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Linda Gregory, Warden Municipality of the District of Digby C/O Waste Check Box 577 Yarmouth, NS B5A 4B6

Dear Warden Gregory:

Thank you for your letter dated June 11, 2024, on the topic of brush cutting on secondary roads.

There is a significant amount of brush cutting work to be completed around our province. The Department of Public Works (DPW) has been making very significant investments in brush cutting through the Rural Infrastructure Mitigation (RIM) Program in the past three (3) seasons.

DPW does mulch all the vegetation with mulching brush heads on our machines. Our contractors for RIM brush cutting are also required to mulch all sites they work on. If you are aware of any areas that were not mulched, or were mulched poorly, please inform Tony Harvey, Area Manager, Digby/Annapolis, to investigate.

Thank you once again for bringing your concerns forward. If you have any other comments or concerns, please contact Tony Harvey, Area Manager, by email at Anthony.Harvey@novascotia.ca or by phone at 902 825-4827.

Yours sincerely,

Kim D. Masland

Minister of Public Works

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