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WORKS PACKAGE GETS UNDERWAY ON HUNTER VALLEY RAIL CORRIDOR

Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC) is rolling out another large package of upgrades in a single possession on the Hunter Valley rail corridor over the coming days.

The important package of upgrades will take place from for the 12th to the 14th June and will allow for important upgrades to take place.

Approximately 30 individual projects will be carried out during the closedown.

ARTC CEO, David Marchant, explained that this possession was part of ARTC's strategy to further develop capacity on the Hunter Valley Coal lines.

"These possessions complement the major projects being undertaken on the Hunter Valley rail corridor such as the Minimbah Bank Third Track which was opened earlier this month."

"This possession will allow ARTC to implement valuable upgrades and make preparations for major capital works that are planned for the future as part of the ongoing development of the Hunter Valley Rail Corridor," Mr Marchant said.

"Overall, these projects and maintenance are part of ARTC's drive to keep capacity on the Hunter Valley rail corridor ahead of market demand."

Examples of the works being undertaken include:

- Standard rail and turnout resurfacing;
- Rail grinding;
- Tamping;
- Removing weld defects.

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