

RAIL ISSUES



Level Crossings Working Group

April 2007

some statistics

- 1,400 public road/rail crossings
- 1,500 private crossings of rail

- 20 injury/fatal crossing crashes p/a
- 24 trespass injury/fatal incidents p/a

Focus today on public road/rail crossings

Australian **L**evel **C**rossing **A**ssessment **M**odel

- LTNZ/ONTRACK have funding for national survey of public level crossings
- ALCAM now being applied in NZ
- Consistent standards throughout country
- ONTRACK & LTNZ have officers trained in ALCAM methodology
(Wayne Osmer LTNZ, Roy Robinson ONTRACK)

ALCAM surveys

- ALCAM surveys have started in Auckland
- 3 years to cover Country
- Surveys managed by ONTRACK
- Survey team
 - Two from ONTRACK/LTNZ partnership
 - Liaison person(s) from relevant RCA
- Survey 2 – 4 crossings per day
- RCA meets own costs of any involvement

ALCAM outputs

- Recommendations promptly available
 - minor needs easily implemented
 - significant needs may require more time/analysis
- Discuss funding requirements with LTNZ under WC 131 - Level Crossing Warning Devices
- ONTRACK in partnership with LTNZ will manage the national data base

other issues

- Rail safety week – 23-29 July 2007
- Short stacking distances – offer guidance on alternative routes
- Standard TMP requirements for working at railway level crossings to be applied uniformly throughout the country
- Renewed MOTSAM – include part on working in vicinity of rail in progress
- Any issues of a policy nature – bring to this group
- My contact is:
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