



03rd February 2021

Email: [REDACTED]

Re: Acknowledgement of FOI request IE_FOI_441

Dear [REDACTED]

I refer to your request dated 12th January 2021 made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014, which was received on by my office on the 13th January 13, 2021, for records held by Iarnród Éireann.

Request:

On the 10.9.2020 Irish rail workers were working on public property at Killians Crescent Carlow back lane adjacent to the Rail line. They chemically sprayed and cut down trees. Permission was not sought for this work from Carlow County Council and when workers were challenged they stopped and their supervisor refused to talk to me on the phone. I wish to receive a copy of the RAM's (method statement) for the work, including but not exclusively, workers certificates for handling chemicals, on site work methodology including making area safe, notifying residents of works, permit to cut down trees, including an appropriate environmental assessment and mitigations before works. I also request any correspondence to and from Carlow County Council regarding this work including permissions.

Response:

I, [REDACTED] Decision Maker have now made a final decision to part grant your request on 03rd February 2021.

Please find a copy of the requested documents enclosed along with a schedule of records detailing any redactions made.

Rights of appeal

In the event that you are not happy with this decision you can make an appeal in relation to this matter, you can do so by writing to the FOI Unit, Corporate Communications, Iarnród Éireann Irish Rail, Connolly Station, Amiens St, Dublin 1 or by e-mail to foi@irishrail.ie. You should make your appeal within 4 weeks (20 working days) from

the date of this notification, where a day is defined as a working day excluding, the weekend and public holidays, however, the making of a late appeal may be permitted in appropriate circumstances.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please contact the FOI Officer by email at foi@irishrail.ie

Yours sincerely,

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**Decision Maker,
Customer Relations**

Freedom of Information Request:
 Schedule of Records for IE_FOI_441 : Summary for Decision Making

Record No.	Date of Record	Brief Description	No. of Pages	Decision: Grant/Part Grant/Refuse	Section of Act if applicable	Record Edited/Identify Deletions
1	19.07.16	CITY&GUILDS Cert 1	3	Part Grant	S37	Personal Information of Others
2	19.07.16	CITY&GUILDS Cert 2	3	Part Grant	S37	Personal Information of Others
3	01.07.19	Vegetation Control	21	Part Grant	S37	Personal Information of Others

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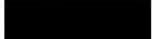
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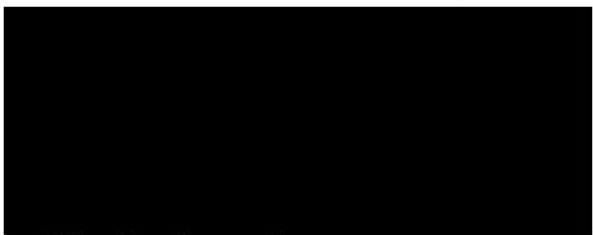
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Vegetation Control

Division 9 METHOD STATEMENT



Route	Dublin - Waterford
Location	Division 9: Carlow Branch from 32 ½ 78 ½ MP Kilkenny to Waterford 28 – 30 ¾ MP Including Lavistown Loop
Works	Vegetation Control

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1. Works Overview

1.1 Introduction

This method statement has been prepared by the construction manager to be included in the Safety File for Carlow Division (site) 9 which has been notified to the Health and Safety Authority as a construction site, in compliance with the Safety, Health & Welfare at Work (Construction Regulations) 2013.

This method statement should be read in conjunction with the following documentation;

- [Iarnród Éireann Rulebook](#)
- [The Weekly Circular](#)
- [Site Safety Coordination Sheet \(SSCS\)](#)

Also in conjunction with the following documents which can be located in the construction regulation folders on site or on the Division 9 safety station at Carlow:

- [Carlow Div9 local Emergency plan](#)
- [Carlow Div9 local Evacuation Plan](#)
- [Carlow Div9 Occupational feature forms](#)
- [Hazard identification](#)
- [Site briefings/bulletins](#)
- [Risk assessments](#)
- [I-PYI-1490 Mobile Gang Work Instructions](#)
- [Construction regulations 2013](#)
- [Carlow Div9 Construction stage health and safety plans](#)
- [Carlow Div9 appointment letters and notifications](#)
- [RA 6513 Common Risks CCE Railway Working](#)
- [RA 6512 Use of Small Plant & Tools](#)

1.2 Scope Outline:

This method statement describes the methodology of works for vegetation control using trimmers and hand tools.

