



Increased Train Traffic Through Lancaster & Otoe County

Beginning **January 1, 2021**, BNSF Railway will begin operating trains on the tracks that run along Highway 2 from Lincoln through Bennet, Palmyra, Unadilla, Syracuse and Dunbar to Nebraska City. On average, you can expect to see two trains a day on these tracks. With rail service resuming, it is critical to remember trains can run **at any time and in any direction**. Nebraska Operation Lifesaver, a non-profit dedicated to promoting rail safety and preventing grade crossing incidents, offers the following tips to ensure safety near the tracks:

- Always expect a train; freight trains don't follow published schedules
- A typical freight train can take more than a mile to stop
- The train you see is likely closer and moving faster than you think
- The only safe place to cross the tracks is at a designated crossing
- Being on railroad tracks and property is not only dangerous – it is illegal

Please visit nebraskaol.org for more information about rail safety. For information about trains operating through Lancaster and Otoe counties, please contact BNSF Public Affairs Director Jeff Davis at Jeffrey.Davis@BNSF.com.

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