

16 August 2017

SUPER RAILWAY SHUTDOWN

- **Track work from 10pm, Friday, 18 August – 6pm Tuesday 22 August**
- **More than \$2 million of maintenance**

More than 40 individual projects will take place from next week to upgrade and renew the railway line in an upcoming Sydney – Albury maintenance blitz.

The Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC) will carry out the 18 – 22 August works including ballast cleaning, rail corridor tidy-up works, improvements to rail structures and signalling maintenance.

“This shutdown will see the staff on the ground working around the clock to get the job done quickly and safely in the window where fewer or no trains will be running,” said Brian Green, General Manager Asset Management, for ARTC’s Interstate Network.

“We’d like to thank the community for their patience with us while this important work is delivered and we would also like to ask motorists to take extra care and be cautious of trucks entering and exiting work sites,” Mr Green said.

“Passenger services such as the XPT and Southern Highlands trains will also be replaced by coaches during the weekend (19, 20 August) – so we are asking the community to please plan ahead and see how they might be impacted by the works.”

Please visit www.nswtrainlink.info for further information relating to passenger services.

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Note to newsdesks. There are road closures during this shutdown. Descriptions of project works by location are provided on page 2.

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- Visit our [trackwork calendar](#).

Road closures

ARTC is carrying out important maintenance works which require the following level crossings to be closed:

- Cootamundra – Back Brawlin Road – closed 6am Saturday, 19 August - 3pm Monday, 21 August
- Goondah (NW of Yass) – Goondah Road - closed 6am Saturday, 19 August – 6pm Sunday, 20 August

Please plan ahead to avoid these areas where possible to limit inconvenience.

Project Locations

Area	Locations	Works (indicative only)
Southern Highlands	Exeter, Wingello, Bundanoon, Towrang, Moss Vale	Culvert works, vegetation management
Southern Tablelands	Goulburn, Fish River, Cullerin	Turnout replacement/repairs, underbridge renewal
Southern Slopes/ Riverina	Galong, Goondah, Harden, Illalong, Cootamundra	Turnout replacement/repairs, underbridge maintenance/renewal, level crossing renewal (x2)
Riverina/ Wagga	Henty, Junee, Culcairn	Underbridge maintenance/renewal
Entire Rail Corridor	Albury – MacArthur	Re-railing works, Ballast cleaning, Ballast undercutting, track resurfacing/tamping, vegetation management Nb. Ballast cleaning and tamping require the use of large track machines