All site specific details supplied on the accompanying Site Safety Coordination Sheet (SSCS)

1.3 Location Particular

For location of site limits refer to the SSCS for the particular week and the track patrolling feature form for details of occupational hazards.

1.4 Access Points

For location of access points refer to the SSCS for the particular week and the track patrolling feature form for details of occupational hazards.

1.5 Duration of Works

Works will take place under possessions as per relevant weekly circular and any superseding flyers.

Please see the relevant SSCS for further possession details.

1.6 Planned works

The list below shows the planned tasks to be carried out under this method statement

Task Number	Description
1	Vegetation Control

2. Parties involved in works

Name	Outline of roles
Iarnród Éireann Permanent Way	Track Protection, Worksite protection , TSC Duties Track Works, Setting up TSR's
Iarnród Éireann Signal and Electrical and Telecoms (SET)	SET asset disconnection/ reconnection (if required), Resets
Iarnród Éireann Production Department (IPPD)	N/A
TBC (As per SCS) (Plant Hire Contractor)	N/A
TBC (As per SCS) (Labour Hire Contractor)	Assist with vegetation control works including, trimmers, chainsaw, hand tools and weed spraying with knapsac

3. Possession arrangements:

PICOP will take possession as per weekly circular and any superseding flyers.

All site specific details supplied on the accompanying SSCS

When possession has been granted on each night.

- Each worksite referred to on the SSCS will be set up by the Engineering Supervisor (ES) assigned to each work site on the WPS. The ES for each worksite may also permit OTM's/HOBS trains/Materials Trains/RRV's to enter his worksite if required.

Refer to the SSCS for work site arrangements.

Any changes to the work plan will be agreed on the night by the assigned ES.

4. Works Briefing Arrangements:

- **See SSCS and track patrolling feature forms for locations and times of site briefings.**
- Prior to Works commencing all personnel involved in the works or visiting the site will be briefed on the Method statement, risk assessments for this work and nature of the works. This will include a site safety briefing
- Alternatively where staff arrive on OTM's or Trains they will be briefed by the ES or nominated person before entering the worksite.

5. Plant & Equipment

5.1 Road Rail Plant on Site during T3 possessions of Both Roads:

- **All plant will be identified on the SSCS**

5.2 OTM's Involved in works:

- N/A

5.3 Engineering Trains:

- N/A

5.4 Per-Way Tools/Equipment:

- Trimmers
- Chainsaw
- Knapsac sprayer
- Slash Hook

- Scrapers
- Leaf blower
- Shovels
- Crowbars/Nail Bars
- Mobile Vans
- This list is non exhaustive

6. Methodology

6.1 *Vegetation Control*

1. PICOP to inform the ES that possession has been granted.
2. ES to set up worksite as per IÉ rule book.
3. Workforce to access track at access point as stated in the SSCS
4. Note this type of works is usually carried out under redzone protection on days, TSC to set up appropriate safe system of work in line with IÉ rule book.
5. Vegetation to be cut back using strimmers, hedge trimmers and slash hooks as required. Staff must have the appropriate SPAT training for equipment being used and wear all additional PPE required for the task they are completing
6. Where required small trees to be cut using chainsaw. Staff using a chainsaw must wear full chainsaw PPE and have received approved chainsaw training course.
7. Vegetation cuttings to be tidied into the cess or other suitable location and allowed to rot away naturally. Where vegetation works is being completed on the public side of the railway boundary then all vegetation cuttings must be removed from the public road etc back onto Irish Rail property or other approved storage location.
8. Staff carrying out weed spraying with knapsac weed sprayers must have the appropriate training and should adhere to all the manufacturer's guidelines for the product use. The material safety data sheet (MSDS) must be available to staff using any chemical weed sprays and should be referred to by staff. Staff must wear the appropriate additional PPE for weed spraying.
9. No weed spraying to take place at the edge of water courses or any other location where it would pose a risk of environmental damage. Do not carry out weed spraying during windy weather conditions so as to avoid spray drift damaging adjacent vegetation or polluting adjacent water courses etc.
10. Site to be tidied up at the end of each shift, no chemicals or equipment to be left lineside or in compounds, all equipment and materials must be stored in mobile vans and/or perway storage facilities.
11. ES/TSC to walk through site and ensure site is safe for traffic.
12. Once the ES/TSC is satisfied the site is safe he can remove his worksite marker boards and advise the PICOP that the line is clear and safe for traffic.
13. PICOP to hand back possession of both roads and works are complete.

