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1 Introduction

EDGE Consulting Engineers Pty Ltd have been engaged by Silverstone Developments Pty Ltd to prepare a Civil Engineering Report for the development at Site 17.2, 17 Karakul Road, Hamilton. The development is proposed to take place over the following parcel of land:

Property Address:	Site 17.2, 17 Karakul Road, Hamilton
Property Description:	Lot 1 SP337697
Council:	Brisbane City Council
Developable Site Area:	7,954m ²

This report is for submission to Brisbane City Council (BCC) in support of a Development Application for a multi-tower residential development. The following civil engineering items associated with the development shall be addressed;

- Earthworks;
- Erosion and Sediment Control;
- Flooding;
- Stormwater Drainage;
- Stormwater Management (quality and quantity)
- Water Connection; and
- Sewer Connection.

This report investigates the proposed development and it's suitability to service the type and scale of development that is proposed. Please note that there was a previous Civil Engineering Report (Rev 02, 14/11/2024), conducted by ADG Engineers (Aust) Pty Ltd, that was submitted to EDQ and approved (Approval no.: Dev2024/1524). This updated report, completed by EDGE Consulting Engineers, will also be assessed by EDQ.

2 Property Description

2.1 Site Locality

The proposed development is situated at Site 17.2, 17 Karakul Road, Hamilton. The property is located within the Brisbane City Council (BCC) Local Government Area.

The site is bounded by MacArthur Avenue along the northeastern boundary, Barcham Road along the western boundary and Karakul Road along the southern boundary. It is within an industrial area with Old Shoreline Park and the Royal Queensland Golf Course to the northeast and Brisbane River to the south and Northshore Riverside Park to the southeast. It has a registered area of the site is 7,980m².

A general locality plan is presented in Figure 2.1 below:



Figure 2.1 - Site Locality

2.2 Land Usage

The site is currently vacant and is deemed 100% pervious.

2.3 Topography and Drainage

The detailed survey obtained for the project site indicates that the site is relatively flat (no significant grade).

A copy of the detailed survey by Land Partners has been attached to Appendix A of this report.

2.4 External Catchment

No external upstream catchments were identified for this site.

3 Proposed Development

3.1 Development Description

The proposed development consists of:

- The construction of two seven-storey residential towers (MacArthur Tower and Karakul Tower)
- The construction of a basement carpark;
- The construction of associated driveways and other hardstand surfaces associated with the proposed development.

Refer to the Architectural Plans in Appendix B.

Construction works for the site will consist of bulk earthworks, with controlled excavation works and general lot shaping.

Additional works on site shall include the construction of water reticulation, sewer reticulation, electrical and telecommunications services and stormwater management works (quantity and quality).

4 Flooding

According to BCC's interactive Flood mapping, the site is outside of any flood event hazard extents, as shown in Figure 2.1 below. All flood hazards are classified as 'Unlikely'.



Figure 4.1- Flood Risk Area Overlay Map (OM17)

5 Stormwater Management

5.1 Lawful Point of Discharge

It is proposed that the site shall maintain its existing lawful point of discharge; the two existing stormwater connections that discharge to Barcham Road and Karakul Road. Another stormwater connection will be provided for the site to discharge to MacArthur Avenue. Refer to the Engineering Drawings attached as Appendix C. This methodology complies with the requirements of a lawful point of discharge and will be maintained following the development of the site. It is not anticipated that any stormwater will be directed towards any adjacent properties.

The Queensland Urban Drainage Manual (QUDM), 2017, provides a three-part framework for the identification of a lawful point of discharge for a development site. The first assessment item is to consider if the proposed development will alter the site's stormwater discharge characteristics in a manner that may substantially damage a third-party property. As the proposed development is not considered likely to worsen the flows received by the existing stormwater infrastructure, the proposed point of discharge is considered to satisfy the requirements set out in Section 3.9.1 – Lawful Point of Discharge Test.

5.2 Stormwater Quality

5.2.1 Introduction

This section of the report aims to identify the requirements for stormwater quality management resulting from the proposed development and identify suitable stormwater treatment devices to comply with relevant requirements of the State Planning Policy.

5.2.2 State Planning Policy Assessment

An assessment has been undertaken to determine whether the development proposal necessitates compliance with the State Planning Policy (SPP) objectives. The following trigger questions are used to determine whether SPP compliance is required.

