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Road Commission to Begin Second Round of Roadside Mowing

THE ROAD COMMISSION WANTS YOU TO KNOW . . .

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RELEASE:

The Van Buren County Road Commission (VBCRC) will begin its second round of roadside mowing on approximately July 22, 2024. Mowing will take place along all primary and local roads with the exception of those subdivision roads which are being maintained by the property owners. Road Commission staff generally work on a township-by-township basis mowing the right-of-way as a benefit to the public, and to help keep the VBCRC's highways in reasonable repair.

Mowing of vegetation shall occur in the area beginning at the shoulder edge and for 12 feet, or to the leading edge of the ditch, whichever is less.



Because Road Commission staff will be strictly enforcing the Road Commission's statutory right to mow or control brush in the county road right-of-way, cooperation in keeping the right-of-way free of anything un-permitted by the Road Commission (except authorized mailbox mountings) is essential. *Any crops planted in the right-of-way are there at the farmers' risk and no compensation for loss of crops in the right-of-way will be considered pursuant to Road Commission Policy* 2022-02.

To review a copy of the Board of County Road Commission's Policy 2022-02, Right-of-Way Mowing, Brush Control & Spraying Policy visit the Road Commission's website at: www.vbcrc.org/vegetationmaintenance. This Policy complies with the standards created by law (MCL 247.665b).

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