

Safety Alert

A serious incident has taken place



Serious staff injury following collision in a worksite

Scope: All Network Rail line managers, safety professionals and RISQS registered contractors

Ref: Alert 18/01

Date: 21/09/2018

Location: Calveley, between Crewe and Chester

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Overview

In the early hours of 19 September 2018, a Super Boss Ballast Regulator collided while traversing at speed, with the rear of a Kubota personnel trolley and caused the derailment of the latter.

The two rearmost Network Rail employees being transported were injured. One employee suffered a shoulder injury, his colleague suffered serious injuries to both legs and had to be stabilised on site before being taken to a specialised trauma centre, where he underwent surgery.

He is currently in hospital and is recovering from these injuries.

All staff working in worksites with **plant** movements must be briefed that:

- **All plant movements** within worksites must be undertaken at 5mph or less.
- Where visibility may be an problem, the machine Controller must be on the ground supervising the move and the exclusion zone.
- All staff must be clear about how plant movements are to be physically separated so as to prevent the possibility of collision.