

COMMON OVERHEAD LINE CONDITIONS

Cultural/Spiritual

1. If any urupa, traditional sites, taonga (significant artefacts) or koiwi (human remains) are exposed during site works, then the following procedures shall apply:
 - (a) works in the immediate vicinity of the site that has been exposed shall cease;
 - (b) the site supervisor shall immediately secure the area in a way that ensures that any remains or artefacts are untouched;
 - (c) the site supervisor shall notify representatives of relevant tangata whenua, the New Zealand Historic Places Trust, [Council] and, in the case of human remains, the New Zealand Police; and
 - (d) The notification in (c) above shall allow such persons being given a reasonable time to record and resolve archaeological features discovered before work may recommence.

Electric and Magnetic Fields (EMF)

2. The works shall be designed and constructed to limit the EMF exposure to the *International Committee on Non-Ionising Radiation Protection Guidelines for limiting exposure to time varying magnetic fields (up to 300GHZ) (Health Physics, 1998 74(4): 494-552) (ICNIRP Guidelines)* public reference levels of 5kV/m for electric fields and 100 μ T for magnetic flux density at 1m above ground under maximum normal operating conditions (i.e. when there are no faults in the transmission system).

Earth potential rise/induced currents

3. In designing and constructing the line, Transpower shall give consideration to third party conductive structures and services to ensure compliance with

regulations 58, 60, 69 and 87 of the Electricity Regulations 1997 as in force as at the date of confirmation of the designation.

4. The works shall be designed and constructed to comply with AS/NZS4852:2000 "Electrical Hazards on Metallic Pipelines".
5. Prior to commissioning, Transpower shall have an appropriately qualified person assess all conductive structures in the vicinity of the transmission line. Any hazards shall under-go a risk assessment in accordance with the Electricity Engineers' Association Guide to Risk Based Earthing System Design. Transpower will carry out mitigation measures to address significant risks relating to earth potential rise and induction effects associated with the line.

Radio frequency interference

6. All works shall be designed to comply with NZS 6869:2004 *Limits & Measurement Methods of Electromagnetic Noise from High Voltage a.c. Power Systems, 0.15 to 1000 MHZ.*

Social

7. Transpower shall prepare a counselling/stress relief plan, after consultation with the territorial authority. The plan shall include the following:
 - (a) An offer of counselling to those persons directly affected by the designation crossing their property to manage undue stress related to implementing the North Island Grid Upgrade Project;
 - (b) an 0800 number for the service;
 - (c) no contact with Transpower personnel to access the service;
 - (d) such offer remaining open for acceptance for the period ending 6 months after confirmation of the designation; and
 - (e) such offer extending to a maximum of four counselling sessions, which may occur beyond the period referred to in (d) above, but which must be completed within 12 months of confirmation of the designation.

8. The implementation of the counselling/stress relief plan, and any counselling of directly affected persons, shall be at Transpower's cost.
9. Transpower shall not be in breach of the condition 7 if the offer of counselling is not taken up by any directly affected persons.

Operational Noise

10. The operation of the transmission line shall not exceed a limit of 40dBA Leq beyond the boundaries of the designation. Measurements shall not be undertaken during heavy rain.
11. **SOUND** levels shall be measured and assessed in accordance with NZS6801:1991 Measurement of Sound and NZS6802:1991 Assessment of Environmental Sound.

Construction and maintenance noise

12. All construction and maintenance work shall be designed, managed and conducted to ensure that construction and maintenance noise from the designated area does not exceed the limits in NZS6803:1999 Acoustics – Construction Noise at locations set out in section 6.2 of that standard.
13. The noise limits required by condition 12 shall not apply to emergency work required to re-establish continuity of supply, urgently required to prevent loss of life or other personal injury or commissioning works, but all practicable steps shall be undertaken to control noise and to avoid adverse noise effects particularly at times when the stricter noise limits apply (eg at night time).
14. Prior to any significant construction work taking place, including any earthworks, a noise management plan applicable to the construction and commissioning stages shall be prepared for the whole of the line, with the assistance of a suitably qualified and experienced person. The plan shall set out the management procedures in terms of section 8 and Annex E of NZS6803:1999 and the works shall be undertaken in accordance with that noise management plan.