Table 5.1: State Planning Policy Trigger Questions

Trigger Question	Development Response
Material Change of Use for Urban Purposes with a land area greater than 2,500m ² and:	Yes
a) Will result in an impervious area greater than 25% of the net developable area; or	Yes
b) Will result in 6 or more dwellings.	No
Reconfiguration of Lot for Urban Purposes that involves a land area greater than 2,500m ² , and will result in 6 or more lots.	No

The above table indicates that the development triggers compliance with the SPP, and the proposed development will adopt SPP stormwater quality assessment.

5.2.3 Water Quality Objectives and Methodology

Table 5.1 above indicates that the proposed development triggers the requirement for the development to achieve the Water Quality Objectives outlined in the State Planning Policy and BCC. As such, the development must demonstrate the following minimum reductions in mean annual pollutant loads from the unmitigated development.

Table 5.2: SPP and BCC Water Quality Objectives

Pollutant	Minimum Reduction in Mean Load (%)
Total Suspended Solids (kg/yr)	80
Total Phosphorus (kg/yr)	60
Total Nitrogen (kg/yr)	45
Gross Pollutants (kg/yr)	90

To design and assess the achievement of these stormwater quality objectives the Model for Urban Stormwater Improvement Conceptualisation (MUSIC) Version MUSICX 1.30.0 has been utilised to size suitable stormwater quality improvement devices as described in the following sections.

5.2.4 Catchment Area & Source Nodes

The catchment areas used in the MUSIC model for the site are limited to the net developable area of the development site and are outlined in Table 5.3 below. Please note that the site has been split into 2 catchments.

Table 5.3: Catchment Definitions

Catchment	Catchment Type	Imperviousness (%)	Area (m2)
A	Roof	100	1683
	Road	100	254
	Landscape	0	712
B	Roof	100	2394
	Road	100	1106
	Landscape	0	1805
Total		68	7954

5.2.5 Rainfall Runoff Parameters

Rainfall-runoff parameters were taken in accordance with the Water By Design – MUSIC Modelling Guidelines (2010) using *Urban Residential* land use, as tabulated in Table 5.4 below.

Table 5.4: MUSIC Modelling Parameters

Parameter	Value
Rainfall threshold (mm)	1.00
Soil storage capacity (mm)	500
Initial storage (%)	10
Field capacity (mm)	200
Infiltration capacity coefficient a	211
Infiltration capacity exponent b	5.0
Initial depth (mm)	50
Daily recharge rate (%)	28
Daily baseflow rate (%)	27
Daily deep seepage rate	0

5.2.6 Pollution Export Parameters

Pollutant export parameters were taken in accordance with Water By Design – MUSIC Modelling Guidelines (2010) using *Urban Residential* land use. The split catchment approach was utilised for each surface type, with the input parameters shown in Table 5.5 below.

Table 5.5: Pollutant Export Parameters

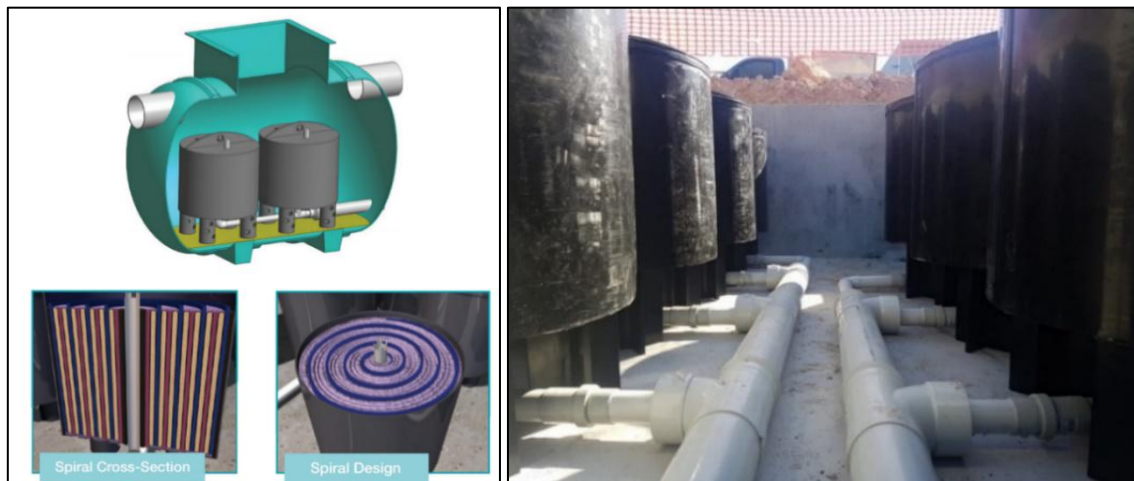
Flow Type	Surface Type	TSS log ¹⁰ values		TP log ¹⁰ values		TN log ¹⁰ values	
Baseflow	Roof	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Roads	1.00	0.34	-0.97	0.31	0.20	0.20
	Ground	1.00	0.34	-0.97	0.31	0.20	0.20
Stormflow	Roof	1.30	0.39	-0.89	0.31	0.26	0.23
	Roads	2.43	0.39	-0.30	0.31	0.26	0.23
	Ground	2.18	0.39	0.39	0.31	0.26	0.23

