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Hatfield Board of Health  
59 Main Street  
Hatfield, MA 01038

RE: 2024 Yearly Operational Plan  
Vegetation Management Plan  
BERX/Pan Am Railways

Dear Sir/Madam

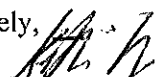
This correspondence serves as formal notification, in accordance with the Pesticide Board Regulations 333 CMR 11.07 and Massachusetts General Law Section 6b of Chapter 132B, that Berkshire & Eastern Railroad will commence with a post emergent herbicide application program on or after May 1, 2024 and conclude on or about August 30, 2024. The specific date of application in your community shall depend upon scheduling and weather conditions. A mixture of the herbicides Aquaneat, Opensight, Polaris AC Complete, and MSO Extra shall be applied with low-pressure spray application by a track mounted hy-rail truck. The purpose of the application is to control nuisance vegetation in the ballast portion of the railroad right-of-way and around switches and signals.

A copy of the 2024 Yearly Operational Plan, which includes Material Safety Data Sheets, a Department of Agricultural Resources approved fact sheet and a sample label for each herbicide is available for download on the web site <http://railroadvmpyop.wordpress.com/about/> or a hard copy may be requested by contacting this office. Notification has been sent by certified mail to the chief elected official, Board of Health and Conservation Commission of each affected community.

Application of the herbicides will be performed by the following certified applicator.

Asplundh Railroad Division  
720 County Road 400  
Ironton, Ohio 45638  
(215) 478-7264

If you should have any questions concerning the above matter, please contact our office at your convenience.

Sincerely, 

Keith Morris  
Environmental Consultant

cc: Berkshire & Eastern Railroad