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1 General Information

1.1 Board Extent

Botany Yard (inclusive) to Enfield South (exclusive) Down Goods signal ED101 (12.737km) & Up Goods signal G12.8 (12.793km),

Marrickville Junction to Meeks Road Interface CR711G (6.371km) & SM710 (5.648km)

This area is controlled by the Sydney 1 Network Controller, Network Control Centre South (NCCS).

Contact Numbers:

Phone: (02) 6924 9806

Train Transit Manager: (02) 6930 5311

Emergency: (02) 6924 9866

1.2 Safeworking System

Rail Vehicle Detection

1.3 Applicable Rules

Safeworking – Network Rules and Procedures

ARTC Network Rules and Procedures will apply to the Metropolitan Freight Network and the Southern Sydney Freight Line. To ensure consistent application of Network Rules and Procedures in the Sydney Trains and ARTC shared rail corridor areas where the Southern Sydney Freight Line and Metropolitan Freight Network operates, ARTC and Sydney Trains have agreed to variations to their respective Network Rules and Procedures which will apply as detailed.

ANWT 304 Track Occupancy Authority and ANPR 701 Using a Track Occupancy Authority

In exception to the requirement in ARTC Rule ANWT 304 page 4, Authorisation, Attended locations and ANPR 701 page 3, Obtaining a Track Occupancy Authority, Network Controllers, Network Control Officers and Protection Officers must compile a Track Occupancy Authority form (ANRF 002B) when a Track Occupancy Authority is wholly within the yard limits of an ARTC attended location.

ANWT 308 Absolute Signal Blocking

In exception to the requirement in ARTC Rule ANWT 308 page 4, Protection Methods, Protection Officers when requesting Absolute Signal Blocking (ASB) on the ARTC Network must make sure that:

- two consecutive controlled signals can be set at STOP with blocking facilities applied, or
- an ESML handle can be removed to exclude rail traffic, or
- one controlled signal can be set at STOP with blocking facilities applied, and
 - a set of points can be secured to prevent accessor
 - an easily-reached safe place is available and a Lookout is provided.

Network Controllers and Network Control Officers must make sure that when Protection Officers request an ASB on the ARTC / Sydney Trains shared rail corridor that the above requirements are observed.

NWT 310 Lookout Working

In addition to the requirements of Sydney Trains Rule NWT 310, Sydney Trains will ensure that persons working under NWT 310 Lookout Working, Protection Officers when requesting Lookout Working must make sure that:

- Work in the Danger Zone using the Lookout Working method must be done in daylight hours only, for a maximum of two (2) hours, and
- If the work is to continue beyond this time, it is to be treated as a new application.

Network Controllers and Network Control Officers must make sure that when Protection Officers request Lookout Working on the ARTC / Sydney Trains shared rail corridor that the above requirement is observed.

The above exceptions are summarized in the following table:

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

SYDNEY TRAINS	ARTC
NWT 304 NIL	ANWT 304 A Track Occupancy Authority form (ANRF 002B) must be compiled when a Track Occupancy Authority is wholly within the yard limits of an ARTC attended location.
NWT 308 (Absolute Block) NIL	ANWT 308 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • two consecutive controlled signals can be set at STOP with blocking facilities applied, or • an ESML handle can be removed to exclude rail traffic, or • one controlled signal can be set at STOP with blocking facilities applied, and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> a set of points can be secured to prevent access or <input type="checkbox"/> an easily-reached safe place is available and a Lookout is provided.
NWT 310 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work in the Danger Zone using the Lookout Working method must be done in daylight hours only, for a maximum of two (2) hours, and • if the work is to continue beyond this time, it is to be treated as a new application. 	ANWT 310 NIL

1.4 Adjacent Train Control Boards / Centres

ARTC Sydney 2	(02) 6924 9804	Emergency	(02) 6924 9864
Sydney Trains	(02) 9379 4733		
Meeks Rd	(02) 8568 3458		

1.5 Section Operating Equipment

1.5.1 Interlockings and Sidings

Km	Interlocking, Station, Platform or Siding	Length of Passenger Platform in Metres
6.744	Patrick Sydney Autostrad Terminal	
6.749	Hutchisons	
7.174	DP World	
7.221	DP World Logistics	
7.907	Botany No 6 Siding	
8.122	Veolia	
9.261	Botany Roads 1 to 4	
9.852	Gelco Siding	
12.822	Cooks River Loop	
14.095	James Siding	
14.699	Cooks River Yard	
6.592	Marrickville Junction	