15. The noise management plan required by condition 14 shall be submitted to the **[Council Consents Manager]**, at least 20 working days prior to the works commencing.

Construction Management Plan (CMP)

16. Prior to commencement of any construction activity authorised by the designation, Transpower shall submit a construction management plan to the **[Council Consents Officer]** for approval. The **[Council Consents Officer]** shall respond within 15 working days. Approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. The construction management plan shall outline Transpower's intended approach to the following:

- (a) land stability management and sediment controls;
- (b) storage and reuse of topsoil;
- (c) management and disposal of spoil;
- (d) groundwater and stormwater management, treatment and disposal;
- (e) silt and dust control, during earthwork stages;
- (f) traffic/access management;
- (g) temporary activities and equipment storage in specified areas;
- (h) security and lighting during construction;
- (i) contaminated land management procedures;
- (j) construction noise (as set out in condition **XX**), dust and vibration;
- (k) hours of work;
- (l) existing network utilities' protocols and guidelines;

- (m) subject to other specific conditions, cultural protocols and archaeological requirements;
- (n) vegetation clearance, disposal and restoration;
- (o) the intended construction programme (including staging if appropriate);
- (p) protocols and procedures for road controlling authorities and rail operators, where the line crosses that infrastructure;
- (q) community information and liaison;
- (r) contractor training; and
- (s) generic contents of Site Works Plans (**SWPs**).

Nothing in this condition allows the Council, or any other party, to require more onerous controls than contained in the designation conditions.

Pre-construction Activities

17. Prior to construction commencing, Transpower shall appoint a Landowner Liaison Officer, who will:
 - (a) be responsible for maintaining contact with landowners and occupiers of each property prior to, and during construction; and
 - (b) have a contact role with the landowner during the development of the Site Works Plan (**SWP**) for individual properties.
18. Transpower shall make copies of individual SWPs available to **[insert relevant Council]** for information purposes, on request.

Traffic Management Plan for road crossings

19. Transpower shall prepare a series of traffic management plans for road crossings (**TMPs**) in accordance with Transit New Zealand's Code of Practice for Temporary Traffic Management (**COPTTM**), after consultation with the following (as relevant):

- (a) **[Council]** (Road Controlling Authority);
- (b) Transit New Zealand, or successor organisation (**Transit**); and
- (c) New Zealand Police.

20. A TMP shall be submitted to the Council and Transit at least 20 working days prior to the commencement of construction of the relevant road crossing works. The plans may be submitted in stages, with each stage being submitted at least 20 working days prior to the commencement of the work the subject of that stage.

21. The TMPs shall address and provide details of proposed road crossing works and/or mitigation measures relating to the following matters:

- (a) details of the installation of any protection measures including, but not limited to, hurdles for subsequent line construction purposes; and
- (b) details of any necessary temporary road closures, diversions, or deviations which are likely to be required during road crossing activities, including the likely date, time, and duration of such matters (any necessary temporary road closures should be effected during off peak periods unless this is impracticable or would have adverse impacts on adjacent properties);
- (c) where diversions or deviations are required, information shall be provided by a suitably qualified and experienced traffic engineer of the traffic volumes and capacities of alternative routes to ensure that such routes are both convenient and capable of safely accommodating any such diverted or deviated traffic;
- (d) details of the proposed signage to advise motorists, residents, stakeholders, and other road users of any road closures, diversions and delays, such signage to be sufficiently clear to be capable of ready understanding by the general public and installed at appropriate locations at least 7 days in advance of such road closures, diversions and delays;