7. Management of Changes to plan on site

The ES on each night is responsible for approving any changes to the working plan during the shift. Before a change takes place it must be communicated to the ES and he will approve or reject the work plan change. If the new work plan involves a change to the safe system of work being employed then all staff involved in the effected worksite will be briefed by the ES before the new working plan is commenced.

Daily changes to the planned work will be managed by briefing staff prior to the works/their shift commencing.

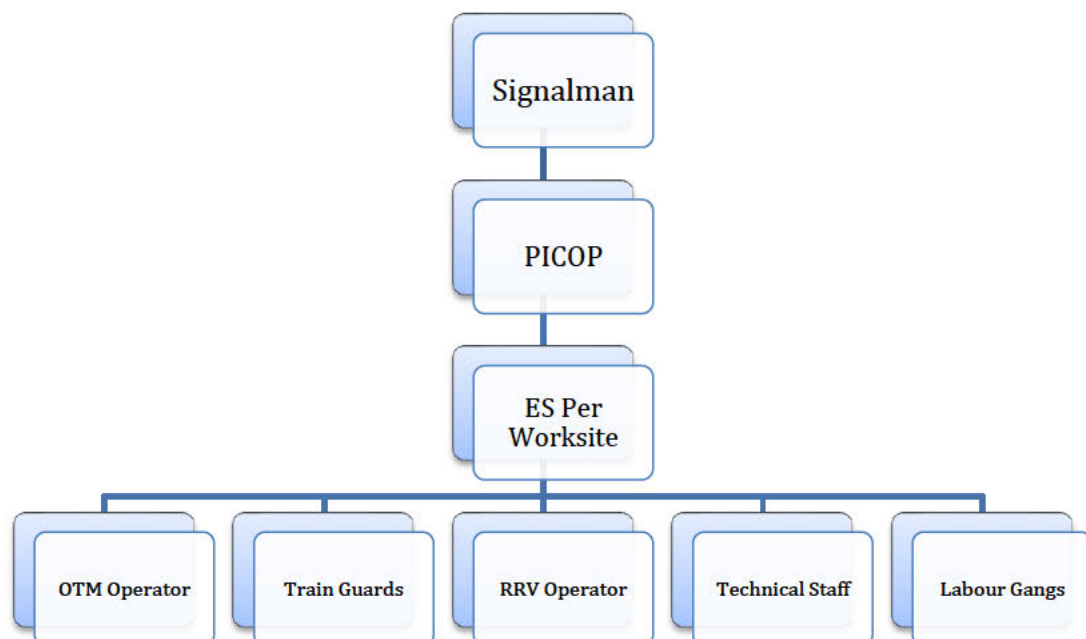
Any changes to planned work will be documented on the SSCS.

8. Communications Plan

8.1 Possession arrangements

Possessions of the line will be arranged by the PICOP as per the IÉ rulebook. The single point of contact for communication with the signalman while working on a line under possession, **unless in an emergency situation**, is the PICOP.

8.2 Communication hierarchy while working in a possession



9. Control of Risks on Site

A risk assessment process has been undertaken. Risk assessments are available in permanent way facilities and also can be located in the construction regulation folders in the mobile vans

9.1 *Buried Services*

Buried Services are present throughout the railway and details of these are in the track patrolling feature forms, SET must be consulted and cables located before works proceed.

If excavation is required in areas where ESAT telecoms cables are buried, Telecoms must be consulted and cables located before works proceed.

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9.2 *3rd Party Overhead Services*

Overhead power lines are present throughout the railway and details of these are in the track patrolling feature forms.

