

Dear Reeve Carlson:

At CN, we are committed to environmental safety and sustainability. We are reaching out in order to advise you, that we will be undertaking vegetation control activities for safety purposes, in your area between June 24, 2019 and July 31, 2019. This information will also be made available on the CN website (www.cn.ca/vegetation) shortly.

If not managed properly, trees, brush or other vegetation can severely compromise public safety, including by impeding the view motorists have of incoming trains, increasing the risk of crossing accidents. Moreover, unwanted vegetation can damage the integrity of the railway, increasing the risk of incidents, interfere with signals and switches, contribute to track side fires, compromise employee safety, reduce visibility for train crews at road crossings, of signals and other track side warning devices, to name only a few risks. Our annual vegetation control program is designed to mitigate these risks by eliminating brush, weeds and other undesirable vegetation.

For 2019, CN has retained Asplundh Services to conduct vegetation control along its Canadian rail network.

Should your Town/City have any noxious weed removal requests, we ask that you contact CN's Public Inquiry Line at <u>contact@cn.ca</u> before June 26, 2019 with the specific information and location. CN will make every effort to include those locations as part of our 2019 Vegetation Management Program. All notices sent after the above mentioned date will be included in the 2020 Vegetation Control Management Plan.

We look forward to collaborating with you and answering any questions you may have regarding our vegetation control activities in your community. In that respect, please find attached the Notices CN is publishing in local papers in order 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 <u>contact@cn.ca</u>.

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