

Railway Level Crossings on private land holdings

ATTENTION:

Private land holders whose private property has a railway level crossing that forms part of the Country Regional Network (**CRN**).

INTRODUCTION:

UGL Regional Linx (**UGLRL**) is the new operator and maintainer of the CRN having taken over from the previous Service Provider, John Holland.

As you would be aware, the CRN is the railway that interfaces with your private property and a private level crossing(s) enables you to access your property (or access between parts of your property). [The level crossing is the point at which your road and the CRN meet at substantially the same grade.]

YOUR RAIL SAFETY OBLIGATIONS:

Level crossings present a serious risk to the safety of road users if not properly managed and we remind you that you have safety duties as a “road manager” under the Rail Safety National Law.

To manage the risks associated with private road and rail interfaces, UGLRL will soon develop a new safety interface management procedure for all private level crossings that will detail how we need to jointly identify and manage the risks at private level crossings. This will apply to all private level crossing landowners across the CRN.

In the interim, if you were provided with any interface agreements, safety management plans and/or other arrangements to manage rail safety risks in respect of your property from our predecessor, John Holland, please be advised those terms and conditions still apply.

Otherwise, and in addition to the above, please be reminded of the following requirements which apply to you and any person authorised by you to use the level crossing:

- 1 you must comply with all laws which affect or relate to the level crossing (including the Rail Safety National Law);
- 2 you must comply with any signage at the level crossing(s);
- 3 you must not interfere with the operation or use of the CRN;
- 4 you must promptly notify UGLRL where any part of the level crossing is wholly or partly damaged or destroyed.
- 5 you must report all threats (i.e., fire, flood, vehicle etc) to 000 immediately; and
- 6 you must maintain and repair any privately owned assets or infrastructure and the environmental generally surrounding the rail corridor (for example boundary fencing).

ACCESS TO THE RAIL CORRIDOR:

The CRN rail corridor is private property and unauthorised entry to the rail corridor constitutes a trespass and contravention of rail safety and work health and safety laws. Unauthorised entry into a rail environment, whether operational or non-operational, can lead to serious injury or death, and result in civil liability or criminal prosecution. As has always been the case, all neighbouring occupiers must remain within their boundary fences (whether or not a fence has been installed), and entry into the rail corridor to install, use or remove any thing is strictly prohibited.

If you require access to the rail corridor for any reason, you must adhere to our 'Accessing the CRN' procedure available at the following address: <https://www.uglregionallinx.com.au/en/ugl-regional-linx-operations/network-access>.

PLEASE GET IN TOUCH!

Please contact UGLRL so we can assist you in managing your rail safety obligations as a road manager.

Please call the Interface Manager, Natalie Terrazzino on 0418 306 130 or email natalie.terrazzino@uglregionallinx.com.au if you are a private land holder with a railway level crossing.

CONTACT DETAILS:

Private Level Crossings (or this notice):

Interface Manager - Natalie Terrazzino
0418 306 130 or email natalie.terrazzino@uglregionallinx.com.au

Accessing the Country Regional Network:

Including any access to or conducting of activities on the CRN
propertyenquiries@uglregionallinx.com.au

Property Team:

Including new property leases and licences
propertyenquiries@uglregionallinx.com.au

Stakeholder and Communications Team:

All other public enquiries or complaints
1300 661 390 or email: enquiry@uglregionallinx.com.au.