1.6 Train Braking Requirements

Brake Holding Tests for the Rearmost Vehicles (retention tests)

The following apply:

1. The operator **shall** put into place systems for conducting brake holding tests.
2. The number of vehicles (or for articulated or permanently coupled vehicles the number of triple valve control units) required to conform to the requirements of this sub-section shall be:
 - a. Three (3) for freight trains operated in New South Wales;
 - b. Two (2) for freight trains not entering New South Wales; and
 - c. One (1) for all passenger trains where a guard is provided or three (3) for passenger trains without guards.
3. The vehicle operator shall ensure that air and hand brakes operate correctly.
4. The air brakes on the vehicles **shall** remain effectively applied for a period of time, based on train length, considered sufficient for a member of the train (locomotive) crew to reach the vehicles and secure handbrakes in the event of a breakaway en route.
5. This time **shall** be ten (10) minutes plus three (3) minutes for each 100 metres or part thereof of train length. For example, a train 1240 metres long will require a holding (retention) time of $13 \times 3 + 10 = 49$ minutes.
6. If any of the required number of vehicles (as specified in item (2) above) fail the above test (as specified in item (5) above), generally known as a holding or retention test, the faulty vehicle(s) **shall** be repaired or the train remmarshalled to ensure compliance with the requirements of items (3) and (4) above.
7. Brake holding tests successfully completed will remain valid for the departure within a period of 24 hours from completion of the test. After that period, the vehicles **shall** be re-tested.

Freight Trains

On freight trains, the maximum number of inoperative or isolated brakes permitted on a train **shall** be either of the following:

1. One conventional two-bogie vehicle for every ten (10) vehicles in the train where the vehicle is isolated as a unit.
2. One bogie for every ten (10) bogies in the train where individual bogies can be isolated or the isolation of triple valve control units affects more than two (2) bogies. This applies, only on the proviso that the total un-braked mass of the train **shall not** exceed 10% of the total train mass (excluding the mass of the hauling locomotives).

Item (1) above applies where the only vehicles isolated are conventional two-bogie vehicles. In all other cases, the requirements of item (2) **shall** be followed.

For the purposes of this clause, a four-wheel (two-axle) vehicle **shall** be counted as one bogie, and locomotives under power **shall not** be counted as train vehicles.

1.7 Level Crossings

ALCAM ID is the number allocated from the Australian Level Crossing Assessment Model used by rail and road managers across Australia. It's a national database for assessing risk which is overseen by a National Committee and supported by the Rail Industry Safety Standards Board (RISSB).

ALCAM ID	Road Name	Line Segment	KM	Traffic Type	Access	Control Type
	Port Botany Service Crossing	MFN	6.906	Road	Private	Gates and Stop Signs
4348	Hi-Rail Take-off Up Main & Run Around Cooks River	MFN	12.935	Road	Private	Gates and Stop Signs

1.8 Emergency Local Releases

Nil

1.9 Maximum Permanent Speeds and Permanent Speed Restrictions

Refer the Route Access Standard – Defined Interstate Rail Network Section Pages D45 for all speed information.

1.10 Maximum Train Length

Maximum train length is 1300 metres

1.11 Structure Clearances

Refer Route Access Standards for Rolling Stock Outlines.

1.12 Communications

The National Train Communications System (NTCS) is the Primary communications system for the ARTC controlled rail network and is mandatory for all operators to operate their locomotives using a NTCS ICE (In-Cabin Equipment) Unit as the primary communications device.

A standard ICE unit is installed with the following components

- Telstra NextG™ transceiver
- Iridium satellite transceiver
- UHF Radio
- GPS

The ICE unit primary communications is via the Telstra NextG™ and backup communications is provided via the Iridium Satellite network. The ICE unit will automatically call the Junee network control centre when the routine and emergency buttons are pressed.

The UHF radio is used for the Local train Radio – Train to Train and train to track Side communications.

UHF Local Train Radio (LTR) frequency details

Frequency: 418.425 MHz (UHF),

Bandwidth: 12.5 KHz,

EIRP: 41W (remote/low density areas), 8.3W (medium & high density areas)

Tx CTCSS: 162.2 Hz

Rx CTCSS: 162.2 Hz

Selcall: disabled

Alternate Communication for this section is by mobile or satellite phones.