9.3 *Other Site Specific Hazards*

Please consult the track patrolling feature forms for a list of occupational hazards on site. Site specific hazards will be briefed during site safety briefing, please take note of the following Particular Risks as per Schedule 1 of S.I. No. 291 of 2013 "Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (Construction) Regulations 2013"

Non-exhaustive List of Work Involving Particular Risks to the Safety, Health and Welfare of Persons at Work

1. Work which puts persons at work at risk of—
 - a. falling from a height,
Care to be taken when working at railway bridges or railway cuttings/embankments or any other unprotected edge.
 - b. burial under earth falls,
not applicable
 - c. engulfment in swampland, where the risk is particularly aggravated by the nature of the work or processes used or by the environment at the place of work or construction site.
not applicable
2. Work which puts persons at work at risk from chemical or biological substances constituting a particular danger to the safety and health of such persons or involving a statutory requirement for health monitoring.
*When working with chemicals, staff must take special care to follow the manufacturer's guidelines for use and adhere to company policy including use of appropriate PPE.
The railway environment poses risk for contact with infectious diseases such as leptospirosis, hepatitis etc, care to be taken when working in areas where there is presence or possible presence of hypo dermic needles and appropriate PPE to be worn at all times*
3. Work with ionising radiation requiring the designation of controlled or supervised areas as defined in Directive 96/29/Euratom4.
not applicable
4. Work near high voltage power lines.
There are high voltage power lines crossing over the railway throughout the network, special care to be taken when working the vicinity of these power lines, all plant to move along the railway in

*travel mode with the jib lowered when not carrying out specific works, no excavations to take place without first identifying all buried services including high voltage power lines.
ESB to be consulted prior to any excavations taking place outside of the railway ballast formation*

5. Work exposing persons at work to the risk of drowning.
Care to be taken when working near bridges or culverts with large water courses passing through them, appropriate safe system of work to be put in place and buoyancy aids to be worn where there is risk of falling into a watercourse
6. Work on wells, underground earthworks and tunnels.
not applicable
7. Work carried out by divers at work having a system of air supply.
not applicable
8. Work carried out in a caisson with a compressed-air atmosphere.
not applicable
9. Work involving the use of explosives.
not applicable
10. Work involving the assembly or dismantling of heavy prefabricated components
Care to be taken when working with railway panels which have a gross weight in excess of 10T, when disassembling such panels, or removing individual sleepers, safe working practices to be implemented at all times and work to be completed by mechanical means in so far as is reasonably practicable.

9.4 Mobile Phone Restrictions

Mobile phones should only be used on the worksite for work purposes.

Staff using mobile phones must observe and adhere to the following rules

- You do not obstruct your safety critical duties
- You are in a position of safety
- You are clear of the working radius of RRV's
- You do not distract other staff from performing their duties

10. Possession Arrangements

Track Possession as per Weekly Circular or issued amended possession flyer. On Track Work will not commence until instructions have been received from the PICOP or through the ES.

**All Safety critical staff will be appointed in advance as per the SSCS.
Contact numbers for supervisors for each work group will be listed as per SSCS.**

11. PPE

The following PPE is mandatory on all sites

- Steel toe cap safety boots
- Orange Hi-Vis Clothing
- Hard Hat (on all sites where plant is working and on other sites as identified to be required in the relevant risk assessment)

In addition to the above, the following PPE is required whilst working in close proximity to a source of loud noise or where there is a risk of debris flying

- Ear protection
- Safety glasses

Using strimmers

- Ear protection
- Safety goggles
- Face shield
- Gloves
- Coveralls

Using chainsaw

- Chainsaw boots
- Chainsaw trousers
- Chainsaw gloves
- Ear protection
- Safety goggles

Using knapsack sprayer

- Spraying coverall suit
- Safety goggles
- Gloves
- Face mask

In poorly lit areas and for night working

- Headlights

For Manual handling tasks

- Gloves/ Dust Mask

12. Emergencies

Please read these contact details in conjunction with the 'Local Emergency Plan' which is located in the Construction Regulation Folders & also the Safety Statement.

