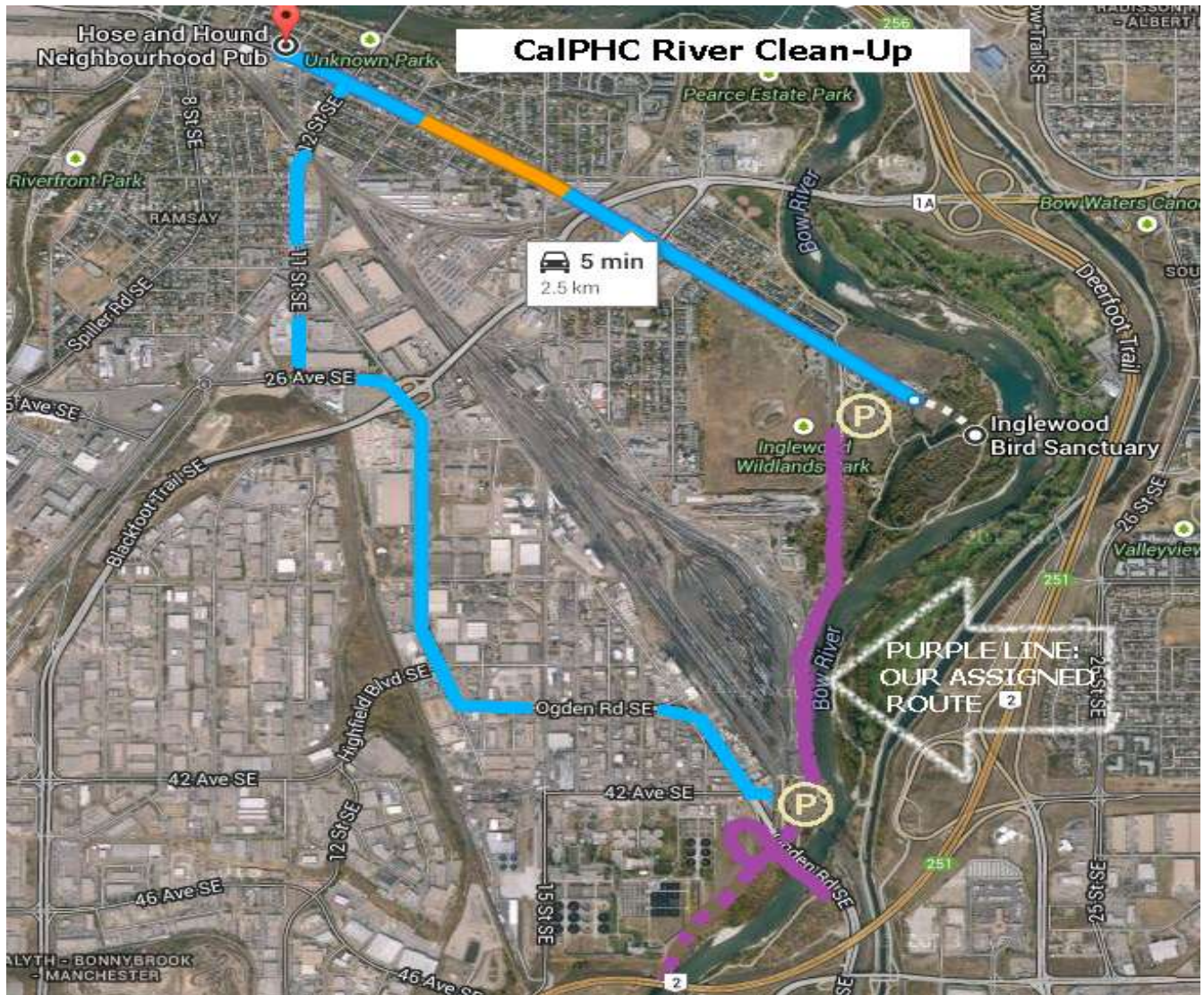


Calgary Parrot Head Club Designated Pathway Cleanup Zone



North Parking: Inglewood Bird Sanctuary Parking Lot

South Parking: 4312 Ogden Road SE (Going south on Ogden Road, turn left at 42 Ave traffic lights).

Mark P.'s cellphone #: **(403) 999-7574**

In Case of Emergency:

Life-threatening injuries: **911**

Non-life-threatening injuries: **(403) 266-1234**

Other Contact #s:

Event Day Volunteer Inquiries: **(403) 554-4590**

City of Calgary Media Relations: **(403) 828-2954**

Encampments / Hazardous Materials / Bylaw Infractions: **311**

Pathway & River Cleanup Guidelines

General Volunteer Guidelines

- Always work with a partner. **Keep a 2-meter distance.**
- Half-fill garbage bags, group them together and place them *beside* the pathway (not on the pathway). See “Handling Garbage” section below.
- Clear (transparent) bags are for recyclable items. You can return them to the depot or leave them for Parks staff to collect.
- **Don’t** touch needles, glass, condoms, knives, or drug paraphernalia. Place an irrigation flag next to them instead. Also mark a trail to the pathway if the item isn’t visible. Report needle locations to 3-1-1.
- **Don’t** go into the water or enter river or stream beds, even if dry.
- Don’t pick up significantly heavy items. If they should be cleaned up, let a driver in your area know, or report the location to 3-1-1.
- **Don’t enter or disassemble illegal campsites.** Inform your group leader of their location.
- Don’t block pathways, and look both ways before crossing them.
- If you see a safety problem, inform your group leader or City staff immediately.

Handling Garbage

- Wear gloves and handle garbage as little as possible.
- Be alert: Look for large objects sticking out of bags.
- Place bags beside existing garbage cans if possible. Alternately group bags together and place 1 meter from paved pathways.
- *Do not compress garbage or reach into containers with both hands.*

Dress Recommendations

- Wear leather gloves, sturdy footwear, and long pants.
- Bring water, snacks, sunscreen, bug spray, hat, and (optional) camera.
- Cellphone: Optional but recommended.

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS

Bird Habitat

- Avoid disturbing birds/nests so we can prevent unnecessary abandonment of eggs or chicks, or predation of an unguarded nest, and avoid disturbing other wildlife.
- If you see birds fly up from the ground or bushes, proceed with caution as there may be a nest nearby that contains incubating eggs.
- Nests are usually circular and made of natural materials, such as down, sticks or grass. Some nests are very small or camouflaged and may be located on the ground or in a shrub or tree. Do not touch or move nests or eggs.
- Many birds display aggressive behaviour when defending their nests, and have been known to injure humans. Walk away if a bird is getting agitated or won’t let you walk near a space, even if you can’t see a nest.

Fish Habitat

- Do not go into the water. Doing so may disrupt or destroy fish habitat.
- Use caution when stepping on riverbanks, to prevent erosion and release of sediment into the water.

Organic Material

- Organic materials are not considered garbage and provide important wildlife habitat.
- Do not remove leaf litter, sticks or other plant materials.
- Leave animal remains alone, because they return nutrients to the environment or could be an archaeological site.

(Please recycle this handout)