

AUSTRALIAN FEDERATED UNION OF LOCOMOTIVE EMPLOYEES



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Townsville & Bundaberg Consultation Update

Dear Traincrew,

Your local depot rep and state organiser met with Queensland Rail management yesterday in Brisbane to discuss the proposed changes to Townsville and Bundaberg workings.

A change is necessary for the Townsville depot to ensure they meet the fatigue legislation and have a mandatory minimum of 8 hours rest at a foreign location.

We have continued to reject the company proposal of wide scale depot working changes, including introducing Townsville drivers laying over at Rockhampton.

We believe there is an easy fix, simply alter the timetable by 45-90 minutes earlier departing from Cairns, enabling Townsville drivers to have the mandatory rest at Mackay.

This process is on-going and QR have endeavoured to speak to the relevant managers involved in tourist trains, marketing, pathing and timetables before once again engaging your state office and local reps.

We will keep you informed as more news comes to hand.

If you have any questions, please contact our office on 07 3844 9163, email statesecretary@afule.org.au or find us on Facebook.

Yours fraternally



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