WB radio communication with Sydney Trains Sydenham is available in the Cooks River to Marrickville Junction section.

1.13 Wayside Monitoring Systems

There are no Wayside devices in this section.

1.14 Ruling Gradients

Botany Yard to Enfield	1 in 100
Enfield to Botany Yard	1 in 100

1.15 Curve and Gradient Data

For all Curve and Gradient data, refer to the ARTC Internet.

https://extranet.artc.com.au/eng_network-config_cd.html

1.16 Drawing Legend

	Standard gauge track		Dual gauge track
	Advisory Sign or Location Sign		Speed sign
	Pedestrian Crossing		Passive Protection Level Crossing
	Active Protection Level Crossing – Flashing Lights		Active Protection Level Crossing – Lights and Boom
	Bridge or Overpass		Underpass
	River/Creek or Significant river bridge or Viaduct		Station or Platform
	Tunnel		Crossover
	Turnout		Catchpoint
	Derail		Points Operating Mechanism
	Point Indicator		Mechanical Frame
	Automatic Signals		Controlled Signals
	Dwarf Signals		Signal number reference
	Distant Signal		Repeater Signal
	Overheight Detectors		Wayside Equipment

2 Locations and Sections Information

2.1 Yard Limits

Port Botany and Cooks River are located within the Yard Limits of Port Botany with the Yard Limit and End Yard Limit on the Up Goods at signal CR720 (7.208 km) and the Yard Limit and End Yard Limit on the Down Goods at signal G7.1 (7.034 km).

2.2 Port Botany Yard (BTY)

General Arrangements

The Port Botany facility is accessed via the Botany Goods line. Network Control Centre South (NCCS) controls operation of equipment including motor points, colour light signals and rail vehicle detection provided by track circuits.

Roads 1 to 4 have bi-directional operation.

For details regarding private sidings refer to safety interface agreements IA1904, IA1907, IA1908, IA1909 and IA1910.

Boundary Gates and Vehicle Access

There are three (3) access gates to Botany Yard.

- Swinbourne Street – Located at the western end of the Yard and opens onto the vehicle access road.
- McPherson Street – Located halfway along the Yard and opens onto the vehicle access road.
- Penrhyn Road – Also known as Gate 118, is a port precinct access gate licenced to ARTC by NSW Ports. This gate is located on Penrhyn Road opposite Gate 110a.
 - This is the main gate that leads to the vehicle access road over a three (3) track level crossing and has been identified as a major safety and security risk.
 - It is a requirement of ARTCs lease that Gate 118 is kept closed and locked when not in use.

All boundary gates are fitted with a chain and NSW boundary gate lock. Authorised personnel gaining access to Botany Yard must ensure that the above three (3) boundary gates are closed and locked after entering or exiting Botany Yard.

Operating Guidelines

- All trains must be individually crewed when in Botany yard (2-person crew).
- No trains are permitted to stow in Botany Yard.
- Trains without port windows or missed port windows will be held at Enfield and only progressed to Botany when revised port windows are confirmed.
- Trains running 1.5 hours early to the first planned port window will be held at Enfield.
- Trains are required to depart Botany Yard no later than 1.5 hours after last port window.
- Trains with excessive time (3+ hours) between windows may at the discretion of the Network Controller be required to depart Botany Yard and stage at Enfield.

Train Communications

Operation of Botany Admin Radio in the ARTC Botany Yard area is transferred and managed by the Network Controller at NCCS. Provision of hand-portable Admin radio units for use within Botany Yard is the responsibility of Rail Operators.

Operation of Power-operated Points in an Emergency

All points are electrically controlled from the NCCS.

If these points fail to operate correctly, a transit alarm will sound and Network Controller must try to restore the points to their previous position to allow trains to continue running.

Emergency Switch Machine Locks (ESMLs) and Emergency Operating Locks (EOLs) are provided for the Emergency manual operation of points and catch points. The ESML and EOL cabinets are located near each point's machine and labelled with numbering to match the points.

