THE MAINSTREAM



Covenants Inspections

Community-wide covenants inspections will occur in September. Commonly cited items include:

- siding in need of cleaning,
- exterior maintenance/painting, and
- landscape upkeep

A specific topic that will also be addressed is trees and shrubs overgrowing the sidewalk or street. If you have trees or bushes near the sidewalk/street, please make sure you keep them trimmed back so that they don't impede foot or vehicular traffic.

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...and we would love your help! For more

information, visit pages 6 and 7 of the newsletter.

Pipeline Notices: The pipeline right of way that runs through the Hiddenbrook neighborhood and beyond is scheduled for maintenance and treatment on or after August 9th. If you utilize this grassy area, please be aware and take the appropriate safety precautions. **NO** motorized vehicles are permitted on the pipeline. This includes motor bikes.

Additional details from the notice can be found on page 2 of the newsletter.

TC Energy Notice: Rights-of-Way Maintenance

Re: Right-of-Way Maintenance; Pipeline: VB, VB5, Loops, WB5; Clarke, Fairfax, Fauquier, Hardy, Loudoun, Shenandoah & Warren Counties, VA

Dear Pipeline Neighbor,

As part of our ongoing commitment to public safety, TC Energy's Columbia Gas Transmission Company administers a Right-of-Way Maintenance Program, using a variety of vegetation control methods. To allow for adequate inspection, damage prevention, and a timely, unimpeded response to any potential emergencies, a clear and identifiable right-of-way is a necessity. In addition, the Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration requires frequent inspection of natural gas pipelines and related facilities to further their safe operation.

As part of that effort, on or after August 9, 2020, TC Energy will be maintaining portions of its rights-of-way for the above referenced pipelines located on or near your property using a low volume backpack herbicide application. For this project, Progressive Solutions LLC will be partnering with us in performing the required work.

Should you desire to prohibit herbicide application on your property please contact us within thirty days from the receipt of this letter. Also, should you have any concerns or questions about this project, please feel free to contact TC Energy through our ROW Maintenance Herbicide Line at 1-844-220-7553 or by e-mail at landowners@tcenergy.com. Please provide the pipeline number and county listed at the top of this letter, caller address, and telephone number when contacting us.

Sincerely,

Tony Redd – Land Representative **Greg Williams** – Project Manager - ROW Maintenance TC Energy

1700 MacCorkle Avenue SE PO Box 1273 Charleston, WV 25325

Herbicide information.

Managing our footprint

At TC Energy, we are committed to protecting the environment. Not just because we have to, but because we want to. We recognize that how we interact with the environment is of vital importance to you. It is to us, too. That's why TC Energy's Environment Strategy reflects our long-term corporate culture when it comes to environmental stewardship, protection and performance. It guides our decisions every day when building and operating energy infrastructure.



Why does TC Energy use herbicides?

Maintaining low growing vegetation allows for effective patrol, quick access in the event of an emergency and creates a well-defined corridor, reducing the risk of potential damage from nearby excavation.

What are some of the benefits of using Herbicides?

Repeated clearing or mowing using only mechanical methods is often not fully effective for long term vegetation control. When herbicides are used in conjunction with, or in place of mechanical clearing, growth of desirable plants

can be promoted within the right-of-way.

Herbicides also help foster biodiversity by encouraging growth of native grasses and flowering plants. Rights-of-way maintained in an herbaceous state have a positive impact on pollinator habitat.

The compounds used are biodegradable and can be used to target noxious weeds or invasive plant species without harming desirable growth.

Herbicide applications minimize disturbance to landowners as mechanical maintenance activities may be required less frequently. They are also less intrusive to wildlife habitat in comparison to more mechanical means of maintaining rights-of-way.

Are herbicides safe?

The herbicides selected for use by TC Energy have been extensively tested by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) before being approved for use. Furthermore, agencies such as the State Department of Agriculture regulate herbicide



application through the use of public notification requirements, mandated record keeping, applicator training, and certification programs.

Where and how does TC Energy apply herbicides?

