

Notice Type:	SAFE Notice		
Location:	Greta		
Subject Title:	Altered Possession Protection Arrangements		
Operator(s):	Pacific National		
Corridor/line:	Hunter Valley		
Control Board:	NCCN - Middle Hunter		
Effective From:	03/04/2024	Time1:	0630hrs
Effective To:	06/04/2024	Time2:	0630hrs

General Details:

Local Possession Authorities (LPA) will be implemented as part of the Hunter Valley Closedown program.

As part of the LPA protection, No.117 Points and No.119 Points, Greta, at the entrance/exit of the Pacific National Greta Train Support Facility (GTSF), will be clipped and 'SL' locked in 'Normal' 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 trains may be within 500m of the possession protection.

To allow for works to be carried out on No.117 Points and/or No.119 Points, Greta the following safeworking arrangements must, prior to any maintenance work commencing, be applied to protect both the LPA from unauthorised rail traffic entry and the worksite.

The nominated Safety Interface Agreement for this SAFE Notice is:

Title	Interface Agreement Number
Pacific National Greta Train Support Facility	IA1624

Safeworking Arrangements:

In exception to ARTC Network Rule ANWT302 LPA - Protecting Worksites:

- make sure that the limits of the Authority are protected against unauthorised entry or exit by rail traffic,
- the distance between the signal protecting the limits of the Authority and a fixed worksite must not be less than 500m unless:
 - points can be secured to prevent access to the portion of track within the LPA limits, or
 - a Work on Track Authority adjoining the entry end limit has been authorised for the period of the work

To allow for works to be carried out on No.117 Points and/or No.119 Points, Greta it will be permissible to remove the 'SL' Locks and point clips and undertake the works using the following controls:

Before the commencement of works:

The **Possession Protection Officer** must:

- authorise the Protection Officer to implement a worksite less than 500m from the end limit of the LPA, and
- direct the Protection Officer on the change/s to the LPA possession protection at No.117 Points and/or No.119 Points, Greta.

The Protection Officer must:

- obtain an assurance from the Pacific National Greta Train Coordinator that any rail traffic located within the GTSF is stabled and will not be moved, and
- have agreed worksite protection arrangements with the Pacific National Greta Train Coordinator when working within 500m of the ARTC/Pacific National GTSF Interface Boundary at No.117 Points and/or No.119 Points, Greta, and
- tell the Network Controller of –
 - the works to occur within 500m of the LPA limits
 - the agreed arrangements with the Pacific National Greta Train Coordinator, and
- obtain an assurance from the Network Controller that Signal BN95 is at STOP with blocking facilities applied, and
- tell the Possession Protection Officer of the agreed arrangements with the Pacific National Greta Train Coordinator and the Network Controller, and
- position and secure points in the GTSF with a point clip and 'SL' lock to protect the worksite, as necessary, and
- place worksite protection as per the agreed arrangements with the Pacific National Greta Train Coordinator

At the completion of works:

The **Protection Officer**, as soon as the work is complete, must:

- replace the possession protection in accordance with ANWT 302 Local Possession Authority and ANPR 700 Using a Local Possession Authority, and
- remove the worksite protection, and any point clips, from the GTSF track/s, and
- tell the Pacific National Greta Train Coordinator and the Network Controller -
 - the works are complete, and
 - the worksite protection, and any point clips, have been removed from the GTSF track/s, and
- tell the **Possession Protection Officer** -
 - the works are complete, and
 - the worksite protection, and any point clips, have been removed from the GTSF track/s
 - No.117 Points and No.119 Points, Greta are clipped and 'SL' locked in 'Normal'

Note:

- Track/s within the Local Possession Authority must be protected as per ANWT 302 Local Possession Authority and ANPR 700 Using a Local Possession Authority.
Worksite protection referred to in this SAFE Notice can consist of Railway Track Signals and red flags/red lights or STOP signs/red lights.

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.

Contact Details:

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Approval:

Approved by: Network Operations Specialist NCCN

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