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BRITISH RAILWAYS (WESTERN REGION)

SINGLING OF THE LINE - ABERBEEG TO WAUNLLWYD NORTH.

Between the hours of 0800 Wednesday, 22 July and 1600 Friday, 31 July or until completion, the Divisional Civil Engineer and Chief Signal and Telecommunication Engineer will be engaged in introducing a single line between Aberbeeg and Waunllwyd North, together with certain consequent alterations at Aberbeeg and Waunllwyd North as detailed on the attached diagram.

DETAILS OF WORK:-

1. At Waunllwyd North - Wednesday, 22 July to Friday 24 July or Until Completion.

A new connection will be provided between the BSC Inlet and Outlet sidings, and the two headshunt sidings (parallel to the through line to Duffryn Sidings) will be taken out of use. The through line to Duffryn Sidings will be terminated at a new stop block at 18m 60ch.

2. Between Aberbeeg and Waunllwyd North - Monday, 27 July, Commencing at 0900.

The existing double line will be reduced to single, as detailed in Section 6 of this notice, worked under the "No Signalman" token system, (Table D4, Sectional Appendix) although until the necessary token instruments can be installed will be SUSPENDED, with working by pilotman. All signals between Aberbeeg and Waumllwyd North will be taken out of use, with the exception of Aberbeeg signals 9 and 10. The existing stop board at Waumllwyd North, applicable to Up trains, will be retained, and will signify the start and finish respectively of the single line section. Other signals in the Aberbeeg area will be disconnected as necessary, and handsignalmen will be provided.

3. Between Aberbeeg and Waunllwyd North - Monday, 27 July to Friday, 31 July or Until Completion.

At Waunllwyd Sidings, the siding adjacent to the present Up line will be taken out of use.

Waunllwyd South Ground Frame will be taken out of use together with the associated telephone. The facing connection in the present Up line giving access to Waunllwyd Sidings will be spiked and clipped for through running. The crossover between the present Up and Down lines will be spiked and clipped in the reverse position, and will become part of the new single line.

At Cwm North Ground Frame, the crossover between the present Up and Down lines will be spiked and clipped for through running.

At Graig Eawr North Ground Frame, a new connection will be provided in the single line, giving access to the Colliery Sidings.

Graig Fawr South Ground Frame will be taken out of use together with the associated telephone, and the crossover spiked and clipped for through running.

Between Aberbeeg and Waunllwyd North, all existingcatchpoints in the present Up Line will be spiked and clipped out of use.

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4. At Aberbeeg, and between Llanhilleth and Aberbeeg - Thursday 30 July and Friday 31 July or until completion.

The up loop between Llanhilleth and Aberbeeg will be taken out of use, and the connections clipped and spiked for through running. The associated signals will also be taken out of use.

At Aberbeeg between 14m Och and 14m 20ch, the present up main will be slewed into the down main, and the down main will be slewed into the present down loop (see diagram attached). The present down siding, together with the remaining portion of the present down loop, will become a new down loop. The crossover connection between the present down siding and loop will be clipped and spiked in the reverse position, and become part of the new down loop.

At Aberbeeg, the up Rose Heyworth line will be taken out of use, and the down line will become the single line. The route from the down Rose Heyworth line to the present down loop will be taken out of use, but the connections at each end will be retained as catch / trap points. The connection in the new up line, formerly the crossover between the previous up and down lines, will be spiked and clipped for through running.

Signals will be disconnected as necessary and handsignalmen provided.

5. Speed restrictions

Temporary speed restrictions will be imposed as shown in Section A of the relevant Weekly Operating Notice. For completeness, details are also shown below:-

- a) From 0600 Tuesday 28 July to 0800 Monday 10 August, a speed restriction of 20 mph will apply to the new single line between Waunllwyd North (18m 35ch) and Aberbeeg (14m 65ch).
 - b) From 0800 Thursday 30 July to 0800 Monday 3 August, a speed restriction of 20 mph will apply to the down and up main lines between Aberbeeg Jn and Llanhilleth, 14m 20ch and 14m Och.

6. Staging of work between Aberbeeg and Waunllwyd North

The necessary alterations will be carried out in stages, with the new single line only available for traffic as follows:-

- a) Between 1800 Monday 27 July and 0600 Tuesday 28 July, the former up line will be used throughout.
- b) Between 1800 Wednesday 29 July and 0600 Thursday 30 July, the former up line will be used between Aberbeeg and the site of slewing at approximately 17mp, thence the former down line will be used to Waunllwyd South, and the former up line thence to Waunllwyd North.
- c) Commencing 1600 Friday 31 July, the single line will be as shown on the attached diagram.

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