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Safety of people at work on or near the line

Revised Standard 019: Anglia trial confirmed

Dear colleagues,

Over the past months Network Rail has been working with stakeholders across the industry, including RMT, TSSA and Unite in order to develop a revised standard to improve safety of people working on or near the line. The revised 019 standard is now available for preview and will be introduced later this year. Details of the standard and supporting materials can be seen on Safety Central, via the Planning and Delivering Safe Work page.

In order to ensure the smooth introduction of the revised standard, a trial will be conducted on the London Fenchurch Street to Shoeburyness line and associated lines – part of the Anglia Route.

The objective of the trial is to understand the resource implications on the existing workforce to successfully and compliantly implement the revised standard.

The trial is being designed, developed and delivered by a cross industry team which includes representatives from TSSA and RMT and will allow us to work together to collaboratively respond to concerns of the trades unions regarding the impact on the workforce of the revised standard. A third party organisation is also supporting the trial and the development of a model to capture the resource requirements of working to the revised standard in order to give us confidence that the revised standard can be successfully implemented and worked to compliantly.

We will be communicating updates and sharing the outputs from the trial in the coming weeks and months. In the meantime, you can expect to start to see communications across the business giving you more information about the revised standard.

If you have any questions, please contact 019feedback@networkrail.co.uk

Thank you for your continued support,

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