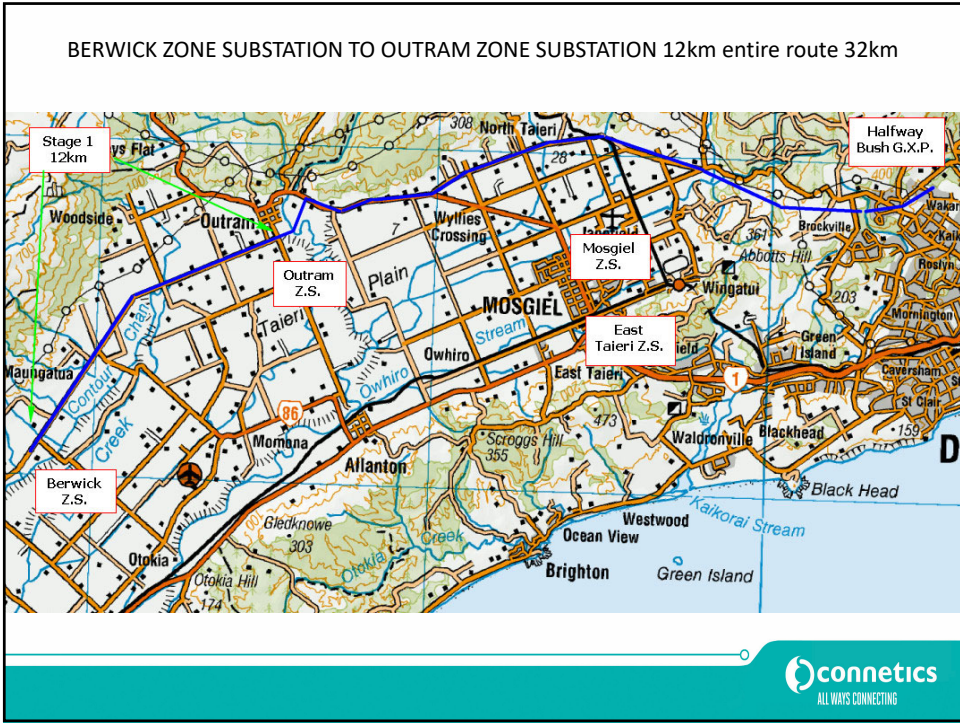


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THE PROJECT

- THREE LEGACY LINES FROM WAIPORI HYDRO POWER STATION TO HALFWAY BUSH GXP, ORIGINALLY SUPPLYING ALL OF DUNEDIN.
- BUILT ACROSS THE TAIERI PLAIN AND UP THREE MILE HILL AT 50m SPACINGS.
- SUPPLYING FOUR AURORA ZONE SUBS, BERWICK, OUTRAM, MOSGIEL, TAIERI EAST
- LINES FROM WAIPORI TO BERWICK OWNED AND MAINTAINED BY TRUSTPOWER.
- REPLACE THREE 33kV LINES WITH TWO 33kV LINES.

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Design Criteria

Known as the “A”, “B”, and “C” lines.

“A” and “B” line strung with twin twist 3/12Cu, the newer “C” line strung with 19/.101Cu.

“A” and “B” line to be rebuilt, “C” line removed, 30MVA summer noon capacity required.

Ability to underbuild 11kV on new “B” line and retrofit “A” line with 33kV flat underbuild.

Fibre communications between zone subs with ADSS, changed to OPGW for EPR mitigation.

New poles to be taller to maximise spans, reduce Aurora pole inventory, improve road safety for “Car V Pole”.

Aurora initially called for a “Solution Studies Report”



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Solution Studies Report outcome

1. The Taieri Plain is well known for flooding and being very low lying (Outram ZS is at 8m ASL).
2. A Geotechnical study would be required to confirm ground conditions for pole foundations along the entire route.
3. A earthing study would be required to confirm EPR mitigation and fault clearance abilities.
4. A structural engineering review would be required to establish engineering parameters based on the results of the geotechnical study and pole strengths.
5. 30MVA summer noon would require 2x Nitrogen AAAC circuits
6. The pole loadings of Nitrogen above Nitrogen and OPGW would preclude the use of wooden or concrete poles at spans greater than those already existing. 45kN inline and 75kN strain/deviation pole strengths were required.
7. The only option was steel poles with the intention for them to be ground planted.



