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RE: CN RIGHT-OF-WAY VEGETATION MANAGEMENT

Dear Mayor,

At CN, we are committed to operating a safe and efficient railway while fostering trust and collaboration with the communities we serve. As part of this commitment, we are reaching out to inform you of our upcoming vegetation management activities in your area, scheduled to take place between April and October 2026. You can find a regularly updated schedule at www.cn.ca/vegetation.

Vegetation management is a crucial component of railway safety and regulatory compliance. In accordance with Transport Canada's requirements, our program mitigates potential risks to railway operations. By proactively managing vegetation, we enhance safety for both rail operations and the surrounding communities.

Management Strategies

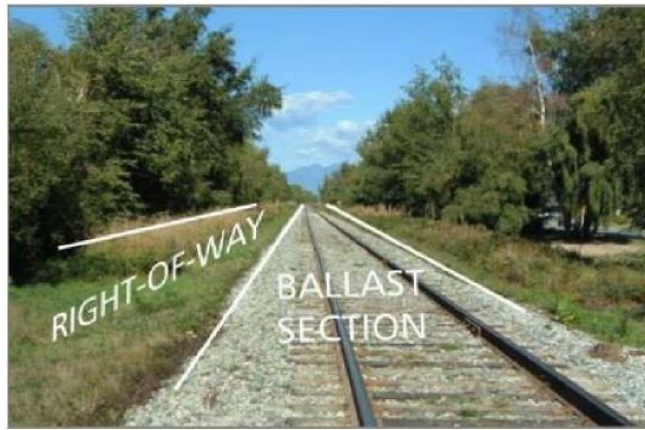
CN manages vegetation using both chemical and mechanical methods to ensure regulatory compliance and maintain safe railway operations. We are sensitive to concerns your community may have regarding chemical vegetation management and at CN, we strive to safeguard our neighbouring communities and the environment.

The track infrastructure is composed of two main sections, the 24-foot ballast section (which is primarily gravel and supports the track structure) and the right of way portion (which is the area outside of the ballast section to the CN property boundary). The use of pesticides is intended within the area to which the pest management plan applies.

Vegetation management using herbicides will focus on the ballast section, and as needed, selected areas around signals and communications equipment that are critical for safe railway operations.

Herbicide application on the ballast section is completed with spray trucks or spray trains fitted with downcast nozzles that spray a short distance above the ground surface with shrouded booms, specially designed to limit herbicide drift to non-target areas.

The right-of-way section may be maintained using mechanical control methods such as mowing, or brush cutting and may include the selected and localized use of herbicides to control invasive plant species, including noxious weeds.



CN has retained professional contractors qualified to undertake herbicide application and mechanical vegetation management on CN property. They are required to follow all laws and regulations that apply to CN, including but not limited to all provisions and requirements outlined in CN's Integrated Pest Management Plan, which is confirmed by the province of BC.

Inquiries

Should your community have any noxious weed removal requests, we ask that you contact CN's Public Inquiry Line at contact@cn.ca or fill out the form at CN.ca/vegetation before June 1, 2026 with the specific information and location. CN will make every effort to include those locations as part of our 2026 Vegetation Management Program. All notices sent after the above-mentioned date will be included in the 2027 Vegetation Management Plan.

We look forward to working with you and answering any questions you may have regarding our vegetation control activities in your community. Please find attached the notices CN is publishing in local papers to advise the public. We would kindly ask that you post copies on your community's website and at City Hall or other central locations for a wider distribution.

For any questions or more information, please contact the CN Public Inquiry Line by telephone at 1-888-888-5909, or by email at contact@cn.ca.

Please also find a list of FAQs regarding the program that may be of further assistance at www.cn.ca/en/vegetation.