

INTERNAL INCIDENT ALERT

For all 'Moderate' and 'Serious' Incidents

DETAILS OF INCIDENT		
Date:	22/02/2017	
Time:	1640hrs	
Location:	Rosemount Road – Ulan Line (Worksite N28)	
Rating:	☐ Moderate ⊠ Serious	
Classification: (e.g. WHS, RCI, etc.)	☐ WHS ⊠RCI ☐ Other	
	If RCI, what is the TCR:(awaiting No.)_/20	
Is the incident reportable to Comcare:	⊠No	∐Yes,
		If yes, when was it reported

DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT (who, what, how, when)

At approx. 1640hrs a weld crew using a rail saw was cutting rail in preparation for the installation of a free weld at 325.900km. Sparks from the rail saw ignited dry grass on both the up and down side of the track.

A 12 litre knapsack was used by the welding crew; however this was unable to extinguish the grass fire. There was no water cart available at the immediate work location at this time. Fire was not able to be contained within the rail corridor. It crossed Rosemount Rd and entered an adjoining property.

Both Police and RFS were contacted and rendered assistance. 2 x air planes, 1 x helicopter and 6 x fire trucks arrived at the scene to contain the fire.

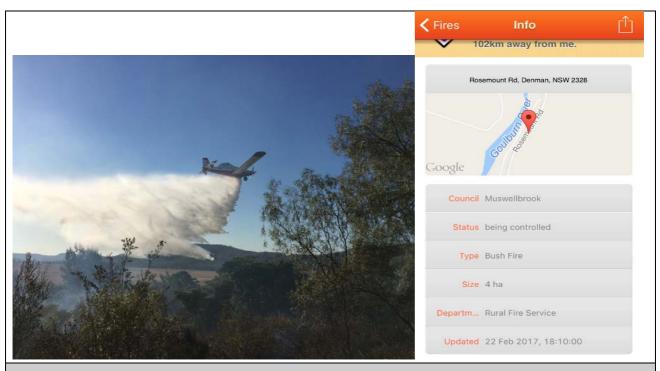
RFS gained control of the fire at approximately 1900hrs.

Refer below site photographs and extract of RFS "fire watch" alert.





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DETAILS OF INJURY/ILLNESS/IMPACT/DAMAGE (include photographs and, if possible, an estimate for when the track can be released)

No injury to personnel or rail infrastructure.

No injury to public.

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IMMEDIATE ACTIONS/CONTROLS TAKEN FOLLOWING INCIDENT TO PREVENT A REPEAT INCIDENT UNTIL INVESTIGATION IS COMPLETE

- 1. All activities on site stopped.
- 2. Contractor welding crew and leadership team assisting with investigation.
- 3. Assistance implemented to return contracting personnel to accommodation.
- 4. Toolbox of incident with all personnel arriving for night shift, including detailed review of SWMS, procedures and ONE TEAM expectations.
- 5. All night shift works cancelled.
- Additional contractor leadership resources scheduled to arrive on site at 0600hrs 23.02.17 to facilitate re-commencement of works.
- 7. Additional ARTC resources redirected to worksite for 0600hrs 23.02.17 restart. Increased ARTC presence on site to remain until completion of work scope.
- 8. Additional labour and welding resources arranged to minimise impact on possession hand back time.
- 9. Non-critical tasks removed from works program.

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Shared Learnings	This incident is a serious demonstration of what can occur when risk mitigation controls are planned, but not consistently implemented correctly. This applies to all

It also reinforces the need for our leaders to live our ONE TEAM expectations. To

planned controls - and not just controls for hot work activities.



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