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Thank you for your responses regarding the proposed changes to 1.15 and Appendix J. Across all regions, we have read through the feedback and discussions have taken place around how to proceed.

The stance of Network Rail is as follows:

- Regionally, Level Crossing restrictions will remain as offered in V3. Work has taken place to ensure only crossings with established risks identified through risk assessments have been included. Network Rail were tasked with improving clarity and documentation of level crossing risk through the ADC process and the ORR, and the TPRs are the chosen way to govern this.

- Through discussions with route and region teams, Capacity Planning are reviewing the values of all other general constraints (those documented as trains per hour limits) within V3. Any constraint which cannot be quantified and evidenced will be removed for V4.

- The process outlined in 1.15 has been amended based on the feedback to provide more clarity around the inception of constraints. This will be included, as communicated, in V4.

- Appendix J states that the principles are included as guidance and, as such, will not be binding. Wording updates have been made to reduce any possible duplication and direct individuals to relevant parts of the document. Discussions are ongoing around potential alternate options for communicating the rules, including a dedicated part of the NR website (as done with the DCS IM Plan), but this will not be changed before V4.

We will review the additional Appendix J clauses based on your feedback below and make some changes ahead of V4 publication.

Thanks,

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