Safeworking Signs

Sign	Line	Position
Begin Single Light Indication	Goods Line	11.018km
End Single Light Indication	Goods Line	10.205km
Catch Point	Gelco Siding	9.782km
Catch Point	Gelco Siding	9.572km
End Signalled Authority Do Not Proceed Unless Authorised	No 1 Siding Veolia	8.063km
End Signalled Authority Do Not Proceed Unless Authorised	Siding No 6	7.833km
End Signalled Authority Do Not Proceed Unless Authorised	North Siding DP World Logistics	7.177km
End Signalled Authority Do Not Proceed Unless Authorised	No 1 Siding DP World	6.876km
End Signalled Authority Do Not Proceed Unless Authorised	No 2 Siding DP World	6.876km
End Signalled Authority Do Not Proceed Unless Authorised	No 4 Siding Hutchisons	6.640km
End Signalled Authority Do Not Proceed Unless Authorised	No 1 Siding Patrick	6.665km
End Signalled Authority Do Not Proceed Unless Authorised	No 2 Siding Patrick	6.665km

Orica Alarm Process

In the event of an Orica alarm activation, train crew personnel must communicate with the Network Controller to confirm the required action. The Network Controller will co-ordinate with the Orica control centre and advice train crew personnel of the required response.

2.2.1 Line of Sight Shunting

Requirements for conducting Line of Sight Shunting

Whilst carrying out Line of Sight Shunting strict radio protocols must always be adhered to as per ANPR 721 Spoken and Written Communication and discreet forms of communication must be used.

If motor vehicles are to be used for the purposes of Line of Sight Shunting they must be fitted with the following operational hazard warning lights:

- Hazard warning lights front and rear of vehicle
- A roof mounted rotating amber coloured warning beacon that must be visible for 360 degrees.

The roof mounted warning beacon may be either portable or permanently fixed. Hazard warning lights and roof mounted warning beacons must always be operating during Line of Sight Shunting movements.

Shunting instructions must not be given from within moving motor vehicles.

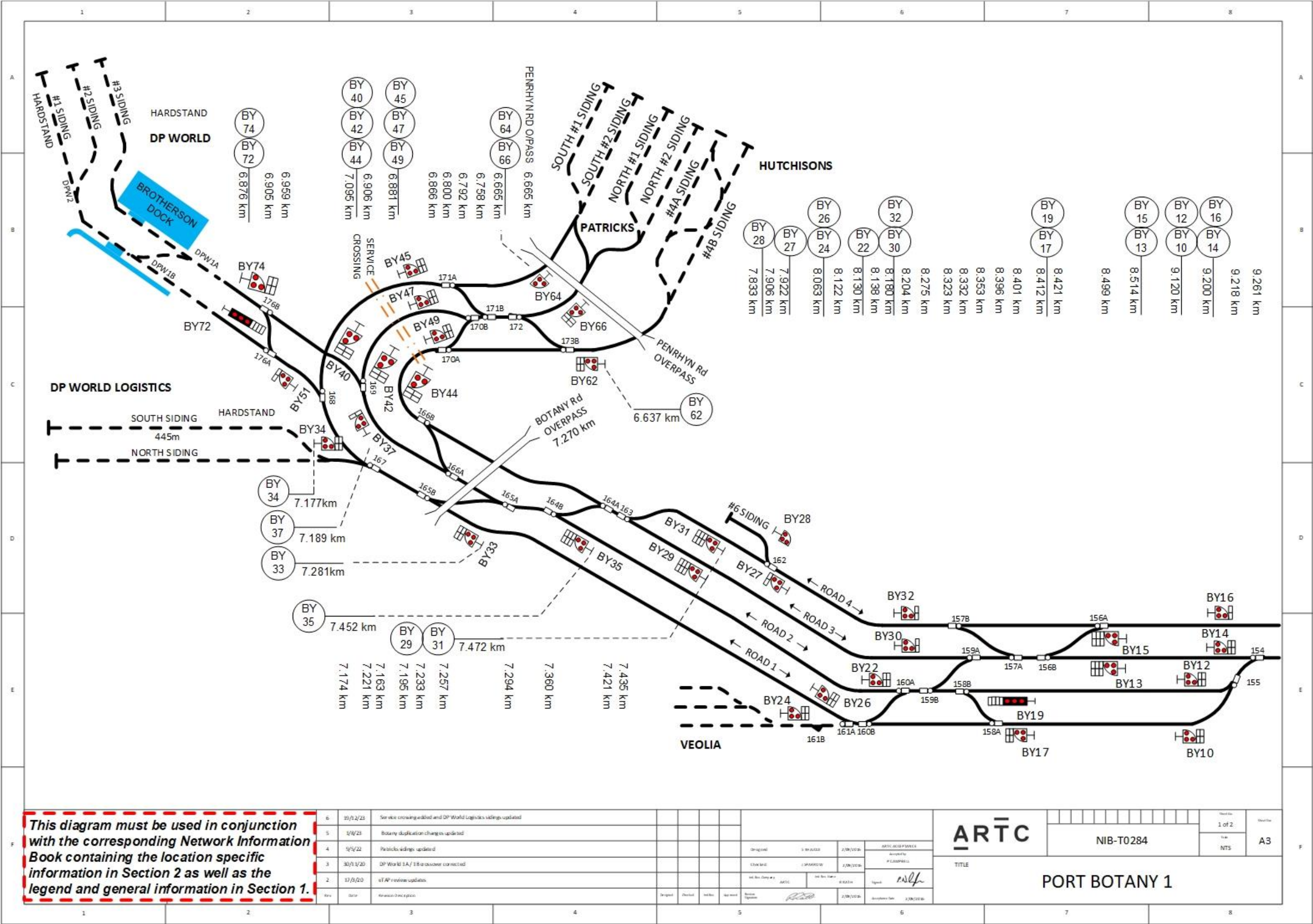
All personnel involved in the Line of Sight Shunting movements must be briefed prior to the movement commencing and must have a common understanding and agree to all planned movements to be carried out.

