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Esperance Port Authority



OPERATING PROTOCOL

RAIL OPERATIONS TO AND FROM THE PORT OF ESPERANCE

It is recognized that the rail operations to and from Esperance railyard and the Port of Esperance need to be undertaken so as to minimize the impact on the surrounding residential areas and to assist the Port Authority to meet its environmental noise requirements.

This will require Australian Western Railroads employees to operate the trains in accordance with the following protocol.

- Locomotive drivers will use the train horns at rail crossings in accordance with rail safety requirements while at the same time being conscious of the need to minimize the impact on residential areas.
- Locomotive will not be parked up at the entrance to the Port.
- Any train shunting activities carried out within the Port area will be done so as to as far as possible minimize noise impact on adjoining residential areas.
- Trains departing the Port will use only as much power as necessary so as to minimize the impact on adjoining residential areas.

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Robert Easthope
Australian Western Railroads

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Colin Stewart
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Esperance Port Authority

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