



Railway Properties

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CN requests that the following policies be included in municipal land use planning policy documents:

1. Municipal Council acknowledges the importance of the rail infrastructure and recognizes its critical role in long-term economic growth and the efficient and effective movement of goods and people. Council shall ensure the continued viability and ultimate capacity of the rail corridors and yards (if applicable) is protected and shall identify and support strategic infrastructure improvements such as targeted grade separations.
2. Sensitive land uses will not be encouraged adjacent or in proximity to rail facilities.
3. All proposed residential or other sensitive use development within 300 metres of a railway right-of-way will be required to undertake noise studies, to the satisfaction of the Municipality in consultation with the appropriate railway, and shall undertake appropriate measures to mitigate any adverse effects from noise that were identified. All available options, including alternative site layouts and/or attenuation measures, will be thoroughly investigated and implemented if practicable to ensure appropriate sound levels are achieved, particularly with respect to the 55 dBA outdoor living area criterion.
4. All proposed residential or other sensitive use development within 75 metres of a railway right-of-way will be required to undertake vibration studies, to the satisfaction Municipality in consultation with the appropriate railway, and shall undertake appropriate measures to mitigate any adverse effects from vibration that were identified.
5. All proposed development adjacent to railways shall ensure that appropriate safety measures such as setbacks, berms and security fencing are provided, to the satisfaction of the Municipality in consultation with the appropriate railway. Where applicable, the Municipality will ensure that sightline requirements of Transport Canada and the railways are addressed.
6. Implementation and maintenance of any required rail noise, vibration and safety impact mitigation measures, along with any required notices on title such as warning clauses and/or environmental easements, will be secured through appropriate legal mechanisms, to the satisfaction of the Municipality and the appropriate railway.
7. New residential development or other sensitive land uses will not be permitted within 300 metres of a rail yard (if applicable).

8. All residential development or other sensitive land uses located between 300 m and 1000 m of a rail yard will be required to undertake noise studies, to the satisfaction of the Municipality and the appropriate railway, to support its feasibility of development and, if feasible, shall undertake appropriate measures to mitigate any adverse effects from noise that were identified.