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## MDOC fills 32 bags with litter from interstates

JACKSON – Interstate roadsides in the Jackson area were made a little cleaner recently with assistance of inmate labor provided by the Mississippi Department of Corrections.

Responding to public demand and an initiative by local and state government, MDOC joined efforts with the Mississippi Department of Transportation and the City of Jackson to implement a litter removal program for the interstate areas.

The program was launched in February to include Interstate 55, Interstate 20, and Interstate 220. On Feb. 22, MDOC inmates removed enough litter to fill 32 bags. The program also allows the inmates to work off some of their fines.

There is no timeline for completion of the program, but inmates have been seen at work in the efforts to remove litter along the major highways.

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