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## Level crossing accident involving a freight train and a timber lorry in Hökmora

On 12 July 2019, the Swedish Accident Investigation Authority (SHK) submitted its assessment of the responses given by the Swedish Transport Administration to the recommendations provided to the agency. Due to this assessment, we would like to submit a number of supplementations and clarifications.

## Recommendation RJ 2018:01 R1

The Swedish Transport Administration was recommended to chart locations on category 5 roads where several concurrent factors could give cause to raise the road management classification and to consider whether it is possible to raise the classification in these sites.

The Swedish Transport Administration would like to make a supplementation in regard to this recommendation. In addition to the communications initiative carried out in the spring 2019, the Swedish Transport Administration will set stricter requirements for the winter maintenance of category 5 roads. The stricter requirements are equivalent to those made for category 4 roads in future procurements. This means that no charting will be conducted of category 5 roads as these roads will still receive the same level of winter maintenance as category 4 roads when new maintenance contracts have been concluded.

## Recommendation RJ 2018:01 R3

The Swedish Transport Administration was also recommended to consider whether the regular heavy lumber traffic on county road 755 and 759 via Hökmora results in the fulfilment of the road condition "road vehicles with particular risk", which would in turn lead to an upgrade in the choice of road protection facility.

In its review of the conditions for level crossings with specific road conditions, the Swedish Transport Administration will consider the choice of road protection facility at the level crossing concerned in the report.

## Recommendation RJ 2018:01 R4

The Swedish Transport Administration was also recommended to consider whether the area of use for obstacle detection systems can be expanded to also include other level crossing types with specific risks other than high speed.

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The Swedish Transport Administration would like to clarify that the work being done to solve the problems relating to obstacle detection systems is fully intended to lead to a decision on how to expand the use of such systems.

Regards,

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