(Copies of this are kept in the PWI Office, in Mobile Vans and Safety Station in Carlow Per-Way office)

GARDAI:	(9)999 or (9)112 or Local Stations: Carlow: 05991 36620 Bagenalstown: 05997 74120 Athy: 059 8634210 Kilkenny: 05677 75000	
FIRE BRIGADE:	(9)999 or (9)112 or Dublin Control Station – 01 6707053	
AMBULANCE:	(9) 999 or (9) 112	
LOCAL DOCTOR Athy: Dr.O'Neill Carlow: Dr. Doyle Bagenalstown: Dr.Coffey	Surgery 059 8631476 059 9131127 059 9721650	Caredoc: 1850 334999
HOSPITALS:	St.Lukes Kilkenny: 056 7785000 or Carlow District: 059 9136300	
SPIRITUAL ASSISTANCE:	Roman Catholic: Carlow: 059 9131227 Athy: 059 8631698 Bagenalstown: 059 9721154	Church of Ireland: Carlow: 059 9132565 Athy: 059 8631446 Bagenalstown: 059 9721570
Permanent Way Inspector: [REDACTED]	Mobile: [REDACTED]	
Regional Manager: [REDACTED]	Mobile: [REDACTED]	
Infrastructure Manager: [REDACTED]	Mobile: [REDACTED]	
CENTRAL TRAFFIC CONTROL. (C.T.C.)	Internal: 2503 or 2443	External: (01) 7032503 or (01) 7032443
Health and Safety Authority	1890 289389	
First Aiders:	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Safety Rep: [REDACTED]	Mobile: [REDACTED]	
Safety Executive And IEIO: [REDACTED]	Mobile: [REDACTED]	

The Fire Evacuation Procedure will be displayed prominently in each office, and canteen. Direction arrows and notices will be placed where appropriate, to assist persons to exit points. Emergency lighting is provided.

12.1 EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

At the pre-work briefing the Track Safety Coordinator TSC will identify himself. In the event of an emergency inform the TSC or alternatively contact CTC.

The first aiders will be identified at site briefing.

First aid kits and fire extinguishers are available in permanent way vans or permanent way facilities.

In the event of a major fire make an emergency call to CTC.

Site should be made safe and all staff should return to site compound.

The TSC is to make sure someone is available to meet with and direct the emergency services at the site access gate.

An IÉIO (Iarnród Éireann Incident Officer) will be appointed if required.

The assembly point will be the access/egress points identified at the site briefing.

12.2 How to make an emergency call to CTC.

- First, say "THIS IS AN EMERGENCY CALL"
- Give your name and grade, and say where you are
- Say what has happened and exactly where it has happened
- Say which emergency services are needed
- Give your telephone number or radio number
- Ask for your message to be repeated
- Stay in contact until nothing further is required

12.3 How to make a call to emergency services

- Ring 999 or 112
- Say what has happened
- Give the site location and the location of the accident.
Please list of Eircodes below for all IÉ approved Access Points
- Give your telephone number and name so you can be contacted if necessary
- Send someone to meet the emergency services at the nearest point of access and any close by main road junctions so that their arrival to site is as swift as possible.

12.4 STSE

STSE dept should be contacted in the event of a reportable incident – e.g. bridge strike, cutting & embankment slips, rail break etc.

13. Interfaces

13.1 Residents - Noise Notices

If required flyers will be distributed to affected residents prior to works commencing.

13.2 Third Parties

Communication with relevant third parties such as utilities providers, local authorities etc will be made at the planning stage where required and relevant contact details and instructions will be included in the weekly worksite planning sheet (SCS)

13.3 Internal Departments

Communication with staff from relevant IÉ internal departments will be made during the works as required by the PICOP and/or ES and/or Shift supervisor in line with IÉ company rule book. Works involving resources from other IÉ departments will be arranged at the planning stage and details provided in the relevant weekly worksite planning sheet (SCS)

14. Appendix

A. Glossary of Terms/Abbreviations

Below is a list of terms/abbreviations used in this method statement for rulebook. This is a quick reference list only and should be read in conjunction with the IE rulebook.

- BBRI – Balfour Beatty Rail Ireland
- RRV – Road Rail Vehicle
- OTM- On-Track Machine = Tamper, Regulator, Ballast Cleaner
- ES- Engineering Supervisor
- PIC-Person in Charge, Consult IE Rulebook
- PICOP-Person in Charge of Possession, Consult IE Rulebook
- SLW – Single Line Working, Consult IE Rulebook
- HOBS- High Output Ballast System, Ballast train
- SSCS- Site Safety Coordination Sheet
- TSC – Track Safety Coordinator
- SSOW – Safe System of Work

B. Personal Safety

YOUR PERSONAL SAFETY

- Safety must be your first concern
- Do not endanger yourself or others
- As far as you can, stop others from endangering themselves
- Keep the prevention of accidents or fires in mind at all times
- Remember that reckless exposure of yourself or others to danger is an offence against the Company's Policy/Regulations & Health & Safety Legislation