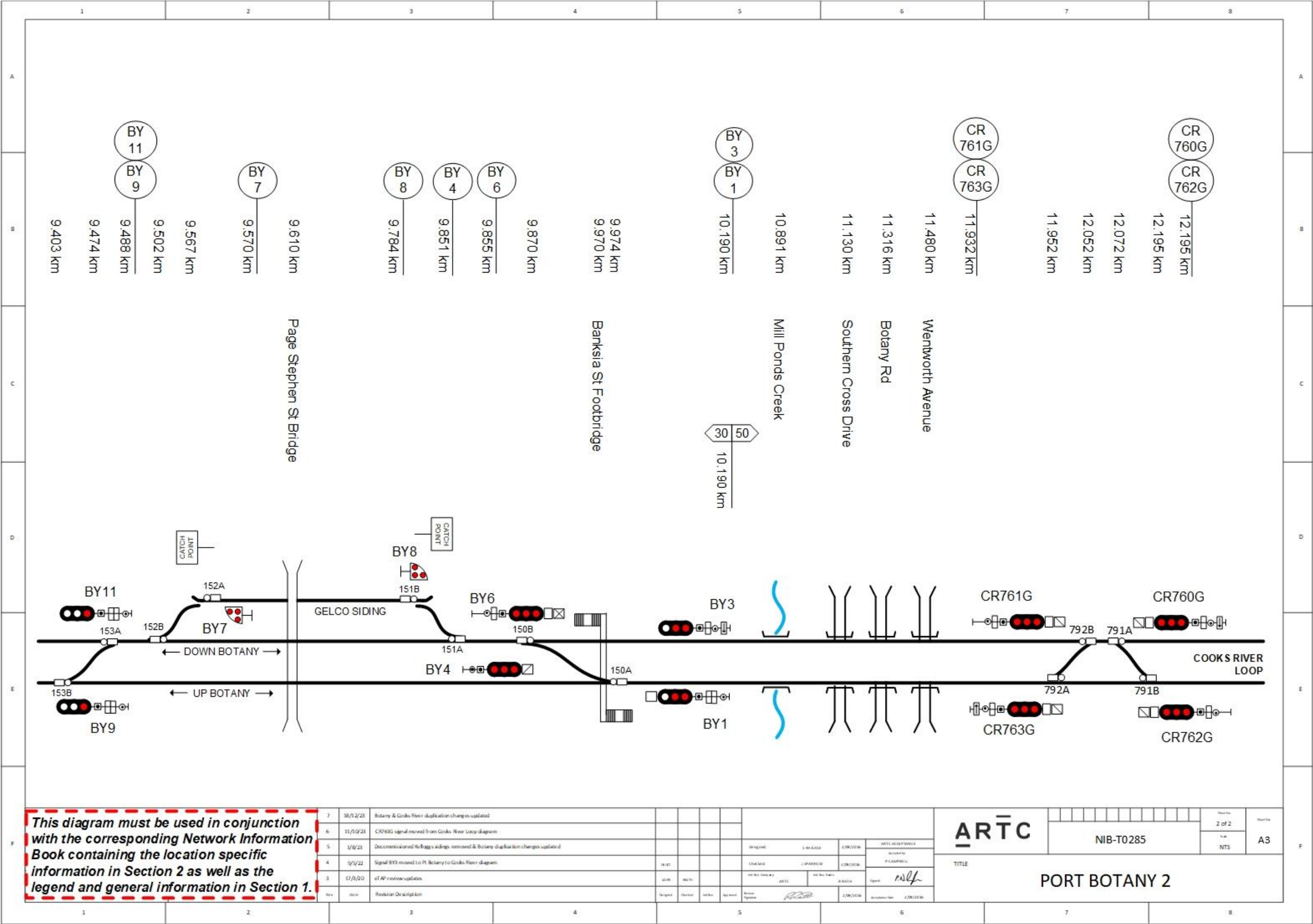
Line of Sight Location

A location from which a Competent Worker, conducting a shunt movement, can maintain a clear view of a shunt movement and the route over which it is to travel as it is being propelled towards the Competent Worker.

Line of Sight Shunting Protocol

1. The Competent Worker controlling the shunting movement must gain authorisation from the ARTC Network Controller in NCCS before commencing any Line of Sight Shunting movements.
2. The Competent Worker must ensure all points are set for the intended route.
3. Prior to commencing the movement, the Competent Worker must proceed from the rear of the train to the line of sight location.
4. The Competent Worker must then instruct the driver to propel towards the line of sight location.
5. The Competent Worker must always maintain sight of the lead vehicle of the movement.
6. The movement must be stopped at the line of sight location.
7. Once the movement is stationary at the line of sight location, the Competent Worker must then proceed to the next line of sight location.
8. Repeat steps 3 to 7 for each successive line of sight location until the propelling movement is completed.
9. Any issues associated with the use of line of sight shunting must immediately be reported to the ARTC Network Controller in NCCS.





2.3 Cooks River Loop

General Arrangements

Operations along (RVD) Metropolitan Freight Network (MFN) Line are remotely controlled by the ARTC Network Control Centre South (NCCS).

The Cooks River Loop is connected to the Up Botany line.

The through movement of trains from the Up Botany line is signalled by the NCCS.

Cooks River Loop

Cooks River Loop is capable of holding 655 metre trains.

Up and Down trains may travel through the Cooks River Loop on the authority of the fixed signals.

Catch points are located at both end of Cooks River Loop.

787 & 788 points are self-normalising points.

Operation of Power-operated Points in an Emergency

All main line points are electrically controlled from the NCCS.

If these points fail to operate correctly, a transit alarm will sound and Network Controller must try to restore the points to their previous position to allow trains to continue running.

