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Stirrat Consultation Update II

Dear members,

Today the AFULE had a meeting with Anna Parfitt and Danielle Asycough to discuss the Callemondah/ Stirrat consultation. There was a lot of confusion from members as to what was really being consulted. Was this a new depot? Or a Callemondah multi sign on point?

Firstly, I want to reissue to members that the consultation period has been extended through until COB Wednesday 28 April and the EOI period being extended through until COB Friday 30 April 2021.

The below came about as a result of today's meeting:

- The consultation is for a Callemondah multi sign on location at Stirrat (not a new Standalone depot)
- This is on a voluntary basis. If the company does not receive enough EOI's to establish the Stirrat multi sign on location, no employees will be forced from the Callemondah depot to sign on at Stirrat.
- The company is using the EOI process to gauge employee interest before investing in the additional work and capital required to commence a new sign on location. If the company decides to proceed with the new sign on point, those that have expressed an EOI before 30 April will then be formally asked to commit and agree to working out of Stirrat. If there are not a sufficient Traincrew that agree, the company may re-issue a notice calling for additional volunteers.
- Once the decision is made and Traincrew are formally asked to agree to the multi sign on point, Traincrew will only be afforded a return full time to Callemondah when agreed to by the company.
- The company FAQ document will be retracted and re-released to ensure that messaging and terminology is consistent.
- There is no guarantee from the company that Stirrat will maintain an 11-hour shift length or additional RDO's. It was made clear today that the company will constantly review their crewing model and adjust shift lengths accordingly.

I ask members to keep an eye out for the updated FAQ document that should be released today. Consultation is open through until mod next week. If you have any additional questions, please email those to your supervisor and the AFULE at statesecretary@afule.org.au

I will keep you updated as more information comes to hand.

In Solidarity,

Mick McKitrick,
State Secretary