

CRN Catastrophic, Extreme & Severe Fire Alert

Rolling Stock Operators

Rolling Stock Operators, train crews and all relevant personnel are advised that an Extreme and Severe fire danger warning has been issued for areas covering the following Country Regional Network (CRN) lines;

Extreme

- CRN West Control – Lithgow-Bathurst-Blayney-Orange
- CRN North West Control – Tamworth and Narrabri-Walgett

Severe

- CRN West Control – Dubbo-Parkes
- CRN North West Control – Armidale-Walcha Road
- CRN South Control – Temora, Goulburn-Canberra

Relevant personnel are asked to ensure that their train is operating correctly, all systems are operating normally and that braking systems are properly released.

During the journey, relevant personnel are asked to be especially vigilant and observe both the operations of the train and any activities around the corridor that are suspicious and report them to Network Control.

If Emergency Services request John Holland Rail CRN to stop train services to facilitate firefighting (or because there is imminent danger and/or emergency egress required through the rail corridor) Network Control will advise all affected trains.

CRN Staff and Contractors working on track

During a total fire ban, **NO Hot Work** can be done in the open air without an authority issued by the Maintenance Delivery Manager or their nominated delegate.

All staff and contractors performing work that has the potential to cause a fire are requested to re-assess the requirement for this work to be conducted tomorrow. All staff and contractors should contact their Supervisor or nominated John Holland Rail CRN contact if they have concerns over planned work and possible alternatives.

Monitor the [NSW Rural Fire Service \(RFS\)](#) and [Bureau of Meteorology \(BOM\)](#) website for updates on total fire bans and weather forecasts.

CRN Staff and Contractors travelling

All John Holland Rail CRN staff and Contractors required to travel must check prior to leaving that roads are open and your route is safe, check your vehicle is in good condition, you have an adequate amount of petrol and you have sufficient water for all people you are travelling with. Advise your manager when you arrive at your destination to confirm you are safe.

Please note the Greater Sydney (including the Blue Mountains) and Greater Hunter are under a Catastrophic fire warning on Tuesday 12 November. Travel in those areas should be undertaken with extreme caution.