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SUBJECT: Readily Available Vehicles

A self-propelled readily available means of transportation shall be located on each working section at all times when such sections are being serviced by track-mounted or rubber tired equipment.

Such transportation shall remain on the working section where persons load or unload.

When such readily available transportation is track-mounted and it becomes necessary to supply such section, it may be moved not to exceed 3,000 feet outby, provided the person removing such means of transportation shall at all times be in contact with a designated person on the working section, either directly or by way of the dispatcher so that he may respond immediately to remove any sick or injured person or persons.

If sections are utilizing loop loading, a readily available vehicle shall be continuously located at a point not to exceed 2,000 feet outby the farthest working face.