

This morning, 6 May 2016, I send this email to *CBC Morning Edition* about the **Wascana Center Authority** story on their future plan which seemed to lack dealing with their huge pesticide use, although they mentioned returning some areas to a more natural state.

A pesticide free Wascana Park would be a great asset in being able to safely use it. Unfortunately, Wascana is not there yet.

Over the years, WCA uses a large amount of pesticides over the year. Their spraying program is already started for the last three weeks and will continue until October.

I have a link to Wascana spraying on our web site at <http://www.snapinfo.ca/home>, bottom right.

The pesticide used so far this spring has been:

Lorox = linuron The table reference below is from <http://pesticideinfo.org/>, which has similar tables for each chemical.

Next week they are starting with *Vantage (glyphosate)* and *2,4-D*. There is no mention of what is used for gopher (ground squirrel) control.

I remember trying to attend Radio-Canada 24th of June event on the CBC terrace to get there when the whole park around had been sprayed that morning with 2,4-D. I think CBC employees should be concerned because of your location. Last year, they were going to spray the whole area of *Wings Over Wascana* just before the event. They fortunately agreed to postpone.

I would be delighted to talk to you further about the issue.

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Summary Toxicity Information for Linuron an other chemicals mentions can be found at <http://pesticideinfo.org/>

Toxicity of Linuron

Toxicity Summary by Category

<u>PAN Bad Actor</u>	<u>Acute Toxicity</u>	<u>Carcinogen</u>	<u>Cholinesterase Inhibitor</u>	<u>Water Contaminant</u>	<u>Developmental or Reproductive Toxin</u>	<u>Endocrine Disruptor</u>
	Slight	Possible	No	Potential		Suspected

