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Regional Rail Project

Jobs, Skills and Industry Participation

Frequently asked questions

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In February 2019, the NSW Government signed a contract with Momentum Trains to finance the Regional Rail Project, design, build and maintain the new fleet as well as design, build, maintain and operate a new, purpose-built Mindyarra Maintenance Centre in Dubbo.

Momentum Trains is an international consortium comprising CAF, UGL Rail Services, Pacific Partnerships, CAF Investment Projects and DIF Infrastructure V Coöperatief.

Jobs, Skills and Industry Participation (JSIP)

What is JSIP?

As part of the project, a new train maintenance centre, the Mindyarra Maintenance Centre, is being built in Dubbo to stimulate the regional economy and help create sustainable job opportunities and skills, both directly and through subcontractors and supply chain.

Opportunities exist for businesses to tender for work with consortium partners and their subcontractors to deliver the new maintenance centre and support ongoing maintenance activities.

As part of the Jobs, Skills and Industry Participation (JSIP) program within the project, JSIP aims to develop the skills of local small to medium enterprises (SMEs), helping them tender more successfully for this and future projects.

Developing the skills base in Regional NSW is key to achieving JSIP priorities, with employment pathways including roles for apprentices, trainees, graduate placements and work experience opportunities.

Why is JSIP important?

JSIP will provide opportunities for long term employment as well as skills development within the Central West. The development of transferable skills from one project phase to another, and onto other projects in the region, aims to support long term prospects to regionally based people. This includes Aboriginal participation, women in non-traditional trades and young people under 25 years of age.

JSIP has identified 3 key priority areas and objectives:

1. Regional jobs – valuing diversity
2. Developing the skills base in Regional NSW
3. Opportunities for Regional NSW businesses.

How many jobs are being created?

The Regional Rail Project will require around 200 jobs during the construction phase, around 50 jobs during train completion work, and around 50 permanent jobs during ongoing operations, including a number of apprenticeships and traineeships.

What support is available for small businesses to work on the Project?

The Regional Rail Project also focuses on building the capability of regional small to medium enterprises with initiatives including:

- A Business Support Catalogue to help businesses in and around the Central West and Orana region to further develop their skills and capabilities. The Business Support Catalogue provides information on programs, grants and general support for businesses, such as accessing funding to expand their operations, or developing their employees' skills. The Catalogue is a 'one stop shop' for businesses looking to explore support options available in the region and includes contact detail.
- In 2019, Transport for NSW in partnership with Momentum Trains ran Tender Writing Workshops for regional businesses to help improve their competitiveness in procurement opportunities. Eight local businesses have since won work on the project. Transport for NSW and Momentum Trains are considering further workshops in 2021, to support maintenance phase procurement activities. To express your interest in these workshops, please email JSIP@transport.nsw.gov.au

How do I get a job on the project?

There are different opportunities across the three phases of the Project. For all enquiries related to opportunities for businesses, suppliers, employment and training, visit Our Jobs, Skills and Industry Participation team at the JSIP Hub in Dubbo, www.momentumtrains.com.au or email project@momentumtrains.com.au.

Our JSIP Hub and project office is located at **64 Wingewarra Street, Dubbo** and is available during business hours to the community for project enquiries.

Please email us at project@momentumtrains.com.au to make an appointment between **9am** and **5pm**, Monday to Friday.

What is the Pre-Employment Program?

JSIP is delivering a Pre-employment Program to provide accredited technical and employability skills training and more to local people, and provide an employment pathway for people interested in working in the infrastructure industry. The program has been developed in line with employer vacancies, which will be made available to Pre-employment program graduates that successfully complete the program and meet workplace requirements.

Is employment diversity a part of the project?

The key priority area of Regional jobs – valuing diversity includes the following objectives:

1. Providing sustainable regional jobs;
2. increasing Aboriginal participation
3. providing opportunities for young people

Aboriginal employment is a key focus area for the project, through employment, apprenticeships and other opportunities. This will be achieved through support programs.

What SKILLS should I be developing to get a job related to the Project?

For more information, please visit www.momentumtrains.com.au/employment-and-training/

I heard that there will be 50 jobs at the Maintenance Centre when it is finished, is this true?

The Regional Rail Project is expected to generate around 200 jobs during the peak construction phase of the train maintenance centre in Dubbo.

Approximately 50 ongoing, Dubbo-based roles are expected to be generated for the maintenance of the fleet at the new Dubbo Maintenance Centre.

I don't have any experience; how do I get a job on the Project?

There are different opportunities across the three phases of the project. Register with your Job Active at www.jobsearch.gov.au, or alternatively email project@momentumtrains.com.au for further information. OR visit the JSIP Hub

I am a business (goods or services) provider - how do I get started on the project?

Businesses and suppliers interested in procurement opportunities available on the Regional Rail Fleet Project, please visit ICN Gateway to [view project-related work packages or to submit an expression of interest](#).

<https://gateway.icn.org.au/project/4459/regional-rail-fleet-project>

Or access these links for each of the project partners:

- CAF - https://regionalrailproject_caf.icn.org.au
- CPB - https://regionalrailproject_cpb.icn.org.au
- UGL - https://regionalrailproject_uql.icn.org.au

For all enquiries related to opportunities for businesses, suppliers, employment and training visit www.momentumtrains.com.au or email project@momentumtrains.com.au with your contact details and your enquiry. The relevant person from the team will be in touch.

Alternatively, you can call or email the Regional Rail project team at Transport for NSW on **1800 684 490** or projects@transport.nsw.gov.au who can appropriately redirect your enquiry.

The Project website says there are apprenticeship opportunities, how do I find more information about these opportunities?

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The Momentum Trains Jobs, Skills and Industry Participation team is available to discuss employment opportunities and skills development with job seekers. Our project office is located at **64 Wingewarra Street, Dubbo**. Please email us at project@momentumtrains.com.au to make an appointment between **9am** and **5pm, Monday to Friday**.

For more information please visit the [JSIP website](#) for further information and updates, or email JSIP@transport.nsw.gov.au



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