5.2.7 Proposed Treatment Device Details

The proposed stormwater quality treatment train includes an ATLAN Environmental cartridge system to treat stormwater flows from the development site. This system is to provide primary treatment of stormwater flows. Flows from each catchment of the development site are proposed to be directed towards the allocated stormwater treatment chamber of the proposed development, as shown on the engineering drawings attached as Appendix C.

The ATLAN Filter cartridge system provides a significantly greater surface contact area to footprint ratio than other filters. With a flow rate of 2.83L/s per cartridge and underground installation, the ATLAN Filter provides excellent removal efficiency whilst maintaining site surface yield.

The high flow capacity and modular cartridge design means the ATLAN Filter system can be effectively deployed in a variety of structures including manholes, precast vaults, or cast-in-place structures.

**Figure 5.1: ATLAN Filter cartridge filter**

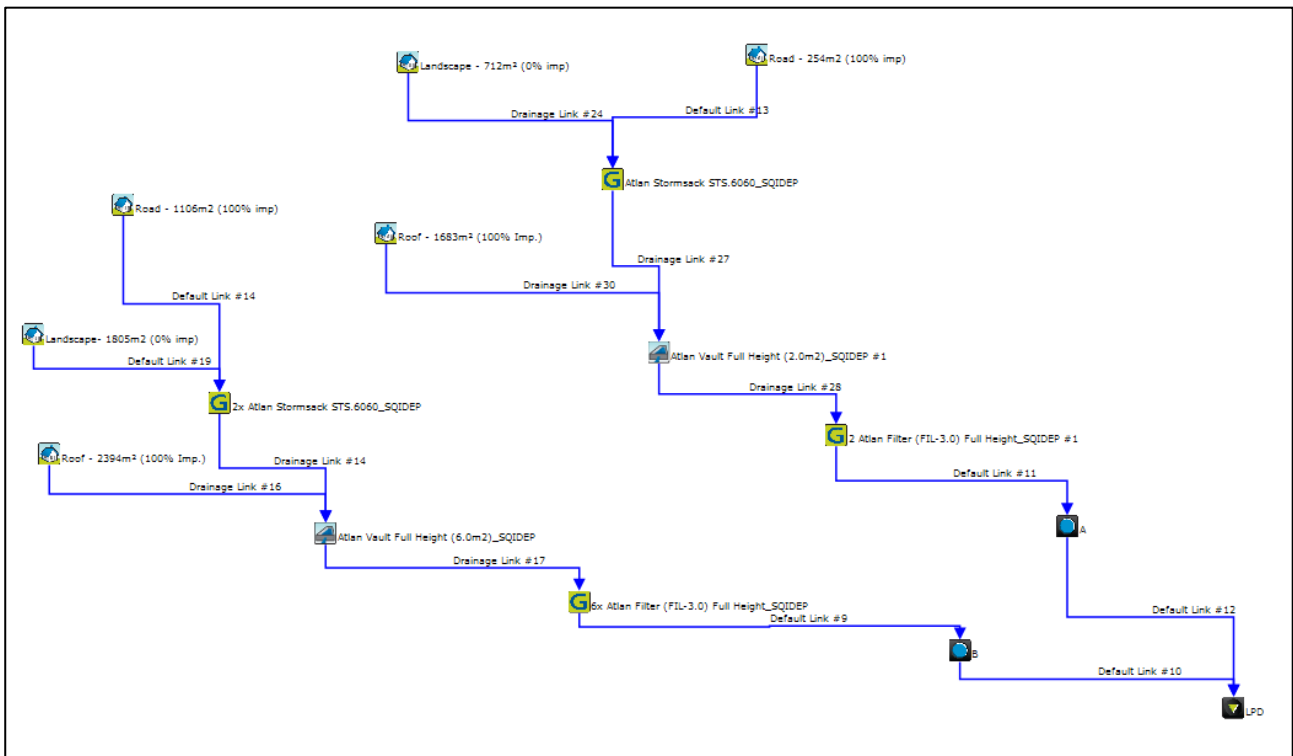
The ATLAN Treatment Train system has proven compliance with the Queensland Water by Design Music Modelling Guidelines requirements (2010). The total requirement for treatment devices for the subject site is presented in Table 5.6 below.

