

WMSC Inspection Report 20250411C

ISSUED 4/14/2025

Inspection Details

Title: Track and Structures (TRST) Turnout Inspection

Location: Rosslyn Station (C05) and Pentagon Station (C07)

Date of Inspection: 4/11/2025

Time of Inspection: 7:30am to 12:30pm

Unannounced

Non-Risk-Based

Functional Area: Track

Hazard Rating: 3B

Overview

On April 11, 2025, two WMSC Inspectors travelled to Rosslyn Station (C05) and Pentagon Station (C07) to perform Track Turnout Inspections. Specifically, Inspectors observed WMATA Track Inspections of Rosslyn Station (C05) Junction (track 2, just south of the platform) and Pentagon Station (C07) Junction (track 1, just north of the station).

WMSC Inspectors observed and confirmed WMATA Track and Structures (TRST) inspectors performed appropriate inspections of the Junctions, and through those inspections, identified maintenance issues. Because they are not urgent, the maintenance needs are not identified as defects. Records of these inspections, along with all inspections information, are recorded by the WMATA track inspectors directly into WMATA's MaxTrax (TM) database.

The WMSC Inspectors report that the track crew properly followed the RWP rules with an Advance Mobile Flagger (AMF) on the platform, the Roadway-Worker-in-Charge (RWIC) acting as watchman, and workers properly clearing of the track dynamic envelope in time for trains to pass. However, WSMC Inspectors noted a few instances of improper Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), specifically, several of the WMATA track inspectors were not wearing eye protection.

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After concluding the inspection, the WMSC inspectors conducted a debrief at Pentagon Station (C07) with the WMATA Track Inspector (who was Acting as Roadway-Worker-In-Charge), in accordance with Program Standard Section 6.F.1.

Defects and Corrective Actions

WMSC Inspections identify safety issues that may be classified as defects, findings, or recommendations. Findings and recommendations are defined by Program Standard Section 5.E.2 and 5.E.3 respectively. Ordinarily, issues identified in a WMSC inspection report are classified as defects. Defects are specific safety issues of non-conformance/non-compliance that are identified and that require remedial action.

This inspection did not identify any findings or recommendations and therefore does not require a WMSC Corrective Action Plan in accordance with Program Standard Section 5.E.4.

Defect Observations and Determinations

Defect 1

Improper use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). The WMSC Inspectors identified that several of the track inspectors were not wearing proper eye protection while in the track area.

During the inspection debrief, the WMSC Inspectors identified this failure to wear the proper PPE to the WMATA RWIC.

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Next Steps

Please respond by **Thursday, April 17, 2025,** to acknowledge receipt and to convey responses to the WMSC regarding what, if any, actions will be or have been taken in response.