

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## South and South Western NSW services affected by ARTC scheduled maintenance

A number of NSW TrainLink Regional and Intercity services operating in southern and south western parts of NSW will be affected by scheduled trackwork being undertaken by the Australian Rail Track Corporation from 2-6 September.

NSW TrainLink CEO Rob Mason said: "This trackwork has been scheduled this week to alleviate the annual trackwork in December that normally affects XPT peak demand services during the Christmas period."

"Although the inconvenience caused by trackwork is regrettable at any time, I believe avoiding the Christmas Closedown is a great outcome for our customers as it will mean no disruption during the busy holiday period."

Southern Highlands Intercity services will be replaced by buses this Saturday (3 September) and Sunday (4 September) between Goulburn, Moss Vale and Campbelltown. Other services affected by the trackwork include:

- All Canberra and Griffith XPLORER services will be replaced by road coaches
- On Saturday 3 September the 7.33am Sydney to Melbourne XPT and the 8.30am Melbourne to Sydney XPT will be replaced by coaches between Sydney and Goulburn.
- All other South XPT's from Saturday 3 September up until Tuesday 6 September will be replaced by coaches between Sydney and Albury with customers joining the XPT for travel between Albury and Melbourne.

NSW TrainLink is contacting all customers affected by the trackwork to advise of changes to their travel arrangements.

Customers can book on a later service if they wish and should be aware that altered timetables will be in place while this essential track maintenance is undertaken.

On Monday 5 and Tuesday 6 September Southern Highlands morning services (6.09am from Moss Vale to Goulburn and the 7.40am from Goulburn to Moss Vale) will be affected by trackwork with these services being replaced with buses.

Further information is available at <a href="https://www.nswtrainlink.info">www.nswtrainlink.info</a> or by phoning 13 22 32.

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