



# City Manager's Office

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## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** May 8, 2023

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**THROUGH:** Doug Thornley, City Manager Approved Electronically

**FROM:** Cynthia Esparza, Chief Equity & Community Relations Officer

**SUBJECT:** Railroad Cleanup Operation

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In response to numerous public health and safety hazards concerns, a Clean and Safe cleanup operation is underway this week along the Union Pacific railroad tracks from Stoker Ave to Galletti Way. While Union Pacific reserves a surface transportation easement along the corridor, the City of Reno owns this property, and in 2021 installed *No Trespassing Authorized Personnel Only* signage per Nevada Revised Statute 207.200.

To date, 30 Reno Direct service requests have been submitted by community members for the railroads. Additionally, the following are calls for service from the Reno Police Department and the Reno Fire Department for the general geographic area adjacent to the railroad:

- Reno Fire Department
  - 27 fires
- Reno Police Department
  - 166 medical
  - 142 traffic problems
  - 104 unwanted subject
  - 88 business checks
  - 54 subject stops

Clean and Safe began issuing notices on May 2, 2023, and extensive outreach efforts have been provided. Clean and Safe and RISE will continue providing outreach throughout the operation. The corridor is divided into four cleanup zones, and the schedule is as follows:

- May 8, 2023
  - Zone 1 - 4th Street and Stoker Ave
- May 9, 2023
  - Zone 2 - Behind the CAC
- May 10 - 11, 2023
  - Zone 3 - Wells Bridge to Sutro Street
- May 12, 2023
  - Zone 4 - Sage Street to Galletti Way

Staff will continue seeking collaboration with Union Pacific to address mutual concerns. Please contact Cynthia Esparza at [esparzac@reno.gov](mailto:esparzac@reno.gov) or (775) 737-1374 with any questions.