

# PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION ANNOUNCEMENT

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## Upcoming Rail Vegetation Management

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(Kahnawake - 7, Ohiarí:ha/June 2024) The Public Safety Division of the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke wishes to advise the community that Canadian Pacific Kansas City (CPKC—formerly Canadian Pacific Railway) is authorized to conduct the annual Vegetation Control measures to ensure the safe operation of the trains.

The spraying is scheduled for Tuesday, June 11, 2024, with rain dates set for June 12 or 13. Spraying will take place in the morning and the process will take approximately 20 minutes.

CPKC must follow Transport Canada's Rules Respecting Track Safety and needs to spray the track to control vegetation. All products used by CPKC have been approved by the Health Canada Pest Management Regulatory Agency. Vegetation control products will only be applied to track ballasts, which are 16-feet wide.

"Vegetation management is essential, as it allows certified track inspectors to regularly assess the condition of the railway tracks," said Lloyd Phillips, Commissioner of Public Safety. "Keeping the tracks free of vegetation allows for proper drainage of the ballast (the rocks that hold the ties in place) to minimize degradation of the tracks. The most important issue here is to prevent the possibility of a train derailment and to protect our people." continued Phillips.

To view more information on CPKC Vegetation Control measures, please <u>click here</u>.

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