Table 5.6: Catchment Treatment Train Requirements

Device Type	Number of Devices
ATLAN Filter Cartridges (Full Height)	8
ATLAN Stormsack Baskets	3

5.2.8 MUSIC Model Diagrams

A diagrammatic layout of the MUSIC model interface used to model the proposed development with the proposed treatment systems, is presented in Figure 5.2 below.

**Figure 5.2: MUSIC Model**

5.2.9 MUSIC Model Results

MUSIC was used to model the treatment train effectiveness in terms of the percentage of pollutants being removed from the system using the proposed treatment devices.

The results of the MUSIC modelling compared to the stated Water Quality Objectives (WQO's) are presented below.

Table 5.7: MUSIC Modelling Results

Potential Pollutant	Target WQO's (%)	MUSIC Results (%)
Total Suspended Solids (kg/yr)	80	80.23
Total Phosphorus (kg/yr)	60	70.97
Total Nitrogen (kg/yr)	45	52.07
Gross Pollutants (kg/yr)	90	100

The results indicate that the proposed treatment devices are efficient in achieving the water quality objectives and exceeds the minimum required pollutant reduction targets.

5.3 Stormwater Quantity

Although the proposed development results in an increase in impervious coverage for the site, according to the Civil Engineering Report (Rev 02, 14/11/2024, Approval no.: Dev2024/1524), conducted by ADG Engineers (Aust) Pty Ltd, states that according to the stormwater catchment calculations (provided to them by SMEC Australia Pty Ltd), the two existing stormwater connections for the site (Site 17.2) have been designed to have capacity for a fully developed site (with an impervious area of 86%). ADG's Civil Engineering Report concluded that detention is therefore not required for this site.

The Civil Engineering Report (Rev 03, 27/03/2025, Approval no.: DEV2024/1573), conducted by Meliora Consulting Engineers, for the neighbouring site (Site 17) also concluded that because the development proposes to discharge to the existing drainage stubs around the edges of the site, which have sufficient hydraulic capacity to cater for the post-development site flows from each catchment, no detention is required.

Site 17.2 is also in the lower 1/3 of the catchment and only approximately 250m from the Brisbane River so detention is deemed unnecessary.

6 Stormwater Drainage

There are two existing stormwater manholes on site; one in the northwestern corner and one in the southwestern corner of the site. The northwestern manhole connects to an existing gully pit in Barcham Road via an existing 375mm diameter stormwater pipe. The southwestern manhole connects to an existing gully pit in Karakul Road via an existing 600mm diameter stormwater pipe.

In the developed case, it is proposed that the development site will discharge to both existing manholes. The treatment tanks will be installed over the existing onsite stormwater pipes downstream of the manholes.

The proposed stormwater drainage arrangement for the development is shown in the Engineering Drawings attached as Appendix C.

7 Water and Sewer

7.2 Sewer Connection

There is an existing 275mm diameter GPR sewer main and manhole in MacArthur Avenue. The existing 250mm diameter sewer property connection at the northern boundary will be retained. Refer to the Engineering Drawings in Appendix C.

7.3 Water Connection

There are two existing water mains adjacent to the site; a 180mm diameter PE main in Barcham Road and a 150mm diameter uPVC in MacArthur Avenue. There are two existing 20mm diameter water property connections which will be removed at completion of construction. Three new water property connections will be constructed from the existing main in MacArthur Avenue, with exact size/meter arrangement to be confirmed in Detailed Design by the Hydraulic Engineer. Refer to the Engineering Drawings in Appendix C.

8 Earthworks

The earthworks associated with the proposed development will predominantly involve the construction of the access driveway, general lot shaping and servicing the site. Refer to the Engineering Drawings in Appendix C.

The development is shown as being impacted by the 'potential and actual acid sulfate soils' overlay, according to BCC's City Plan 2014 interactive map.

