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Railroad Notifies City of 2009 Vegetation Control Spray Season The City of Eugene has been notified by Union Pacific Railroad that it is beginning the 2009 vegetation control spray program. Spraying is expected to begin April 6 and continue through April 8, weather and train movement permitting. The spray pattern will be 24' wide, 12' on each side from the center of the tracks. Union Pacific will be using the following herbicides: Payload and Landmark, and if necessary, Glyphosate to address emerged weeds.

As part of a Good Neighbor Agreement, Union Pacific notifies the City of Eugene of its intent to spray for vegetation control along the tracks within City limits so that the City can provide that information to the community. The City of Eugene, however, does not control the method of weed control, what is sprayed or when the spraying occurs.

Additional information is available and questions can be submitted at Union Pacific's website: <u>http://www.uprr.com/newsinfo/media\_kit/regional/western/eugene.shtml</u> (also accessible by going to <u>www.up.com</u>, clicking the "media tab" and following the link under regional news and information for the "Western Region- Current Interest")

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