GOING LINESIDE:

- You must not go on the lineside unless your duties require it
- "on the lineside" means anywhere between the boundary fence and the point defined below as being "on or near the line"
- At all times you must:
 - **Wear the approved high visibility clothing, which must be clean and worn correctly**
 - **Obey any warning signs and indications**
 - **Look and listen carefully for approaching trains or OTM/RRV movements**
 - **Acknowledge any audible warning from an approaching train, OTM or RRV by raising one arm above your head**

GOING ON OR NEAR THE LINE

- "on or near the line" is any location within 3m of the nearest running rail
- You must not go on or near the line unless your duties require it
- You must ensure that there is a safe system of work established before you go on or near the line
- At all times you must:
 - **Wear the approved high visibility clothing, which must be clean and worn correctly**
 - **Obey any warning signs and indications**
 - **Look and listen carefully for approaching trains or OTM/RRV movements**
 - **Acknowledge any audible warning from an approaching train, OTM or RRV by raising one arm above your head**

MOBILE PHONES

- Company-issued mobile phones must only be switched on and used if essential to the safe delivery of the work in hand and part of a safe system of work
- A mobile phone must only be used when in a position of safety
- Do not use a mobile phone when walking on or near the line
- Personal mobile phones must be turned off or switched to silent when on or near the line

Up and Down line Hazards

- Insufficient hand/guard rail protection at specific locations (see track patrolling feature forms for details)
- Fall from height for the person
- Fall from height for tools and equipment onto public interface
- Train strike
- Struck by RRV
- Struck by OTM
- Crossing Traffic
- Slip, trip and fall
- Limited clearance areas
- Underground services
- Bi-directional traffic
- Unscheduled trains
- Health hazards
- Chemical hazards
- Biological hazards
- Physical hazards

***This is a non-exhaustive list**

Please note the following when working at this location:

- Your safety comes first
- Only competent staff are permitted on site
- Avoid walking in the 6ft
- Staff must choose to walk in the cess at all times prior to walking in the 5ft
- Staff must be aware of bi-directional traffic
- All items affecting the safety of trains and occupational safety must be reported immediately
- Permanent features running along the cess are not to be climbed or utilised for a position of safety unless it clearly specifies on the asset description
- Extreme caution must be observed at this location when working at night or when adverse weather is causing poor visibility (fog or falling snow)
- These hazards must be briefed to all IE staff and contractors working at this location
- PPE must only be relied upon as a last line of defence

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C. Method Statement Amendment Form

CCE DEPARTMENT Method Statement Amendment Sheet

Task being undertaken _____

Location _____

Insert details and reason for proposed work amendment:

Insert details of any additional risks and required mitigations in relation to the proposed work amendment.

Amendment Briefed		Amendment Briefed	
Print Name	Signature	Print Name	Signature

Signature of person responsible for Method Statement Amendment

_____ Date _____

D. Risk Assessments

This risk assessment must be read in conjunction with
RA 6513 - Common risks CCE Railway Works
RA 6512 – Use of Small Plant and Tools

CCE DEPARTMENT RISK ASSESSMENT

Risk Assessment Form Number(s): RA6519

DATE: 24th June 2019

LOCATION: RM Southeast, Divisions 7, 8, 9 & 10

ACTIVITY: Preparation for fencing

TASK: Vegetation control

PANEL MEMBERS: [REDACTED]

Reference No.	RA6519
Version	1
Operative Date	24.06.2019
Status	Draft
Prepared by	Div 7 Panel
Reviewed by	SRW
Approved by	[REDACTED]

Hazard: 1	Risk:	S	L	RR	Risk Controls:	S	L	RR	T?
Struck by train	Fatality Serious injury	3	5	15	Arrange TII Possession Appoint PIC and HSM	3	2	6	Y
Hazard: 2	Risk:	S	L	RR	Risk Controls:	S	L	RR	T?
Use of sprayer	Inhallation of spray	2	5	10	Use correct PPE including masks, disposable suits and gloves Only certified staff to use chemical sprays	2	2	4	Y
Hazard: 3	Risk:	S	L	RR	Risk Controls:	S	L	RR	T?
Use of strimmer (Flying debris)	Body injury	2	5	10	Use correct PPE including face guard, gloves, disposable suit Brief staff to stand clear	2	2	4	Y
Hazard: 4	Risk:	S	L	RR	Risk Controls:	S	L	RR	T?
Fuelling strimmer	Burns	2	5	10	Fuel away from the worksite No smoking Use funnel	2	2	4	Y
Hazard: 5	Risk:	S	L	RR	Risk Controls:	S	L	RR	T?
Transporting tools	Damage and spillages	2	5	10	Secure tools safely in vans before leaving the yard or site	2	2	4	Y