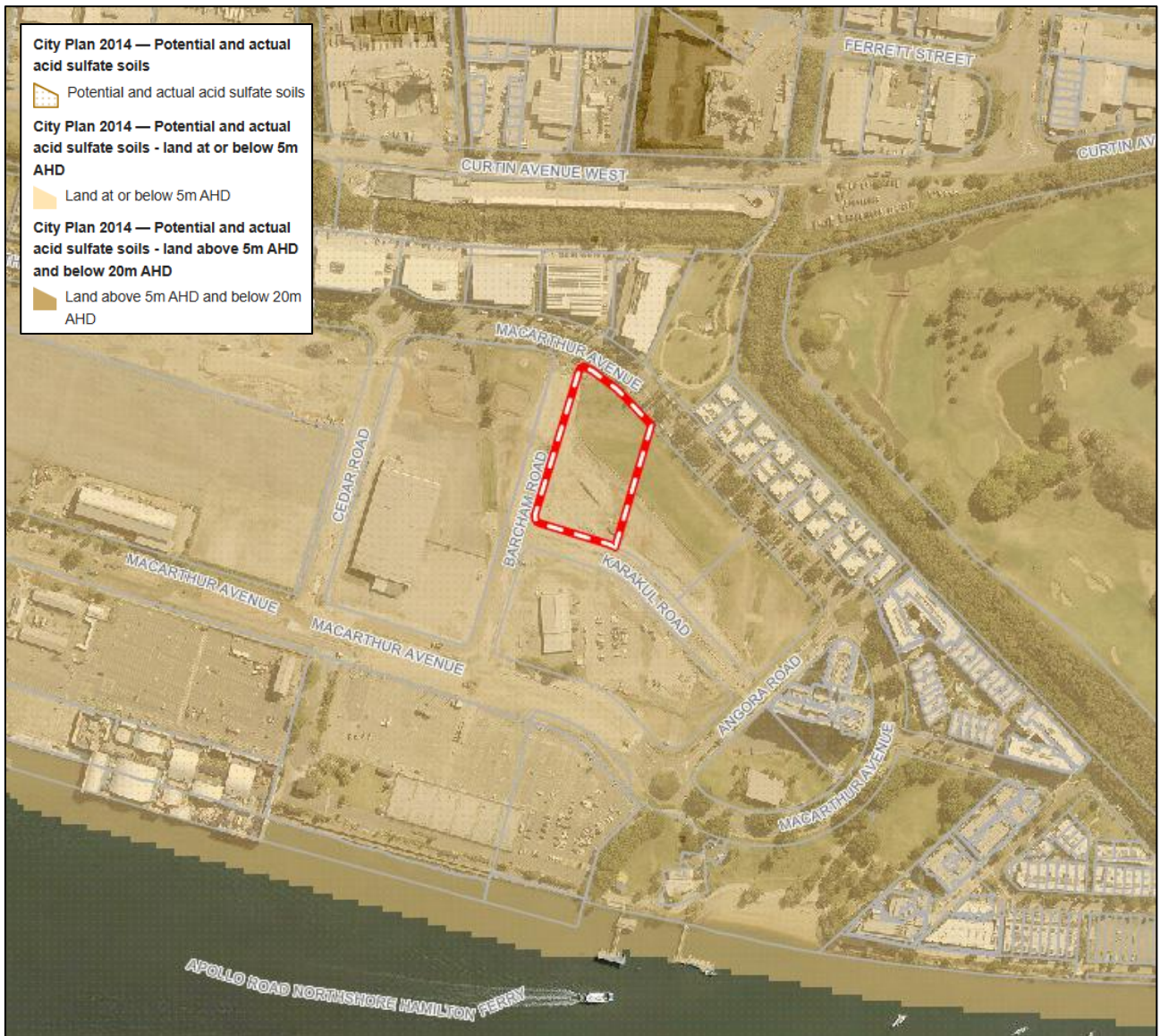


Figure 8.1: Acid Sulfate Soils Overlay Map (OM14)

A site-specific Acid Sulfate Soils assessment may therefore be required for this site. This is to be prepared by a suitably qualified geotechnical engineer.

9 Conceptual Erosion and Sediment Control Plan

9.2 Introduction

During construction, it shall be the responsibility of the Principal Contractor to ensure that the development complies with the relevant erosion and sediment control objectives, as outlined in the State Planning Policy and the Brisbane Planning Scheme.

This section of the report provides suggested inclusions in an erosion and sediment control plan for the proposed development site. This plan includes recommendations for monitoring & reporting responsibilities and the construction of site-specific sedimentation and erosion control measures. Detailed drawings specifying the proposed erosion and sediment control measures are to be provided at the Operational Works stage of the development.

