

we're in the wheatbelt



Arc Infrastructure is a major contributor to the growth of Western Australia's economy and we support the community by employing, living and buying local.

our commitment to the wheatbelt

We connect WA people and products to the rest of the country and the world. Safely connecting and contributing to Western Australian communities is what we do, and we're in it for the long haul.

Our Northam, Merredin and Narrogin teams are central to this commitment. They are responsible for the upgrade and maintenance of the busy Eastern Goldfields Railway (EGR) and a large section of the Grain Freight Rail Network including numerous level crossings, signals and communications equipment. In addition, our team of network controllers at the Avon Control Centre work 24/7 to ensure the safe and efficient operation of trains in the region.

Covering over 2,500 kilometres, the work of the Wheatbelt team allows containerised freight and

commodities to be transported from the Eastern States and plays a vital role in delivering WA grain to the world.

Our ongoing investment into the optimisation of the EGR and the grain network ensures we continue to provide the critical infrastructure required to connect WA with national and global markets. Since Arc Infrastructure was awarded the long-term lease of the railway in 2000, we've invested over \$470 million into our infrastructure throughout the Wheatbelt region.

Our commitment to the Wheatbelt extends far beyond investment into our infrastructure. We contribute to the economic growth and development of the region by employing local people, engaging with industry, buying from local business, working in partnership with our customers, supporting community initiatives and protecting the environment.

We make a real difference by partnering with community organisations to achieve meaningful outcomes. On average, Arc Infrastructure makes a direct contribution of more than half a million dollars to regional WA each year in the form of community partnerships, cash and in-kind donations and volunteering hours.

we understand the needs of industry are constantly changing, and we're quick to respond by improving the rail network to support new projects and economic growth.



we partner
local

Arc Infrastructure has been a team sponsor of the Hawaiian Ride for Youth since 2015, with our teams riding the Wheatbelt and Midwest routes.

The Ride is an annual five day bike ride covering over 700 kilometres from Albany and Geraldton to Perth to fundraise for not-for-profit organisation Youth Focus, which provides free and ongoing

mental health services to young people across Western Australia.

With many of our own employees living and working in regional Western Australia, we understand how important the provision of mental health services can be, especially for those who are most vulnerable. In 2017 our teams raised just under \$110,000 for Youth Focus.



In 2017 our sponsored teams rode through the Midwest and Wheatbelt regions, visiting local schools along the way to discuss the importance of mental health and promote the services that Youth Focus provides.

in 2018 Arc Infrastructure will be entering two employee teams, and our riders hope to raise even more for the cause.



some of our
contractors and
suppliers have been
working with us for
over 25 years.

we employ
local

Arc Infrastructure is committed to employing people from the communities we operate in, providing jobs and career paths in the transport industry.

To support our network operation, we have 430 employees, of which 42% work and live across regional towns. By employing local people across the length and breadth of our network, we’re doing our bit to ensure regional communities continue to thrive.

Our roles based in the Wheatbelt include everything from administrative roles in our local depots, to track maintainers, signal technicians, asset planners, engineers and network controllers.

As a Registered Training Organisation (RTO 52051) we offer in-house specialist training programs for employees working on track, meaning previous experience is not essential.

We value our people and the diverse skills each team member has to contribute. We’re a fierce advocate for diversity and have made bold and deliberate changes over the last five years to increase female participation in our workforce and reduce our gender pay gap.

This has been recognised by industry, with Arc Infrastructure winning Engineers Australia’s *Most Ambitious Company in Gender Diversity award* and the Australian Rail Industry *Workforce Diversity award*.

“I’ve been working in rail for over 20 years. I enjoy living and working in the Wheatbelt because it is a good environment to be in and we have a great team, and my role gives me the opportunity to apply my skills and knowledge to continually improve our area and the way we do things.”

Rod
Maintenance Delivery Team, Wheatbelt

fast facts



infrastructure

2539km of track and infrastructure including numerous level crossings, signals and communications equipment, as well as our Avon Network Control Centre



workforce

56 employees



products

Grain, iron ore, intrastate and interstate freight, passengers



customers

CBH Group, Pacific National, Mineral Resources, SCT Logistics, TransWA, Minara Resources, Cliffs NR, Indian Pacific, Aurizon

we buy
local

Wherever possible, Arc Infrastructure endeavours to source products and services from local suppliers.

We know that by buying local we are not only supporting local businesses, but also the growth and development of the communities they operate within.

Some of our contractors and suppliers have been working with us for decades, and their ongoing support is invaluable to the day to day operation of our network.

we collaborate
with industry

Arc Infrastructure leads policy and discussion around more than just WA’s rail freight network.

We are members of international and national associations including the Australasian Railway Association, Australian Logistics Council and the Rail Industry Safety and Standards Board.

We’re active members of the Regional Chambers of Commerce and Industry (WA), including the Narrogin, Northam, Merredin and Moora Chambers of Commerce.

We actively contribute to groups that share our vision of connecting the Wheatbelt to other WA communities and to the rest of the world, including the Committee for Economic Development Australia, Chamber of Minerals & Energy and the Regional Development Commissions.

who are we?

Arc Infrastructure manages transport infrastructure in Western Australia.

We currently operate Western Australia's 5,500km freight rail network, connecting people, commodities and ports across the State with the rest of Australia and the world.

Spread across regional Western Australia, our team of 430 employees keeps the rail network operating 24/7.

We live local, buy local and are committed to contributing to regional communities.

While rail remains at the heart of the Arc Infrastructure business, we are ready to do more.

We're committed to working with industry, our customers, partners and communities to find new opportunities that will support and strengthen our rail network for the benefit of WA.



we live local, buy local
and are committed to
actively participating in
the local communities
where we operate.

our local footprint