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Outcome of the reports TerraMDC Geotechnical report

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2.9 Alluvial Fan Hazard

Alluvial fans are formed from the eroded soils and rock off steep hill country deposited by the rivers and streams running down onto the lower gently sloped terrain. These alluvial deposits typically accumulate at the mouth or opening of steeper hill valleys and off surrounding hill slopes where the watercourse gradient decreases and channel width increases causing the slowing of water velocity and subsequent sediment deposition and fan formation. Any infrastructure or property formed on alluvial fans can be at greater risk of damage caused by flooding due the steeper gradient compared to the surrounding flood plains. This increases the risk of fast flowing water with entrained debris and sedimentation during flooding events.

Figure 6 maps the alluvial fan hazard zones⁷ along the existing power lines route. There are several alluvial fans along the route where it follows the toe slopes of the North Taieri hills and the Maungatua Ranges. The section along Milners Road to Wairongoa Road is within an active floodwater dominant zone. Along the Wairongoa Road and Tirihanga Road it is predominantly within an inactive floodwater dominant zone and partially an inactive composite alluvial fan zone. The route along Maungatua Road encounters both active and inactive floodwater dominant zones with the active zones associated with the existing water courses.



Figure 6: Alluvial Fan Hazards along the Taieri Plains along the HWB - BWK Powerlines Route.



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Figure 7 shows the various flooding zones from the base of Three Mile Hill Road and along the northern edges of the Taieri Plains, crossing the Taieri River and running out to the end of Maungatua Road at the Berwick sub-station. The ORC reports⁸ for each flooding zone should be consulted separately to ascertain the potential flood risk to each section of the powerlines route within these individual areas.

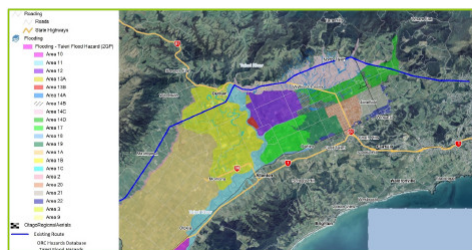
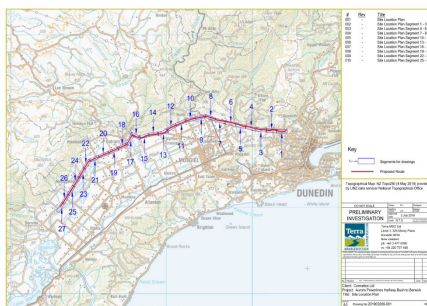


Figure 7: Flood Hazard Zones on the Taieri Plains along the HWB - BWK Powerlines Route.



There are eight geological regions noted in the Table 1 below which lie along the route, with colour coding per the GNS mapping;

Geological Region	Key	Soil / Bedrock Description
1. Dunedin Volcanics 2nd phase extrusives		Loess overlying Basalt, phonolite & dolerite
2. Dunedin Volcanics 3rd phase extrusives		Loess overlying Basalt & interbedded tuffs
3. Dunedin Volcanic Group extrusives		Loess overlying tuff & pyroclastic's
4. Holocene Deposits - Q1 alluvium		Silt, sand and gravels,
5. Late Pleistocene deposits - Q2 alluvium		Silt, sand and gravels
6. Middle Pleistocene deposits Q6 Alluvium		Loess, silt, sand, gravel
7. Undifferentiated Caples Terrane TZIII schist		Loess, weathered Schist over fresh Schist
8. Rakai Terrane Permian - Triassic TZIV schist		Loess, Weathered Schist over fresh Schist

Table 1: Geological Regions of HWB - BWK Powerlines Route



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3.3 Soil Chemical Testing

Eight bulk soil samples were taken from different test pit locations to obtain a variety of soil samples. The samples were all checked for pH levels and three samples (TP04, TP14, TP19) were selected for a full suite of chemical testing. Full test results are presented in Appendix B.

Table 4 below displays the description of the sample and the tested pH level.

Test Pit	Depth	Sample	pH level
TP04	3.2m – 3.5m	Weathered tuff and dolerite	6.1
TP06	2.0m – 2.5m	Fine to coarse gravelly cobbles	6.7
TP09	2.5m – 4.3m	Silty alluvium	6.8
TP13	2.9m – 3.6m	Silty sandy fine to coarse gravel	5.8
TP14	3.9m – 4.2m	Silty alluvium	6.3
TP19	3.0m – 3.6m	Fine to coarse sand	5.7
TP26	3.0m – 3.6m	Silty alluvium	6.0
TP27	3.5m – 4.0m	Silty sandy fine to coarse gravel	5.7

Table 4: Summary of Samples Tested for pH.