9.3 General Erosion and Sediment Control Measures

It shall be the responsibility of the Principal Contractor to ensure the following erosion and sediment control measures are implemented on site:

- Clean stormwater runoff from upstream allotments is to be directed away from the development site using earth bunds or cut-off drains, as deemed appropriate by a suitable supervisor;
- The prevention of sediment runoff towards other allotments via the effective implementation of silt fences or other mitigation devices as deemed appropriate by a suitable supervisor;
- Sediment runoff shall also be prevented from entering the Council stormwater drainage system via the implementation of control measures such as gully pit sediment barriers;
- Erosion shakedown points shall be established at all vehicular access points, with shakedown areas regularly swept clean and sediment removed; and
- Erosion and sediment control measures are not to be removed from the development site until the site is completely rehabilitated and the surface is capable of resisting erosion.

9.4 Spoil and Stockpile Management Measures

It shall be the responsibility of the Principal Contractor to ensure the following spoil and stockpile management measures are implemented on site:

- Where the stockpiling of spoil and excess earthworks is necessary on the development site, stockpiles shall be established as far away as possible from stormwater inlets and pipelines to reduce the likelihood of sediment runoff; and
- Stockpiles are to be established within a designated zone of fill material and should be surrounded with appropriate erosion and sediment control measures.

9.5 Training Requirements

It shall be the responsibility of the Principal Contractor to ensure the following training protocols are implemented on the development site:

Site induction courses shall include details of an environmental management reporting system, through which personnel will be able to report perceived erosion and sediment control issues on site.

10 Summary

This study has reviewed the proposed development of two residential apartment buildings at Site 17.2, 17 Karakul Road, Hamilton, and its engineering constraints and serviceability requirements. The development proposal allows the site to be sufficiently serviced by existing road and utility infrastructure as well as new connections.

Based on this study the following conclusions have been drawn:

- On-site detention is not required for the site; and
- A stormwater quality system of 8 cartridge ATLAN Filters and 3 ATLAN Stormsacks are to be installed to treat flows generated from the proposed development site.
- The proposed civil design meets the serviceability requirements for the site.

This report is compliant with EDQ's Northshore Hamilton Priority Development Area Development Scheme Amendment, November 2025 as well as BCC's City Plan 2014, version 21, codes and the State Planning Policy.

11 Appendices

Appendix A – Survey

Appendix B – Architectural Plans

DEVELOPMENT SUMMARY

AREA SUMMARY	
SITE AREA	7980
GFA ABOVE GROUND	17643
PLOT RATIO	2.21
TOTAL NSA	16049
TOTAL APARTMENTS	166
TOTAL INDOOR AMENITIES	381
TOTAL OUTDOOR AMENITIES	2182
TOTAL CARSPACES	262
TOTAL BIKE SPACES	172

		AREA PER LEVEL			TOWER 1			TOWER 2			TOTAL APARTMENTS				RECREATION & AMENITIES		CIRCULATION	SERVICE / PLANT / STORE	CARPARKING		BICYCLE	
LEVEL	TYPE	Gross Floor Area (GFA)	Net Sellable Area (NSA)	PRIVATE OPEN SPACE (POS)	1B	2B	3B	1B	2B	3B	1B	2B	3B	TOTAL	Area Internal	Area External			Area	No. of Spaces	Area	No. of Spaces
		sqm	sqm	sqm	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.		sqm	sqm	sqm	sqm	sqm	qty	sqm	qty
Basement 01	CAR PARKING	-	-															266	66569	262		60
Ground Level	RESIDENTIAL / COMMUNUAL	2717	2171	716	1	6	4	1	6	4	2	12	8	22	313	2094	233	241			101.2	112
Level 01	RESIDENTIAL	2464	2313	517	2	4	6	2	4	6	4	8	12	24			151	136				
Level 02	RESIDENTIAL	2464	2313	517	2	4	6	2	4	6	4	8	12	24			151	136				
Level 03	RESIDENTIAL	2464	2313	517	2	4	6	2	4	6	4	8	12	24			151	136				
Level 04	RESIDENTIAL	2464	2313	517	2	4	6	2	4	6	4	8	12	24			151	136				
Level 05	RESIDENTIAL	2464	2313	517	2	4	6	2	4	6	4	8	12	24			151	136				
Level 06	RESIDENTIAL	2464	2313	517	2	4	6	2	4	6	4	8	12	24			151	136				
Rooftop Terrace	PLANT & COMMUNUAL	142													68	88	74			0	0	
Roof	-																0			0	0	
Totals		17643	16049		13	30	40	13	30	40	26	60	80	166	381	2182	1213	1323	66569	262	101.2	172