CCE DEPARTMENT ENVIRONMENTAL RISK ASSESSMENT

Risk Assessment No.	Hazard-Activity	Likelihood	Severity	Risk Rating	Basic Control Measures	Revised Likelihood	Revised Severity	Revised Risk Rating
ENV1	Working over water- Spills/Fallen debris	3	4	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Encapsulated scaffolding - Protection from Falling debris - Spill Kit to be made available 	1	4	4
ENV2	<p>Working within watercourses</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Release of sediment 2) Pumping water 3) Release of hazardous material into watercourse 4) Disturbance to river bed 5) Importing materials into watercourse. 	3	5	15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consent from relevant statutory authorities - Use of siltcurtains downstream* - Use of Silt bags at end of pump - Spill kit present on site - Notification of spill to client - Protection of river bed from machinery using ekki mats or similar product*. - Creation of dry cell using sandbags or similar materials*. - Use of clean washed stone or material where required - Access roads should be kept clean and free from mud and slurry. <p>All control measures indicated with * will need to be subject to a safety risk assessment before implementation. Contact Safety Exec or Env Exec for advice.</p>	2	5	10
ENV3	Working within legally protected sites	3	3	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Compliance with Operating procedure CCE-QMS-008-001. - Notification to Environmental Exec. - Obtain statutory consents before commencing work. - Do not cut or remove trees or hedges within legally protected sites between March 1st and August 31st. 	2	3	6
ENV4		4	3	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not order materials in bulk - Establish designated secure storage 	2	3	6

ENV4	Waste: Generation of Construction & Demolition Waste/ Hazardous Waste/ General Waste	4	3	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not order materials in bulk - Establish designated secure storage areas - Establish designated waste collection points. - Segregate hazardous waste from non hazardous waste. - Do not leave behind any waste material on site once work is completed. <p>Note: Keep copies of waste dockets associated with the waste collection and email to cceenvironment@irishrail.ie.</p>	2	3	6
ENV 7	Chemical Management	3	4	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All hazardous material to be stored away from watercourses and drainage systems (at least 5-10m). - Chemical products used must be approved for use in Ireland. - All chemicals should be stored in a designated area and in a secure storage container - A spill kit relevant to the volume of chemicals stored on site must be present on the worksite for the duration of the works. <p>Note: All chemicals or hazardous spillages must be reported to cceenvironment@irishrail.ie as outlined in CCE-QMS-008-003.</p>	1	4	4
ENV 8	Invasive weeds	2	4	8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Check site for the presence of invasive weeds prior to commencing work. - All machinery including track machinery must be clean and free from all oil chemicals and muck before entering the site. - Do not cut or flail any invasive weeds - An approved herbicide must be used to treat the weed if treatment is 	1	4	4

					<p>required.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Only round up bi-active is approved for use near watercourses <p>Note: The location of invasive weeds should be reported into cceenvironment@irishrail.ie in compliance with CCE-TEB-2013 Identification and Control of Japanese Knotweed & Identification and control of Giant Hogweed.</p> <p>*The appropriate PPE must be worn when working within the presence of Giant Hogweed.</p>			
ENV 9	- Noise	2	5	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Limit the number of people working in a noisy area and the length of time they spend there. - Noise protection to be worn by all on site when noise levels are above 85db - Adhere to conditions outlined in CCE-QMS-002 Noise Management- CCE Maintenance Activities. - Notify affected residents of activities in noise sensitive areas prior to works commencing - Do not shout instructions - Do not leave machinery running idly and ensure machinery maintained properly before using - Take advantage of existing screens such as tree lines and vegetation and position noise sources in behind these screens. - Consider using temporary screens where appropriate and safe to do so. 	1	5	5