Emergency Switch Machine Locks (ESML's) are provided for the Emergency manual operation of points and catch points.

The Signals maintenance representative must be promptly advised of failure circumstances.



2.4 Cooks River (CVR)

General Arrangements

Operations along (RVD) Metropolitan Freight Network (MFN) Line are remotely controlled by the ARTC Network Control Centre South (NCCS).

Cooks River Run Around

Cooks River run around is capable of holding 480 metre trains.

Up and Down trains may travel through the Cooks River Run Around line on the authority of the fixed signals.

Catch points are located at both end of Cooks River Run Around.

785 & 786 points are self-normalising points.

Cooks River Private Sidings

Cooks River comprises of three private sidings. There are 4 interfaces shown on the diagram: MCS Cooks River Yard, Boral Cement Siding and James Transport Siding North and South.

Movements into and exiting the Private Sidings are managed by NCCS.

Catch points are located at the connection points to the ARTC Network. C & D frames are manually operated and release is given by NCCS. F frame is manually operated and has a facing point lock with electrical detector and a releasing switch / key (802).

781 points are self-normalising points.

For further details regarding private sidings refer to safety interface agreements IA1912, IA1913 and IA1914.

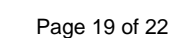
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2.5 Marrickville Junction (MKV)

General Arrangements

Operations along (RVD) Metropolitan Freight Network (MFN) Line are remotely controlled by the ARTC Network Control Centre South (NCCS).

Marrickville Junction

The Botany Line joins the Goods Line at Marrickville Junction. The Goods Line interfaces with the Sydney Trains Network at Marrickville Junction. Refer safety interface agreement IA1903 for further details.

Operation of Power-operated Points in an Emergency

All main line points are electrically controlled from the NCCS.

If these points fail to operate correctly, a transit alarm will sound and Network Controller must try to restore the points to their previous position to allow trains to continue running.

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