Mix Breakdown			
1B	2B	3B	TOTAL
26	60	80	166
16%	36%	48%	

* **Gross Floor Area (GFA)** is calculated as per Brisbane City Council (BCC) definition and includes internally enclosed spaces such as circulation spaces, apartment areas and common areas including recreation spaces. Calculation excludes landscaped planters, balconies, vertical services and circulation including lift cores and stair wells. Also excluded are basement areas located below natural ground line and areas on grade for the purposes of manoeuvring and parking vehicles, plant and mechanical areas

***Plot ratio** - Ratio of the gross floor area of a building on a site to the area of the site.
Where the development includes dedication of land for a new roadway, the site area for calculating the plot ratio does not include the land to be dedicated for the new roadway.

Outdoor Amenities - Includes Landscaping and Courtyard

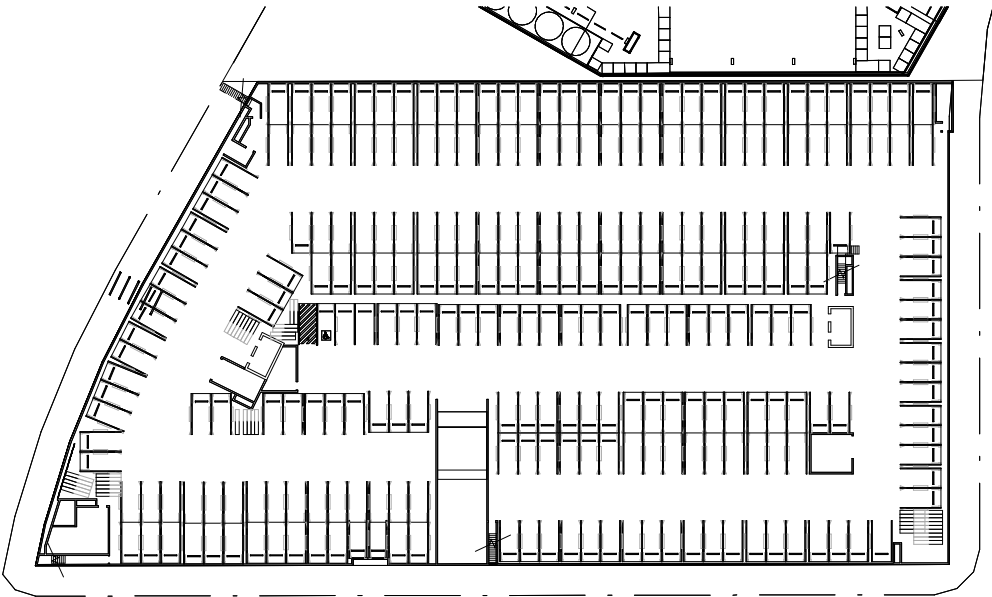
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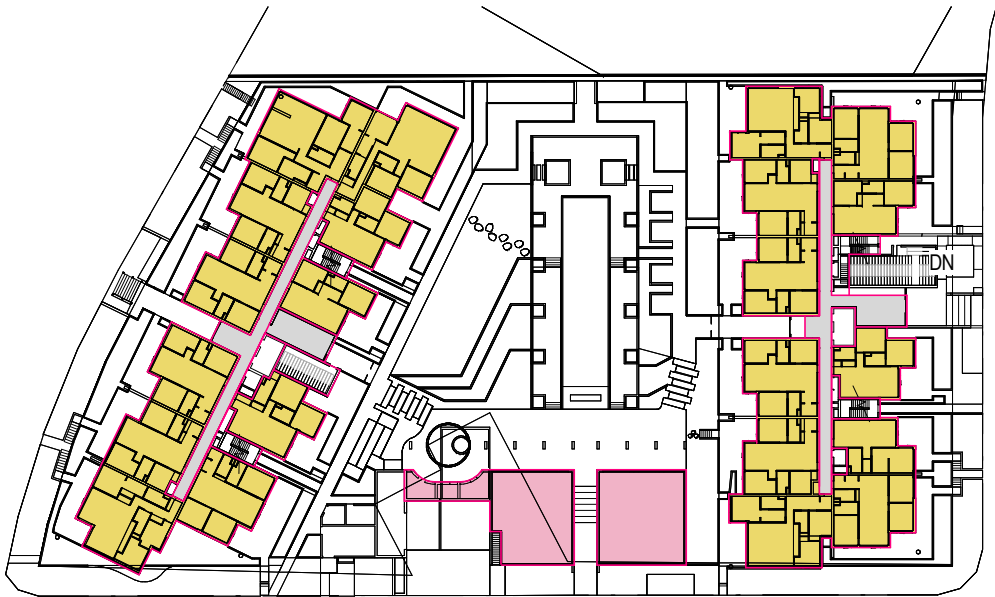
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GFA PLAN - BASEMENT 01

