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Railway workers across the country will take further strike action on the 15 and 17 September in a fight over jobs, pay and working conditions.

Over 40,000 RMT members from Network Rail and 14 train operating companies will take to picket lines, effectively shutting down the railway network.



In separate disputes, Hull Trains and Arriva Rail London will also be taking one day of strike action on 15 September.

Negotiations have been ongoing but there has been no breakthrough or new offers from either Network Rail or the train operating companies in the dispute. RMT general secretary Mick Lynch said members had "no choice" but to continue strike action.

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Passengers are being warned of 'severe delays' after a burst water main flooded railway tracks at Audenshaw in Manchester yesterday.

A report from ITV said services have been cancelled in both directions between Manchester Piccadilly, Rose Hill and Hadfield, including Stalybridge and Leeds via Guide Bridge.

Services were stopped due to the amount of water leaking onto the railway near Fairfield station at around 2:00am on Thursday 1 September.

Rail replacement buses have been running between Guide Bridge and Manchester Piccadilly in both directions and also between Romiley and Guide Bridge.

HS2 Ltd says a record number of unemployed people have secured jobs on the project, with more than 2,220 joining to help build the new railway.

In the last three months, 267 people who were out of work have transitioned into employment with HS2's construction partners and companies in the wider supply chain.

The project is also currently recruiting for over 350 roles at various locations between London, Buckinghamshire, Milton Keynes and Birmingham.

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Finally, Network Rail has released spectacular drone footage showing high level cliffside resilience works taking place between Lydney and Gloucester.

The footage shows engineers working on the £25m project to stabilise a landslip prone cliff above the railway alongside to the Severn Estuary.

Extreme weather saw the railway devastated by five major landslips between 2020-2021.

More than 15,000 tonnes of material were removed by excavator during the works, before rope teams moved onto the slope to install 27,000m of erosion control matting.

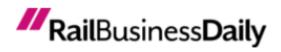


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