

Notice type	National Notice
Title	NCCN - South Maitland Railway - Altered Possession Protection Arrangements

AFFECTED AREA

Network Control	Control Centre NCCN (Broadmeadow) Boards Lower 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-30-15

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.

Where essential maintenance work is required to be carried out less than 500m from the limit of the LPA at the South Maitland Railway Interface the following arrangements will apply.

SAFEWORKING ARRANGEMENTS

In addition to ARTC Network Rules and Procedures NSFW 302 Local Possession Authority and NSFP 700 Using a Local Possession Authority, where worksites are located less than 500m from the end limit of the LPA, will be permissible to work on the East Greta Arrival and Departure Roads within 500m of the limit of the LPA without a Work on Track Authority adjoining the end limit.

The South Maitland Railway (SMR) Signaller will be responsible for:

- Ensuring that they provide blocking facilities and do not remove them until the work has been completed, and

- Ensuring that they do not authorise any rail traffic movements toward the ARTC LPA limits whilst a worksite is located within 500m of the LPA limits.

Before the commencement of works:

Protection Officer (PO) must:

- Communicate with SMR Signaller at the South Maitland Rail Signal Box, and
- Obtain an assurance from the SMR Signaller that they have placed blocking facilities on the East Great Arrival and Departure Roads adjacent to the LPA, and
- Advise the PPO of the agreed arrangements with SMR Signaller.

Protection Officer (PO) must:

- Confirm with the PO that 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:

- Advise the SMR Signaller that the work is completed, and
- Advise the PPO that the work is completed.

ADDITIONAL DETAILS

The nominated Safety Interface Agreement for this Notice is:

Private Line	Interface Agreement No.
South Maitland Railways East Greta Junction	IA 1509

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

Possession Protection Officer	PPO South - Kooragang to Farley	(02)49029470
South Maitland Railways	Signal Box	(02)49326552

APPROVED BY	Delivery Support Manager NCCN	14/09/2026
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