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Dear stakeholder,

I am writing to you to invite you to a special briefing session which has been set up for key stakeholders within Moray and Highland areas to provide updated information about the programme of upgrade works planned for the Aberdeen-Inverness line. 2017 will see enhancements delivered through the West end of the route, at Elgin, Forres and Nairn.

The proposed meeting will take place at:

**The BAM Nuttall site office, Waterford Circle, Forres, IV36 3EF**

**Date and time: 11am, Friday 10th March**.

A light lunch will be available towards the end of the meeting and all attendees will have an opportunity to have a view some of the site work ongoing at Forres.

The meeting will enable you to hear first-hand how the upgrade works will be implemented from the Network Rail project team and our contractor BAM Nuttall. Detailed drawings and site plans will be available to examine and we will discuss with you the temporary rail and road closures to enable the works to take place. A full schedule of train disruptions will also be available to you.

There will be opportunities throughout the meeting to ask questions about individual aspects of the project, or about the project as a whole.

As you will know, the Scottish Government-funded enhancement will transform journeys on the route, with enhanced passenger services, a more reliable and frequent service and station improvements. The project will deliver clear benefits to passengers and freight users, as well as support jobs and growth, providing an economic boost to the cities and communities along the entire length of the route.

I hope that you will find time in your diary to attend this meeting. Please RSVP to a2i@grayling.com Please note that if you are able to attend we will need a jacket size (please specify medium, large or XL and a boot size) for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) requirements for the site walk about. PPE will be provided on the day. Should you have any immediate questions, please do not hesitate to call me on 07739 778485.

Yours sincerely,

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