A full suite of tests was undertaken on three of the samples, these are summarised below in Table 5. The Water-Soluble Sulphate test were carried out but did not obtain any significant results. TP14 was noted to have a moderate reaction to the hydrogen peroxide test. TP04 and TP19 were noted to have a very vigorous reaction to the hydrogen peroxide test.

Tests	TP04	TP14	TP19
Organic matter (g/100g)	9.3	1.55	2.1
pH Peroxide Test (pH Units)	5.4	5.1	3.2
Carbonate (g/100g as CO ₂)	<5.0	<5.0	<5.0
Soluble salts (g/100g)	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05
Ash (g/100g)	91	98	98
Chloride (mg/kg)	75	7	<3
Acid Soluble Chloride (mg/kg)	70	10	<10
Sulphate (mg/kg)	106	9	33

Table 5: summary of Laboratory Chemical Testing.

The screenshot shows a 'Certificate of Analysis' from Hill Laboratories. It includes client information (Fulton Hogan Limited), lab details (2175441), and a table of test results for samples TP04, TP14, TP19, TP26, and TP27. The table lists parameters like pH, Organic Matter, Carbonate, Soluble Salts, Ash, Chloride, and Sulphate with their respective values and units.



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Soil or Rock Types	Description	Geotechnical Parameters	Potential Hazard Vulnerability for Review in Detailed Design
Recent riverbed sediments: Fine silty clay soils or silty sands and gravels (Alluvium)	Very soft to firm cohesive soils, or unconsolidated weak and loose fine non-cohesive soils *Ignore the top 1.5m of soil for design:	Undrained condition $S_u = 35$ to 50 kN/m ² Drained condition $\Phi_i (\delta^{\circ}) = 26^{\circ}$ $C' = 0$ kN/m ² Young's Elastic Mod E_{50} = 3MPa Bulk Density = 1.6 t/m ³	'Domain C' Moderate to High Potential of Liquefaction. Full depth cyclical softening of foundation soils under repeated loading. Unstable soils in deep excavations High groundwater table. Surface flooding likely.
Older Colluvium & Fan debris deposits: Clayey silts or silty Sands and Gravels (Colluvium)	Soft to firm cohesive soils or medium dense fine non-cohesive soils. *Ignore the top 0.8m of soil for design:	Undrained condition $S_u = 50$ to 80 kN/m ² Drained condition $\Phi_i (\delta^{\circ}) = 28^{\circ}$ $C' = 5$ kN/m ² Young's Elastic Mod E_{50} = 10MPa Bulk Density = 1.8 t/m ³	'Domain B' Low to Moderate Potential of Liquefaction. Near surface (<2.0m depth) cyclical softening of foundation soils under repeated loading. Possible creep ground movement near steep (>22 degrees) slopes. Fan hazards and localised surface flooding with entrained alluvium.
Loess overlying Volcanic inter-bedded basalts & tuffs	firm to stiff (<1.0m) cohesive soils overlying completely weathered volcanic bedrock Ignore the top 0.5m of soil for design (topsoil):	Undrained condition Loess: $S_u = 80$ kN/m ² Drained condition $\Phi_i (\delta^{\circ}) = 32^{\circ}$ $C' = 10$ kN/m ² Young's Elastic Mod E_{50} = 70MPa Bulk Density = 1.9 t/m ³	'Domain A' Nil to Low Potential of Liquefaction. Potential for land slippage on slopes >20degrees. Possible creep ground movement near steep (>28 degrees) slopes. Shallow hard bedrock or boulders possible in foundations.
Loess overlying weathered to fresh Schist	Firm to stiff (<1.0m) cohesive soils overlying completely weathered schist bedrock Ignore the top 0.5m of soil for design (topsoil):	Undrained condition Loess: $S_u = 80$ kN/m ² Drained condition $\Phi_i (\delta^{\circ}) = 32^{\circ}$ $C' = 5$ kN/m ² Young's Elastic Mod E_{50} = 100MPa Bulk Density = 2.0 t/m ³	'Domain A' Nil to Low Potential of Liquefaction Potential for land slippage on slopes >25degrees Shallow hard bedrock possible in foundations

Table 6: Summary of Geological Units, Geotechnical Design Parameters and Hazard Vulnerabilities



Beca Earthing report

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2 Scope of Design

The project scope of works documented in this report comprises the testing, analysis and hazard mitigation design for steel poles along the proposed line route. This report documents the input data collation, soil resistivity testing and concept pole earthing design for the new 33 kV lines.

