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To the board of enquiry

How naïve and arrogant are you? You ask me for evidence in the case of transpower's proposed upgrade. Why doesn't transpower give myself the public and the board of enquiry evidence on why it proposes to fell mature native kahikatea trees which have been in place before the arrival of mankind. They have been preserved by my ancestors to be enjoyed by future generations of men woman children and all native wildlife.

You are wanting to fell your way through these magnificent mature native trees to make way for your lines. I totally oppose this as there are alternatives .

Why is it that in the suburbs of Auckland you have no problem laying under ground cable yet in the country where your destruction is not seen by the majority you would happily fell native trees to make way for your pylons.

I challenge you to come and personally visit the site where your proposed route is and I ask that you sit and observe the native fauna and flora and then give me an answer.

In parting I ask you this, if this stand of mature trees were in a park in Auckland city would you be allowed to fell these trees to make way for your pylons and lines? I BELIEVE NOT.

I look forward to challenging you in your decisions.

Stu Jefferis 6th generation preserver