



# Calling Lakes Planning District Commission - Railway Ties Survey

The CLPDC would like to work with CN and CPR to find an economical way to dispose of railway ties.

Railway ties are often used in residential landscaping such as borders around gardens, decking and retaining walls. However, railroad ties are typically coated in Creosote, a chemical used to preserve wood and as a pesticide. Creosote has been found to be a probable human carcinogen and so any direct or indirect contact should be avoided. By using railway ties along water bodies or shorelines, the creosote can infiltrate into the soils and water, and then come into contact with humans and animals.

For the safety of yourself, your family and your neighbors, please remove railroad ties away from any waterbody or shoreline. Saskatchewan Environment recommends either: Recycling railway ties that are older than 20 years, such as for landscaping, but at a safe distance from any water source. Our landfill accepts railroad ties for a fee per tie.

Thank you for answering the questions below to help us gauge the volume of ties that would need to be disposed of.

1. Do you have a railway ties you wish to dispose of on your property?

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

2. Approximate volume of Ties to dispose of?

- Less than 10
- Between 10-20
- Between 20-30
- Between 30-50
- Between 50-100
- More than 100

3. Which Municipality are you from within the Calling Lakes Planning District?

- RM of North Qu'Appelle No. 187
- Town of Fort Qu'Appelle
- Village of Lebret
- Resort Village of B-Say-Tah
- Resort Village of Fort San
- Resort Village of District of Katepwa
- Resort Village of Pasqua Lake

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