

South Taranaki District Plan Rules Analysis

Power Cable and Electricity Infrastructure

As per the STDP:

NETWORK UTILITY: means any activity, BUILDING or STRUCTURE, including INCIDENTAL EQUIPMENT, relating to:...

(c) Transformation, transmission or distribution of electricity.

District Plan Section	Parameter	Rules, Standards, Activity and Assessment	Status
Network Utility Rules			
14.1.1	Permitted Activities in All Zones	<p>Rule / Standard:</p> <p>(a) The development, operation, maintenance and upgrading of the following activities are permitted activities, provided that they comply with the performance standards in Section 14.2:</p> <p>(viii) Pump stations or electricity substations, provided that new or enlarged pump stations or electricity substations do not exceed 50m² in gross floor area.</p> <p>(ix) Underground and overhead electricity lines and cables, associated support structures (and incidental equipment) not exceeding 110kV.</p> <p>Activity and Assessment:</p> <p>The installation of new electricity cabling from the Wind Turbine Site to the Ballance Plant, and the installation of underground or overhead lines are permitted as the proposed cables will have a maximum capacity of 33kV.</p>	Permitted
Network Utility Performance Standards – Permitted Activities			
14.2.3	Site Reinstatement	<p>Rule / Standard:</p> <p>1. Any ground disturbance to the site shall be reinstated as close as practicable to its original condition at the completion of works.</p> <p>Activity and Assessment:</p> <p>The ground will be reinstated to near original condition after installation of the electricity cables and switchrooms / substations.</p>	Complies
14.2.6	Noise	<p>Rule / Standard:</p> <p>1. All network utilities shall comply with the noise standards for the Zone in which it is located, in accordance with Section 11.</p> <p>Activity and Assessment:</p> <p>The operation of electricity network utilities will comply with all noise requirements for the Rural and Rural Industrial Zones.</p>	Complies

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14.2.10	Aboveground lines and support structures	<p>Rule / Standard:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Aboveground lines and support structures shall not exceed a maximum height of 15m in the Township Zone or 25m in the Rural, or Rural Industrial Zones. 2. All poles and/or towers that no longer support wires/lines, and which are no longer required for any other purpose, shall be removed within 3 months of lines being replaced, removed or placed underground. <p>Activity and Assessment:</p> <p>No new aboveground lines or support structures are proposed.</p>	Complies
District Wide Rules			
18.1.1	Permitted Activities	<p>Rule / Standard:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Relocated buildings (including the removal of a building from its original site). (b) Temporary buildings ancillary to a building or other construction project. (c) Temporary activities. (d) Temporary military training activities. <p>Activity and Assessment:</p> <p>There may be temporary buildings on-site during construction of the electricity infrastructure.</p>	Permitted
District Wide Performance Standards – Permitted Activities			
18.2.2	Temporary buildings ancillary to a building or other construction project	<p>Rule / Standard:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All temporary buildings ancillary to a building or other construction project shall meet the following requirements: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Maximum gross floor area: 50m² per site and (ii) The duration of the temporary building shall not exceed the duration of the project, or 12 month period, whichever is the lesser. <p>Activity and Assessment:</p> <p>If required, the use of temporary buildings will comply with the above performance standards.</p>	Complies
Signs Rules			

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19.1.1	Permitted Activities	<p>Rule / Standard:</p> <p>The following activities are permitted in all zones, provided activities comply with the relevant Performance Standards in Section 19.2:</p> <p>(a) Except where specifically provided for as restricted discretionary or discretionary activities, the erection of signs in all zones.</p> <p>(b) Signs installed purely for health and safety reasons or to comply with legislative requirements (e.g. hazardous substances signage).</p> <p>Note: Signs in 19.1.1(b) are not subject to any performance standards in Section 19.2.</p> <p>Activity and Assessment:</p> <p>Signs will be used for health and safety reasons during cable installation on the site. No other signs will be erected.</p>	Permitted