

Notice Type: SAFE Notice

Location: Sandgate

Subject Title: Altered Possession Protection Arrangements

Corridor/line: Hunter Valley

Control Board: Lower Hunter

Effective From: 01/10/2024 **Time1:** 0300hrs

Effective To: 04/10/2024 **Time2:** 0300hrs

Reference Documents:

Train Alteration Advice: 0047-2024

Network Information Book: OGW-30-15

General Details / Operating Condition:

A Local Possession Authority (LPA) will be taken inclusive of the Up and Down Mains and Rail Traffic will be stabled within the Sandgate Crawford's Siding.

As part of the LPA Protection, No.190 points at Sandgate at the entrance/exit to the siding will be clipped and 'SL' locked to prevent unauthorised entry into the LPA from the siding.

Essential maintenance works is to be carried out on 190 points at Sandgate, which will require the removal of the point clips and 'SL' locks from No.190 points

Safeworking Arrangements:

In exception to ARTC Network Rule ANWT302 Local Possession Authority and Procedure ANPR 700 Using a Local Possession Authority the stowed trains will be within 500m of the worksites.

Prior to any work commencing agreed arrangements must be put in place to protect the LPA from unauthorised rail traffic entry as detailed in this SAFE Notice.

Note: Worksite protection as described within ANWT 302 and ANPR 700 must be applied within the LPA limits.

Prior to beginning works

The Possession Protection Officer must:

- Obtain an assurance that the access gate to the Sandgate Crawford's siding (located at 171.383km) is to be shut and locked.

The Protection Officer must:

- Obtain an assurance from the Private Line Owner that rail traffic located within the Private Line is stabled and will not be moved, and
- Have agreed protection arrangements with the Private Line Owner for the works to be undertaken safely when working within 500m of the Private Line, and
- Obtain a Work on Track Authority for the Sandgate Crawford's Siding from the Network Controller inclusive of 1No.90 points to SS106.7 signal, and
- Tell the Network Controller of the works to occur beyond the limits of the Work on Track Authority, and

- Tell the Network Controller of the works to occur within 500m of the LPA Limits and the agreed arrangements with the Private Line Owner, and
- Tell the Possession Protection Officer of the agreed arrangements with the Private Line Owner and that rail traffic within the private line is stabled and will not be moved, and
- Place a STOP Sign Red Light at the gate into the Sandgate Siding at 171.550kms

At the completion of works the Protection Officer must:

- Replace the point clip and SL lock on No.190 points in the Normal position, and
- Remove the STOP Sign from the Sandgate Crawfords entry gate at 171.550kms, and
- Fulfill the Work on Track Authority with the Network Controller, and
- Inform the private siding owner that the works are completed and have cleared the line, and
- Inform the Possession Protection Officer the point clip and SL lock has been replaced on No.190 points in the Normal position and the STOP Sign has been removed.

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.

Approval:

Approved by: Network Operations Specialist, Network Control Centre North

Date: 24/09/2024