

A red Canadian Pacific locomotive, numbered 9360, is shown in motion, pulling a train of freight cars. The locomotive features the CP logo on its front. The background is a blurred landscape, suggesting speed. The text 'IN YOUR COMMUNITY' is overlaid on the bottom left of the image.

IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Answers to some of the common questions we receive from
the communities in which we operate.

1 **BLOCKED CROSSINGS**

Canadian Railway Operating Rules (CROR) establish that any movement of a train cannot stand still on a public grade crossing for a period longer than five minutes when vehicular or pedestrian traffic require passage. If a train is shunting (switching) over a public grade crossing, the crew must clear the crossing every five minutes to allow vehicle or pedestrian passage. When an emergency vehicle requires passage, employees must cooperate to quickly clear the involved public grade crossing.

2 **TRAIN SPEED**

There are different allowable train speeds for every section of track depending on curves, grades, gauge of rail and other factors. Permissible speeds are strictly regulated by CP and are monitored by Transport Canada. While CP trains do not exceed maximum permissible speeds, they may move at slower speeds, as dictated by operational requirements.

3 **CONDITION OF CROSSINGS AND NEARBY ROADS**

CP is responsible for maintaining the condition of its public grade crossings within 12" from the tracks – essentially from one end of the rail tie to the other. The Road Authority maintains the road approach outside of this, including issues related to potholes and road signage. If the condition of a crossing threatens the safety of the public or employees, engineering services will promptly review and address the concern.

4 TRAIN WHISTLES

Locomotive whistles are significant safety appliances which save lives by serving as the last warning of an approaching train. In Canada, train whistle use is regulated under a strict set of federal regulations governed by the CROR. Transport Canada monitors railway operations to ensure train crews are in compliance with all rules and regulations.

Under CROR rules, train whistles at all public grade crossings must be sounded in a sequence of 2-long, 1-short, 1-long sounds. The train whistle sequence is initiated at least $\frac{1}{4}$ mile before each public grade crossing, and the last long whistle must be sounded until the public grade crossing is fully occupied by the train. These rules apply 24/7 and

whistles must be sounded even if a crossing is equipped with flashing lights, bells and gates. In all cases when train crews observe persons or animals on or near CP tracks, whistles will be sounded in an attempt to warn of an approaching train.

While CP strongly discourages the elimination of train whistles given their life-saving functions, communities seeking to apply for a whistle cessation must contact the applicable railway company and review Transport Canada's whistle cessation guidelines at www.tc.gc.ca

5 PROXIMITY GUIDELINES

Issues ranging from noise and vibrations of train operations and idling locomotives, to blocked public grade crossings, are common concerns in many municipalities. In order to build common approaches to the prevention and resolution of issues that arise when people live and work in close proximity to railway operations, The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and the Railway Association of Canada (RAC) have jointly created a Proximity Guideline program. To learn more, visit www.proximityissues.ca

6 TRAIN CARGO

Trains carry a wide variety of goods, from ice cream and cereal to auto parts, lumber, grain and coal. Most of the items you see in stores have been moved by rail at some point, and in fact, a single train can replace up to 280 trucks from tax funded roadways. CP trains can also carry regulated materials, although this makes up only about 13% of our overall freight movements. CP is a Responsible Care® partner with the Canadian Chemical Producers Association (CCPA) and American Chemistry Council (ACC).

7 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLANNING

At CP we are committed to protecting the safety of our employees, the environment, and the communities in which we operate. We demonstrate this commitment by assisting and participating in emergency preparedness planning, communication and training programs focused on rail and community safety. Town councils and local emergency responders interested in working with CP to set up presentations should contact Community_Connect@cpr.ca

