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To Whom it May Concern:

This notice is sent to inform you that MaineDOT will be performing routine control of small trees using herbicide within proximity of state roads this year in your community. Under state pesticide regulations we may only use herbicide to control hardwood less than six feet tall and softwood less than three feet tall. The program only targets trees in these size classes. Starting in 2004 in all Regions except the Western Region (Region 3), we adopted spraying every other year for control of these small trees. This has proven successful and has resulted in a considerable reduction in our reliance on herbicide. In fact, since adopting this approach we have been successful in reducing our use even further.

We use licensed contractors with proven experience in roadside spraying for control of trees, and in several Regions may also employ trained and licensed MaineDOT crews. All applicators receive yearly training in the proper use and handling of herbicide. To protect worker health and the environment, we use low risk products at lowest rates possible for control. Only targeted small trees are sprayed.

We hope you will post notification on community bulletin boards and provide my contact information should anyone have questions. We provide alternatives to herbicide for municipalities willing to control roadside brush to our standards and we offer agreements to private landowners who have property adjacent to state roads that allow them to cut brush to comply with our standards. Simply contact me for details.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert W. Moosmann".

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MaineDOT Spray Routes 2020

- Region 4 East
- Region 5 North
- Region 3
- Region 2 Area 4
- Region 2 Area 1
- Region 1 South
- Interstate
- US Routes
- State Routes
- Maine