The earthing system modelling contained within this report has been carried out in CDEGS version 16.

The concept pole earthing design complies with the standards, guidelines and industry practices identified in Table 1.

Table 1: Standards and guidelines referenced in the concept pole earthing design

Reference	Revision	Title
ESR	2010	New Zealand Electricity Safety Regulations
Aurora NS 2.1	2019	Network Earthing
AS/NZS 7000	2016	Overhead Line Design
IEC 60479.1	2005	Effects of Current on Human Beings and Livestock, Part1: General Aspects
AS/NZS 3000	2018	Wiring Rules
AS/NZS 1768	2007	Lightning Protection
AS/NZS 3835.1	2006	Earth Potential Rise – Part 1: Code of Practice
AS/NZS 4853	2012	Electrical Hazards on Metallic Pipelines
NZIECP 34	2001	New Zealand Electrical Code of Practice for Electrical Safe Distances
NZCCPTS	2014	Power Co-ordination Overview Guide
EEA	2006	Guide to Risk Based Earthing System Design
EEA	2009	Guide to Power System Earthing Practice
IEEE 80	2013	Guide for Safety in AC Substation Grounding
IEEE 81	2012	Guide for Measuring Earth Resistivity, Ground Impedance and Surface Potentials of a Ground system

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5.1 Pole Footing Resistance

The pole earth resistance values were calculated using CDEGS for three different foundation sizes: 3 m length (minimum size), 4.2 m length (nominal size) and 5.5 m length (maximum size). The calculated earth resistance values are plotted in Figure 2 below and are also summarised in Appendix B.

3.2 Soil Resistivity

Beca measured soil resistivity along the proposed line route at nominal 1 km spacings. The soil testing was carried out between the 9th and 12th April 2019. Soil conditions were generally damp as the testing was carried out following an extended period of rain.

The measured soil resistivity data was processed in the RESAP module of CDEGS and an equivalent soil resistivity model was developed for use in the CDEGS calculations. The RESAP output plots are included in Appendix A. The derived soil resistivity profiles along the line route are summarised in Table 4.

Table 4: Derived soil resistivity profiles along the concept line route

Location	Soil Layer	Resistivity (Ω-m)	Thickness (m)
HB001: Under 33kV lines near Balmain Street	Top	532	1.15
	Middle	202	2.95
	Bottom	66	∞
HB002: Under 33kV lines near Ashmore Street	Top	592	2.21
	Bottom	59	∞
HB003: Flagstaff-Whare Flat Road	Top	408	1.05
	Middle	121	10.00
	Bottom	83	∞
HB004: Halfway Bush Road	Top	1512	0.70
	Middle	85	3.48
	Bottom	28	∞
HB005: Near Transover Three Mile Hill Substation Switchyard	Top	638	0.61
	Middle	90	3.04
	Bottom	24	∞

3.5 Special Locations

The new lines will be routed behind Halfway Bush School, Halfway Bush pre-school and residential properties along Balmain Street. They will also be routed adjacent to the Outram Rugby ground along Huntly Road between Bell Street and Fomby Street.

The EEA "Guide to Power System Earthing Practice: June 2009" (EEA guide) defines a "Special Location" as any urban or rural area where a significant gathering of people may occur, particularly situations where people may not be wearing footwear. "Special Locations" could be found in areas such as within a school's grounds, children's playground, public swimming pool area, popularly used beach or water recreation area or in a public thoroughfare.

A transferred voltage from a steel pole to the school property fence, playground equipment of drinking fountains, etc., will create a potentially hazardous touch voltage involving children.

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Outcome of design partner studies

- Geotechnical report showed top 1.5m of soil on Taieri Plain unable to provide any foundation support.
- For this reason flange mounted poles were designed instead of ground planted. Only two poles would be required, 45kN and 75kN. The foundations would be changed to suit, 3.0m deep to 5.5m deep.
- Soil conditions such that corrosion between foundation steel, concrete and pole would not be of concern.
- Publically available literature showed a very diverse set of ground conditions, flood zones, alluvial fans, faultlines.

