Inland Rail has been divided into 13 projects to deliver the 1,700km rail line by 2025. The Parkes to Narromine (P2N) project will use existing rail lines and is one of seven projects in NSW.
 WHAT ARE WE DOING?
The upgrades to the existing rail corridor and track between Parkes and Narromine include:

- replacing existing sleepers, rail and ballast with new ballast, concrete sleepers and rail
- re-aligning the track to reduce tight curves
- raising the level of the rail formation (the supportive foundations of the track)
- replacing and upgrading existing culverts
- renewing and upgrading existing level crossings.

We will also construct three crossing loops (areas where trains can pass each other), and work on level crossings, signalling and communications, signage, fencing, and services and utilities adjustments within the corridor.

 WHERE ARE WE NOW?
Early work for construction, such as deliveries, surveying and site inspections, began on P2N in November 2018.

Construction fully commenced in February 2019 and since then INLink, a joint venture between BMD Group and Fulton Hogan, have been busy constructing Inland Rail between Parkes and Narromine. Key activities include earthworks, installing drainage structures (culverts), upgrading level crossings, removing existing rail and laying new rail.

In late August 2019, the 5.3km section of new rail on P2N called the North West Connection was handed over to ARTC Operations, ready for trains to begin using the line.

The North West Connection joins Inland Rail to the existing Broken Hill track, part of the transcontinental railway between Sydney and Perth.

 NEXT STEPS
We will keep impacted residents and businesses up to date about upcoming works in their area.

Information about our work, traffic changes and road closures will be available on our website inlandrail.com.au/p2n

We expect the work on Inland Rail between Parkes and Narromine to be completed by mid-2020.

 NEIGHBOURING PROJECTS
P2N connects to the Stockinbingal to Parkes (S2P) project in the south and Narromine to Narrabri (N2N) in the north. These projects are different in type and timing to P2N.

S2P will focus on upgrading existing structures such as bridges and underpasses, while N2N will establish a new rail corridor and tracks.

 WANT TO KNOW MORE?
ARTC is committed to working with landowners, communities, state and local governments as a vital part of our planning and consultation work, and we value your input. If you have any questions or comments about this fact sheet, please let us know.

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