



**County of Ottawa**  
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**Joe Bush**  
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## **NOTICE OF DRAIN MAINTENANCE**

August 8, 2024

Dear Property Owner,

This notice is regarding the **No. 24 Drain**, which passes through or near your property. We have identified Japanese Knotweed, a highly invasive species, in the drainage easement.

This species is known for spreading rapidly through its rhizome roots and fragmentation. It also hampers the growth of other plants by releasing chemicals that inhibit their growth, a process known as allelopathy. To prevent the spread of this plant, we will be treating the species within our easement right of way. State-licensed applicators will use EPA and Michigan Department of Agriculture-approved products that are safe for ditch banks and will not harm honeybees.

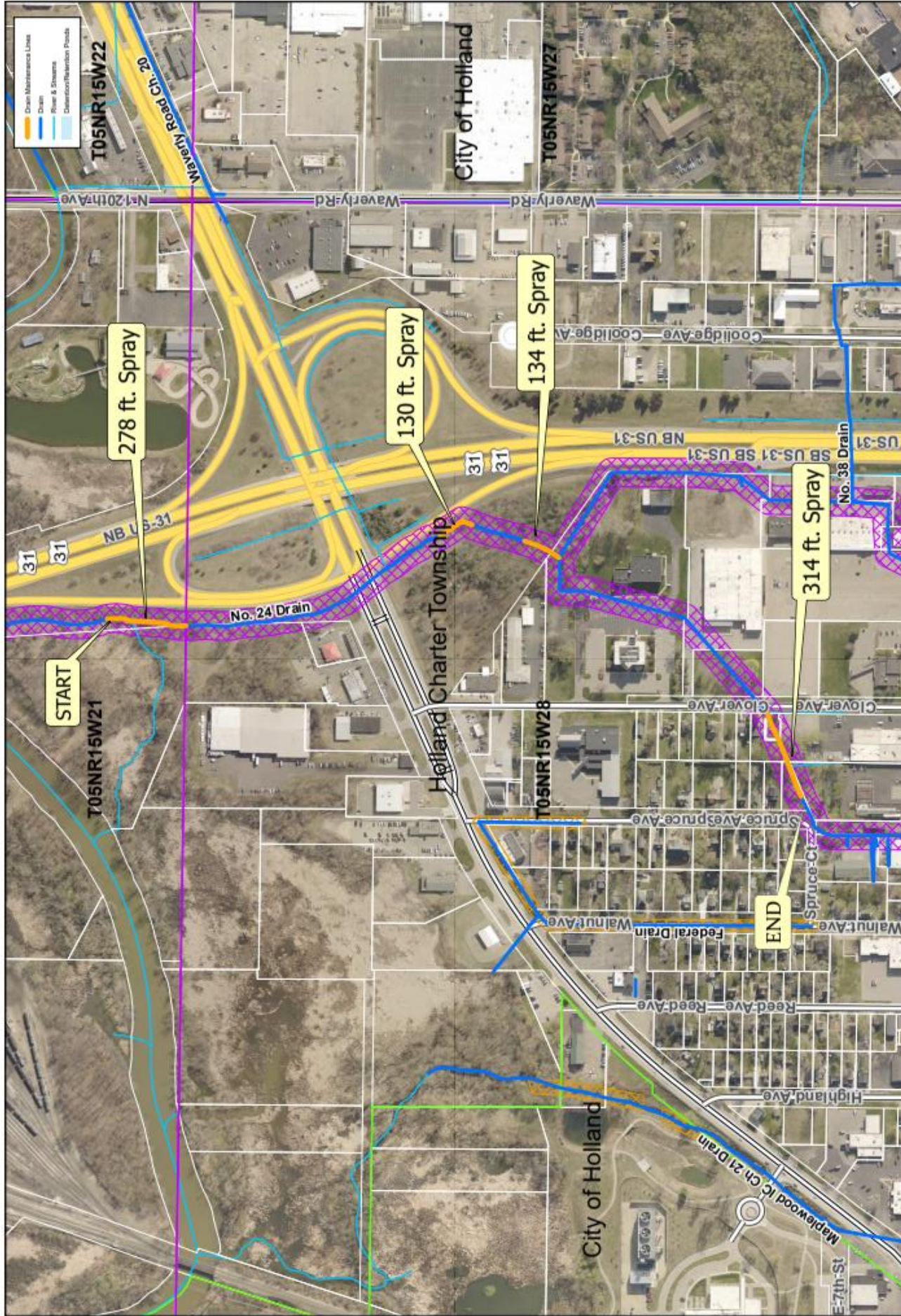
Our contractors will make every effort to avoid damage to crops, fences, buildings, and other structures located outside the right-of-way, as well as to crops and approved structures within the right-of-way. The contractors are scheduled to begin work within the next four weeks.

If you have any concerns or questions about the work, please don't hesitate to call the Water Resources Commissioner's Office at (616) 994-4526. For issues related to the spraying contractor, please contact this office for direct referral to them.

Sincerely,

Emily Grasch  
Drain Inspector

CC:  
Holland Charter Township  
Ottawa Conservation District (616) 842-5852 X5



Section: Holland Sec 28  
 Length: 1002 ft Cleanout  
 Drain length: 1.4 mi  
 Easement:  
 Soil Type:

**Ottawa County Water Resources  
 No. 24 Drain Clean Out**