Beca earthing report revealed

- In agreeance with geotechnical report, very varied ground conditions were identified. A one solution fits all earthing design would be more than required (i.e. very expensive) . A 20m deep drive earth at each pole.
- A shallow low impedance ground cover was above a high impedance layer resulting in very problematic earthing with regard to EPR concerns. This resulted in the minimum foundation depth increasing to 3.5m and the ADSS changing to OPGW
- Three “Special Locations” were identified, a sportsground, a primary school and preschool.

Final design parameters

- 14.3m ground flange mount, two piece, slip joint steel poles, 45 & 75kN tip load, pre-drilled and fitted with attachment brackets
- Two foundation bolt cages, 1.5m long 12 or 18 x 30mm bolts.
- Rebar spiral and vertical foundations 3.5m – 5.5m encasing the bolt cages.
- OPGW and OHEW providing EPR mitigation along with driven earths at each pole (location dependent)
- All LV O/H removed and undergrounded. No poles at intersections for road and pole security with 11kV tee off's undergrounded around corners.
- 5.0m deep mass concrete ground stays utilising 20mm Reid Bar, "Banana" turnbuckles and three 105kN stay wires.



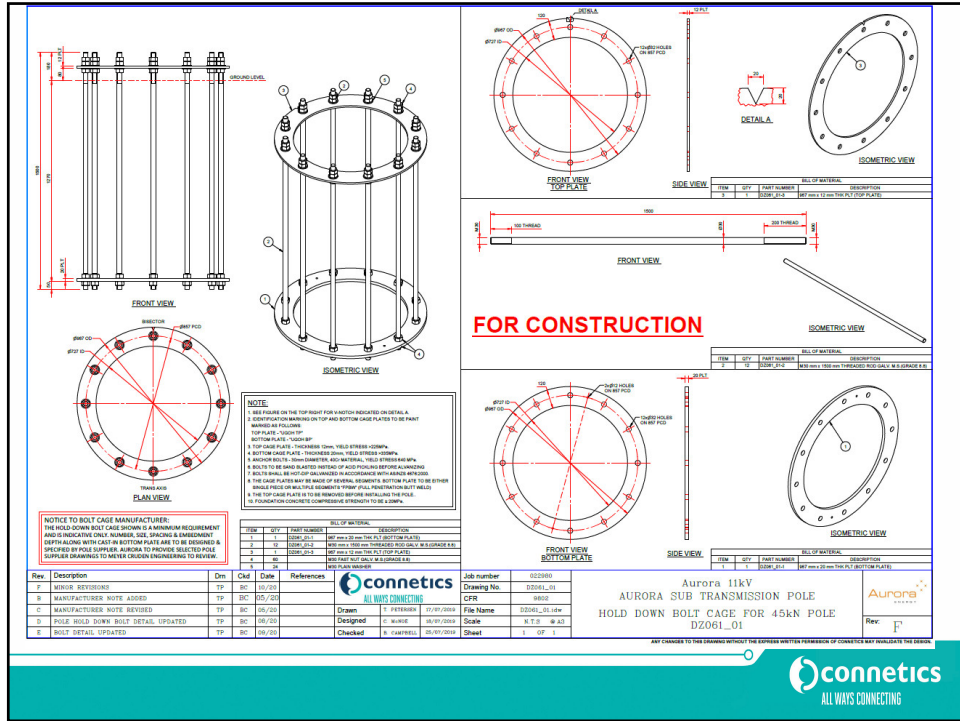
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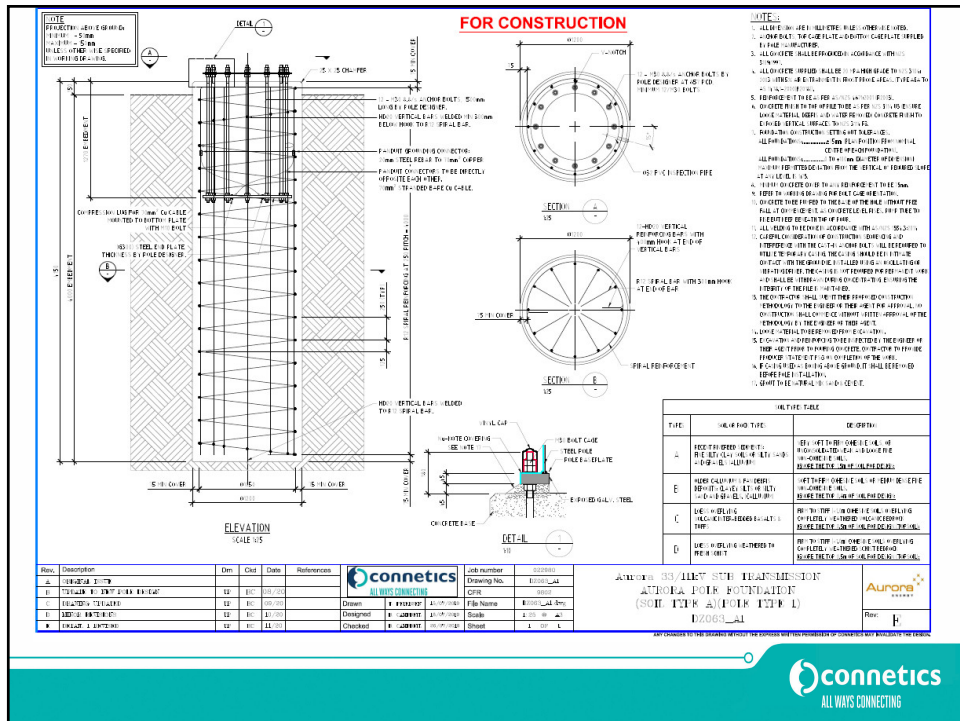
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4	WASHERS	12	EA	AS PER SPECIFICATION
5	CONCRETE	1	EA	AS PER SPECIFICATION

