

Notice type	National Notice
Title	NCCN - Greta Pacific National - Altered Possession Protection Arrangements

AFFECTED AREA

Network Control	Control Centre NCCN (Broadmeadow) Boards Middle Hunter
Network Area	All areas within the defined Network Control Centre(s) and Board(s)

EFFECTIVE PERIOD

Date and time	From/at Tue, 22 Sep 2026 06:30 AEST	To Fri, 25 Sep 2026 06:30 AEST
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REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

Other notices	Empty
Train Alteration Advice	0012-2026
Route Access Standards	Empty
NIBs	OGW-30-16

OPERATING CONDITIONS (GENERAL DETAILS)

For the Hunter Valley Maintenance Closedown, Local Possession Authorities (LPA) will be authorised up to the Private Line Maintenance Interface Boundaries, as described in the applicable Safety Interface Agreements (IA) listed below.

As part the Hunter Valley Maintenance Closedowns, at times infrastructure works will need to be undertaken on the ARTC Network up to and over these Private Line Maintenance Interface Boundaries.

As part of the LPA protection, 117 Points and 119 Points at Greta, at the entrance/exit of the Pacific National Greta Train Support Facility (GTSF), will be clipped and SL locked in the Normal position to prevent unauthorised Rail Traffic entry from the GTSF into the LPA limits.

Up to five (5) trains may be stabled within the GTSF and the stabled Rail Traffic may be within 500m of the possession protection.

SAFEWORKING ARRANGEMENTS

Essential maintenance work is required to be carried out on 117 Points and 119 Points, which involves the removal of the above-mentioned point clips and SL locks during the LPA.

In addition to ARTC Network Rules and Procedures NSFW 302 Local Possession Authority and NSFP 700 Using a Local Possession Authority, the stowed rail traffic will be within 500m of the worksites. To allow for maintenance works to be carried out on 117 Points and/or 119 Points at Greta the following safeworking arrangements must be applied to protect both the LPA and worksite from unauthorised rail traffic entry.

Pacific National GTSF Coordinator will be responsible for:

- Ensure that all rail traffic within the GTSF will not be moved for the duration of the work at 117 Points and 119 Points whilst the LPA is authorised, and
- Advise the Network Controller that the rail traffic will not be moved for the duration of the work at 117 Points and 119 Points.

Before the commencement of works:**Protection Officer (PO) must:**

- Obtain an assurance from the GTSF Coordinator that the rail traffic and rollingstock located within GTSF will remain stationary and will not be moved, and
- Have agreed protection arrangements with the GTSF Coordinator for the works to be undertaken safely up to and over the maintenance interface boundary, and
- Advise the Network Controller of
 - the works to occur within 500m of the LPA Limits, and
 - the agreed arrangements with the GTSF Coordinator, and
 - the requirement to remove the point clips and SL locks, and
- Gain an assurance from the Network Controller that BN95 signal is at STOP with blocking facilities applied, and
- Advise the PPO of the agreed arrangements with the GTSF Coordinator and that rail traffic within the private line is stabled and will not be moved, and
- Place a STOP Sign/Red Light
 - a minimum of 500m from the worksite on the Private Line, **or**
 - at the controlled absolute signal in front of the rail traffic.

Possession Protection Officer (PPO) must:

- Confirm with the PO that they have obtained and verified all the necessary assurances required of their duties, and
- Authorise the PO to place protection and commence work.

At the completion of the works:**Protection Officer (PO) must:**

- Remove the STOP Sign/Red Light, and
- Clip and SL lock both 117 Points and 119 Points in the normal position, and
- Advise the GTSF Coordinator that work has been completed, and
- Advise the Network Controller that the work is completed, and that both 117 Points and 119 Points are in the normal position, with clips and SL locks applied, and
- Advise the PPO that
 - the work is completed, and
 - that both 117 Points and 119 Points are in the normal position, with clips and SL locks applied, and
 - they have also advised the GTSF Coordinator and Network Controller of this.

NOTE: Tracks within the LPA must be protected as per NSFP 700 Using a Local Possession Authority.

ADDITIONAL DETAILS

The nominated Safety Interface Agreement for this Notice is:

Private Line	Interface Agreement No.
Pacific National Greta Train Support Facility	IA 1624

Recipients must ensure this Notice is circulated to and understood by all personnel affected by, or needing to know, its content. This Notice must be issued to all affected Competent Workers. Competent Workers who receive this Notice must follow the requirements.

CONTACTS

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APPROVED BY	Delivery Support Manager NCCN	14/09/2026
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