The most common method of application is through targeted backpack spraying. Depending on the location of the rights-of-way and the surrounding land use, tractor, helicopter or UTV applications are occasionally used.

Applications will not take place within maintained land use sites such as lawns, areas of active agriculture, pasture lands, or hay fields.

Ideally, herbicide applications are performed on rights-of-way within one or two growing seasons following mechanical maintenance. Ongoing applications keep rights-of-way in an open meadow like condition.

We're committed to protecting the environment throughout the complete life cycle of our pipelines and facilities, from business development to project planning and design, through construction and operations to remediation and final decommissioning.

Contact Us

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Landowners@TCEnergy.com
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Sidewalk Remediation Chair and Volunteers Needed

The board is looking for an individual to coordinate documenting sidewalk hazards throughout the Hiddenbrook neighborhood for remediation by VDOT. We have noticed that in bordering neighborhoods, the sidewalks have been shaved to remove raised edges that create potential tripping hazards. If we can identify and document the hazardous locations and neighbors impacted by these raised edges, we can work with VDOT to get them fixed. If you would like to coordinate the documentation and other volunteers for this effort or volunteer to assist in documenting, please email Joan Koss at joanekoss@outlook.com.



Neighborhood Watch

Please be aware that there have been some vehicle breakins reported throughout the area. Please remember to avoid keeping valuables in your vehicles and to ensure they are locked when parked.



Hiddenbrook has a Neighborhood Watch committee that has been unmanned for a couple years. If you are interested in

joining this committee, please email Hiddenbrook_homes@hotmail.com or attend our next board meeting, August 18th at 7 pm.

Who is that Artist?

Who is that sharing his artistry skill and bringing us joy on Powells Tavern near the pipeline right of way? It's **Rob Carter** and he has been creating chalk drawings throughout the Coronavirus stay at home guidelines. Is Rob an art teacher? No, he is a physics major and has worked in the automotive industry for 48 years. He has no art background, but he is definitely talented and creative.

Rob previously served as Scoutmaster for Troop 159, St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, and stays in contact with former Scouts from years ago. He still participates as an Assistant Scoutmaster and enjoys adventurous outings with the Scouts.

Although Rob has lived in Hiddenbrook since 1983, it has been his chalk sidewalk drawings during these last several months that have enabled him to meet and talk to many curious and appreciative neighbors. He provided some insight to his creations; he usually works from an existing picture, and he enjoys Boynton cartoon drawings.

The forecast plays a role in his planning for drawings. Rob looks for a few days without expected rain before starting a new picture. He has found working on the creations to be relaxing and he says he never knows how any drawing will turn out but the activity and his finished chalk creations make him smile.

We have included most of the drawings in case you have missed seeing them. For the Hulk chalk drawing you can go to <u>YouTube</u> and view the time lapse of his creation. If you are walking by and see Rob out in his yard and working on a new picture, please stop to say hello and thank you. It is great to see someone spending time to bring a smile to the neighborhood.

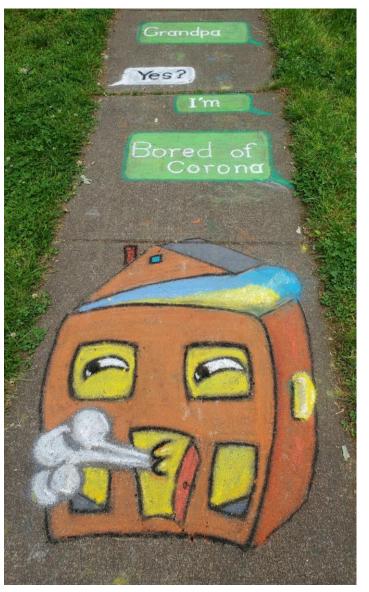




















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If you are interested in joining any of the Hiddenbrook committees, please fill out the 'Committee Interest Form' from the documents page of the www.hiddenbrookhomes.org website and send it in to our property manager, Lisa Cornaire, at hiddenbrookhomes@hotmail.com

If you are interested in receiving a printed copy of our monthly newsletter, please email your request to hiddenbrook homes@hotmail.com

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