

BRUSHING IN YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

ATCO Electric Yukon is undertaking brushing activities to maintain safety around power lines and improve the electrical system. There are many reasons we complete brushing projects annually, the first is your safety.

Why does ATCO Electric Yukon undertake brushing activities?

Your safety is our concern; there are a number of reasons why trees and power lines don't mix:

Trees touching or near power lines poses a touch potential risk or may cause a fire. Trees near power lines can also cause a flash over. There are regulations in which we follow to ensure safe operation of our systems, this is ensuring trees don't pose issues for public safety or service.

Safe and reliable power is what we deliver. By eliminating trees that pose a threat, we can remove trees that cause outages or flickering and in the event of an outage, a clear right of way makes it easier for crews to identify the issue.

Tip! Never cut trees near a power line, always call ATCO Electric Yukon for assistance. If you notice that a tree is touching or is close to a power line, please contact us so that we can properly trim branches.

How is the brushing done?

We mow, mulch or chip on right of ways; this allows the vegetation to easily biodegrade, reducing risk of fuel loading or fires. Mowing also helps inhibit growth in the spring through late summer and prevents soil erosion.

We follow all guidelines outlined in the Yukon Environmental Management Guide and conduct nest sweeps to ensure no disruption to wildlife areas are caused by brushing activities.

For more information on brushing, including specific brushing neighbourhood plans, visit: <https://www.atcoelectricityukon.com/en-ca/our-services/brushing.html> or call 633-7000.

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