- (e) details of methods of proposed information dissemination regarding construction activities and associated traffic effects, including but not limited to public notices in newspapers, radio announcements, information packages and direct contact with affected persons. (Such information dissemination, and the chosen method of dissemination is to be proportional to the impact);
- (f) identification of any consultation or community liaison undertaken with affected residents, stakeholders, public transport providers, emergency services or representative groups regarding proposed road closures, diversions and delays, and any measures agreed with such groups to address any adverse effects or inconvenience that may arise;
- (g) identification of any measures for the purposes of mitigating adverse traffic effects of construction traffic, including safety matters (such speed restrictions and signage), relating to cyclists, pedestrians, disabled persons, and schoolchildren.

Construction entranceways off public roads

- 22.** Prior to the commencement of construction, Transpower shall undertake a survey of the condition of the roads in the immediate vicinity of construction entranceways off public roads (consisting of a photographic survey).
- 23.** Transpower shall repair any damage to entranceways and public roads in the vicinity of those entranceways resulting from impacts of its construction traffic.

Landscape mitigation

General

- 24.** Within two months of confirmation of the designation, Transpower shall appoint a suitably qualified and experienced landscape architect for the role of determining any disputes or disagreements arising from any of the matters under condition 31 and 33 (**the landscape adjudicator**). The person appointed shall be endorsed by the NZ Institute of Landscape Architects in writing as suitable for the role, having been advised of the role and responsibilities.

25. Any decision made by the landscape adjudicator in relation to the matters addressed in condition 31 shall be in writing (including reasons), and shall be final. Transpower shall be bound by any decision.
26. Any landowner may apply to the landscape adjudicator to review any decision of the landscape architect under condition 31(b) and 33, and the landscape adjudicator shall make a decision on that review accordingly. The landscape adjudicator shall set his or her own procedure for any review.

Landscape mitigation: private land

27. Within two months of confirmation of the designation, Transpower shall write to the owners of:

- (a) properties having an occupied house, existing as at the date of the Board's draft decision on the Notices of Requirement, within one kilometre of the centre line of the designation: and

- (b) the following properties:

317 Kopuku Road;
791 French Pass Road;
345 Whitehall Road; and
39 Todd Road,

which are beyond 1km distance from the centre line, but where the likely effects have been assessed as moderate.

28. The letter shall inform the landowner/s of the properties referred to in condition 27 of their possible entitlement to a landscape mitigation assessment in accordance with condition 31. This condition shall not apply to any property where an agreement relating to landscape mitigation has already been reached between Transpower and the landowner.

29. The written offer required by condition 27 shall inform the landowner that he/she may request Transpower to consider landscape mitigation at his/her option prior to, or after, construction of the overhead line, and outline the process established by these conditions (including the role and responsibilities of the landscape adjudicator).

30. Within two months of commissioning of the line, Transpower shall repeat the offer required by condition 27 for all landowners who have not already indicated

preliminary acceptance of Transpower's offer. Transpower shall expressly state that the offer shall remain valid for 12 months following commissioning of the overhead line.

31. In the case of each landowner who has indicated acceptance of the offer of landscape mitigation assessment, the following process shall be followed:
- (a) An onsite meeting shall be arranged between the landowner and a qualified landscape architect (**the landscape architect**) appointed by Transpower.
 - (b) The landscape architect shall determine whether mitigation is appropriate in terms of the criteria in Table 1. If the determination is that no mitigation is appropriate, the landscape architect shall advise Transpower with reasons, and Transpower shall advise the landowner.
 - (c) If the landscape architect identifies that mitigation is appropriate in terms of the criteria in Table 1 he/she shall prepare a plan (**the concept plan**) to mitigate the adverse visual effects of the overhead line when viewed from the dwelling and the immediate curtilage of the dwelling. The mitigation techniques shall take into account the factors and criteria in Table 1.

