

CLUBROOT MANAGEMENT IN YOUR AREA

AltaLink understands that clubroot is a serious threat to Alberta's agricultural industry and the livelihood of Albertans. We follow a clubroot management procedure, which incorporates the latest research, recommendations, industry best practices, and guidance from the provincial government.

WHAT IS CLUBROOT?

Clubroot is a soil-borne disease that infects the root systems of plants in the Brassicaceae family, including canola, mustard, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, and broccoli. Infection can lead to stunted growth, wilting, yellowing, premature ripening, and death of the plant.

Clubroot is typically spread by:

- water and wind
- contaminated seeds or tubers
- introduction from a previously infested area from improperly cleaned vehicles or equipment

Once established, clubroot is a difficult disease to manage, so our goal is to prevent it in the first place.

MANAGING CLUBROOT

AltaLink has implemented strict procedures for clubroot management in fields and our **rights-of-way**. All AltaLink employees and contractors must follow these during construction or maintenance activities. This includes cleaning vehicles, equipment tools, and footwear following a predetermined sanitation protocol after exiting a field, and prior to entering a new field.

Clubroot is declared a pest under the Agricultural Pests Act and the Government of Alberta has implemented a clubroot management plan. Additional regulations and control measures may be in place in different municipalities and counties across the province to manage and prevent the spread of the disease. AltaLink follows all local and provincial regulations and protocols alongside our internal procedures.



DEFINITION

Right-of-way: A right-of-way (ROW) is a strip of land required for the construction, maintenance and safe operation of a transmission line. A ROW refers to the physical space in which a transmission line is located and includes areas on either side of the transmission line structures and the conductors, which are the wires that carry the electricity.