8 RIGHT OF WAY MAINTENANCE AND SECURITY

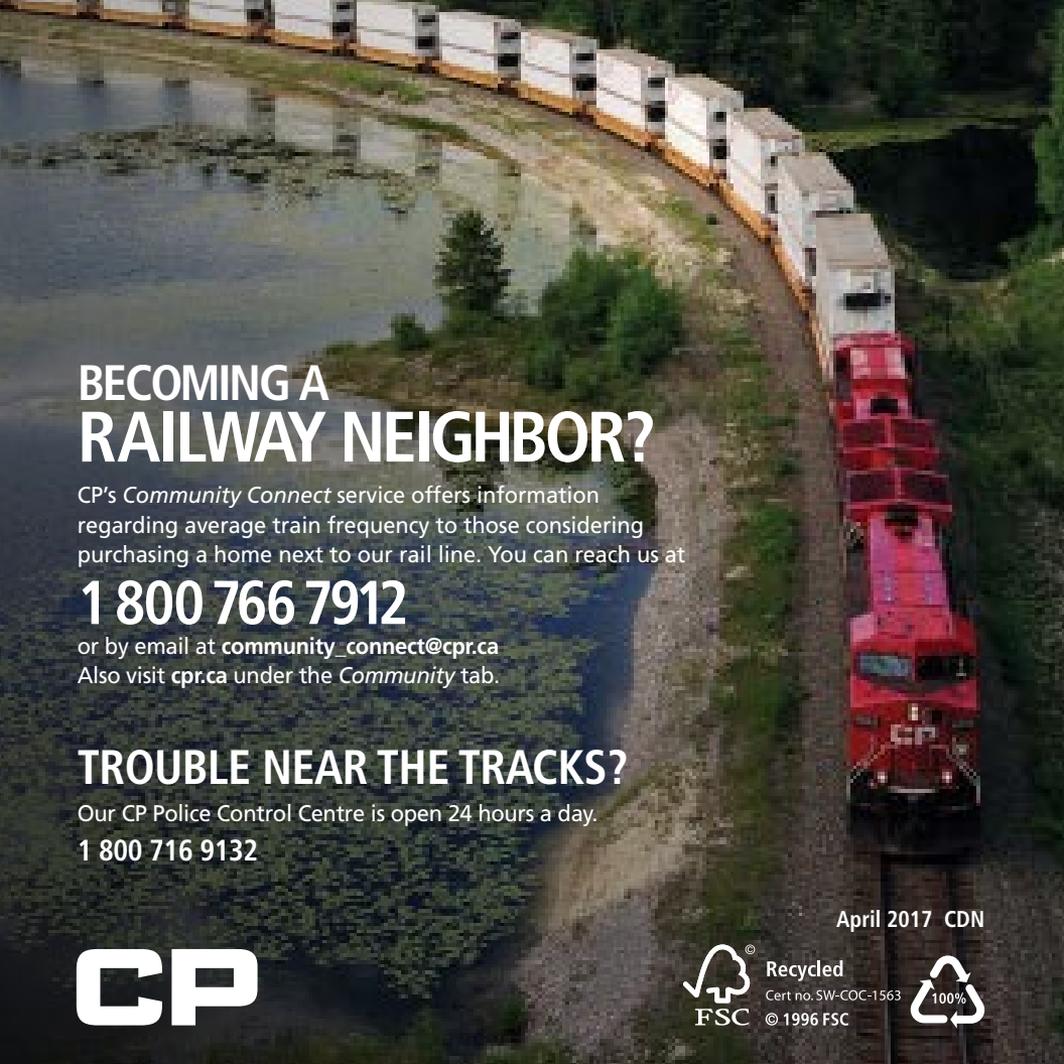
CP's right of way is fee-simple private property and it typically extends 50 feet from the center of CP track on both sides. Any instances of trespassing or illegal dumping along the right of way are handled by the CP Police Service (CPPS). Maintaining a secure safety buffer zone is critical to safe train operations, as well as public and employee safety.

Control of vegetation is a key area of track maintenance to ensure safe train operations. CP's vegetation management program targets weeds and trees in problem areas using the most appropriate vegetation management techniques for each situation. These techniques include encouraging natural competition among plant species, mowing, brush cutting, tree removal and selective herbicide application.

9 LOCOMOTIVE IDLING AND YARD NOISE

Locomotive idling is a normal operational requirement. Trains will often stop and idle while waiting for pick-up of connecting rail cars from another train, signals from oncoming trains on the track ahead, or customers releasing product from their own industrial track. Most CP locomotives are equipped with an automatic stop/start mechanism which is activated when engines idle for a period of time with no evidence of movement. This only works when the outside ambient temperature is in the range of +5C or above.

Rail sidings are designed to meet and pass trains and, in some cases, to drop off or pick up rail cars. Those living near sidings may expect noise from this activity. Similarly, rail yards operate 24/7 and, depending on customer requirements, switching, idling and general yard activity can result in noise at any time of the day or night. Idling and yard complaints are often the result of development of residential areas in former industrial properties and community expansions near rail yards or adjacent to railway right-of-ways. Out of respect to the communities where we operate, CP crews make every reasonable effort to minimize the impact of yard and idling noise.



BECOMING A RAILWAY NEIGHBOR?

CP's *Community Connect* service offers information regarding average train frequency to those considering purchasing a home next to our rail line. You can reach us at

1 800 766 7912

or by email at community_connect@cpr.ca
Also visit cpr.ca under the *Community* tab.

TROUBLE NEAR THE TRACKS?

Our CP Police Control Centre is open 24 hours a day.

1 800 716 9132

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