Table 1

Factors	Criteria
Degree of Likely Visual Amenity Effect	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moderate to very high degree of effect
Basis for Assessment of Degree of Effect	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distance from the line and towers • Orientation of the house and outdoor living areas • Existing screening and nature of intervening landscape • Relative elevation
Mitigation Technique	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planting that may screen or partially screen towers • Planting that may create an alternative foreground focus • Planting that may focus the outlook on an alternative view • Planting that may increase the sense of depth in a view towards the line
Practicality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land available in the resident's ownership for landscape mitigation • Existing garden design or landscape constraints • Farm management constraints
Owner's Preference	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preferences identified during the consultation and design process

- (d) The concept plan shall be prepared in draft and following review by Transpower shall be submitted to the landowner for comment.
- (e) The concept plan shall be reviewed by the landscape architect following the receipt of comments, and following such further consideration, investigation and discussion with the landowner and Transpower as the landscape architect considers necessary, taking into account the criteria in Table 1 and the cost and practicality of implementing any specific request. The revised plan (**the final plan**) will be provided to the landowner as soon as reasonably practicable.
- (f) On receipt of written acceptance of the final plan, Transpower shall implement it within the first planting season following that acceptance, unless otherwise agreed with the landowner.
- 32.** Transpower shall maintain the planting for 12 months after completion of planting.
- 33.** In the event that a landowner advises Transpower that the landowner wishes to implement the final plan themselves, within 30 days following completion of all work specified in the final plan to the reasonable satisfaction of the landscape architect, Transpower shall pay the landowner the sum of money allocated in the approved concept plan. Where this occurs, condition 32 shall not apply.
- 34.** In the event that a landowner advises Transpower that the landowner wishes to maintain the planting themselves, within 30 days following completion of all works specified in the final plan, Transpower shall pay the landowner the sum of money allocated in the approved concept plan for maintenance. Where this occurs, condition 32 shall not apply.

Landscape mitigation: Public Land

- 35.** Within 12 months of confirmation of the designation, Transpower shall write to the **[Council] (Council)**, and where relevant Transit New Zealand, informing it or them of its proposal to carry out landscape mitigation along specific sections or locations of roads and State highways in the Council's district, as shown on the plans entitled "Transpower - North Island 400kV Project, Proposed Planting as Mitigation Measures, Location Map", 19 May 2008,

Maps 1-8, and seeking the Council's involvement in implementing the mitigation. The offer shall be for the purpose of mitigation of adverse visual effects of the overhead line when viewed from the public roads or other viewpoints shown in the plan.

36. On receiving a positive response from the Council and/or Transit (as applicable), Transpower shall provide a draft development plan, specifications, and costing prepared by a qualified landscape architect as an offer to the Council and/or Transit. The offer shall remain open for 12 months following commissioning of the line.
37. Transpower shall review any comments provided by the Council and/or Transit and shall issue a final plan. The final plan shall be provided as soon as practicable to the Council and/or Transit.
38. On the Council's and/or Transit's written acceptance of the plan (where relevant) and agreement to implement the mitigation, Transpower shall, within 30 days, pay to the Council and/or Transit the cost specified in the accepted plan (which shall include an estimate for a year of maintenance).
39. Transpower shall not be in breach of condition 35 in the event the Council and/or Transit do not undertake the planting as provided in the final plan.

Aviation

40. Transpower shall, on a monthly basis during the construction of the line, inform the New Zealand Agricultural Aviation Authority, the Civil Aviation Authority and Ardmore Airport Limited (in relation to the towers within the conical surface only, as set out in the Appendix Map 8, Ardmore Aerodrome Protection Measures, Manukau Operative District Plan, 2002) of the construction activities completed in the previous month, and intended to be undertaken in the following month including:
 - (a) erection of specific Towers (with locations and heights); and
 - (b) stringing of conductor and earthwires between specified Towers.
41. For the avoidance of doubt, the requirement in condition **[immediately above]** applies to each Tower and conductoring of each Tower, not merely the commencement of Tower erection or conductoring.