Rev.	Description	On	By	Date	References
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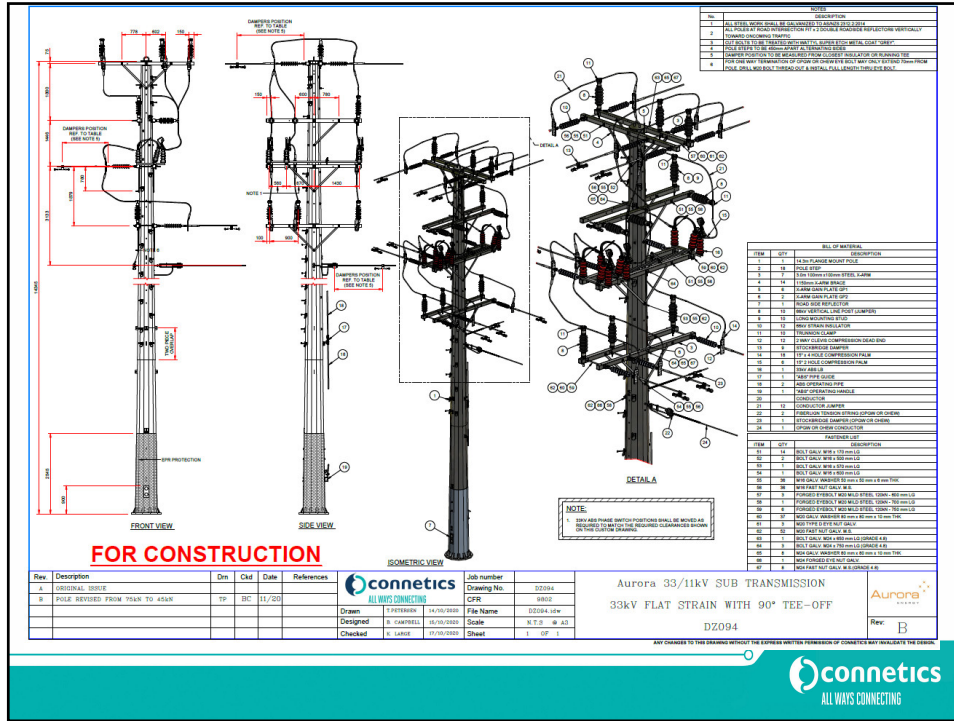
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The Build by Delta Utility Services

- Delta won the build contract and had from January 2021 until April 2021 to remove 270 old wooden and concrete poles, install 92 foundations. Assemble and install 92 steel poles, carry out enabling work at all the intersections and customer connections, carry out an underground conversion of Huntly Road in Outram for 400m, all while rebuilding Outram Z.S.
- Trustpower would only have the “A” & “C” lines to export their hydro generation from Waipori.



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