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GFA PLAN - GROUND LEVEL

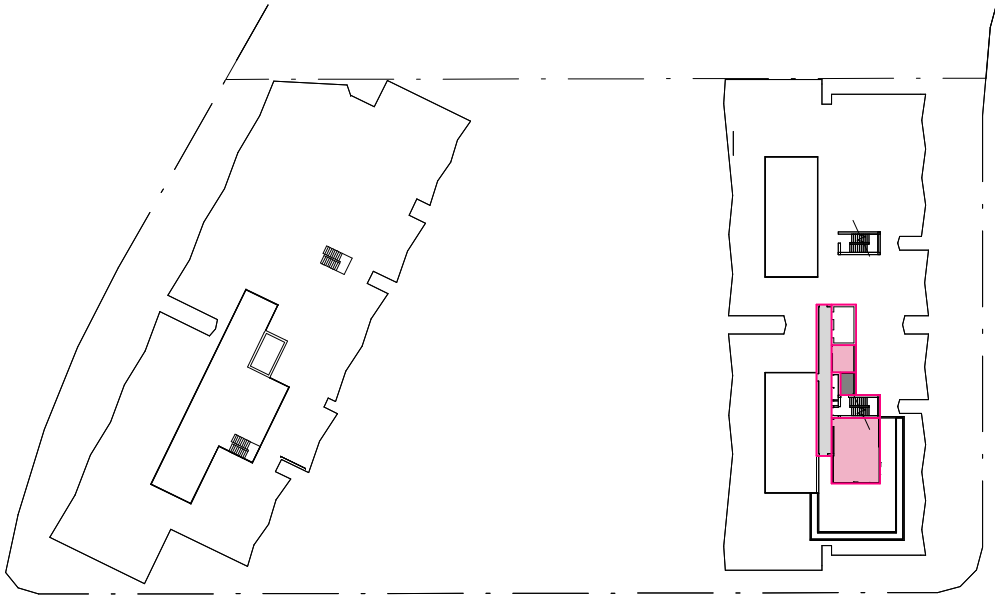
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GFA PLAN - LEVEL 01-06

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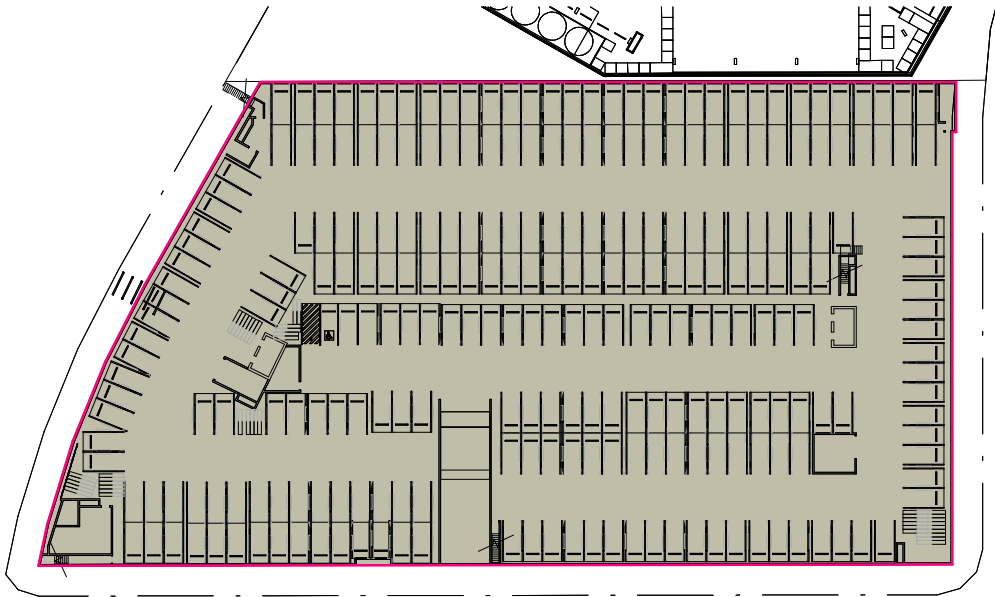
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GFA PLAN - ROOFTOP

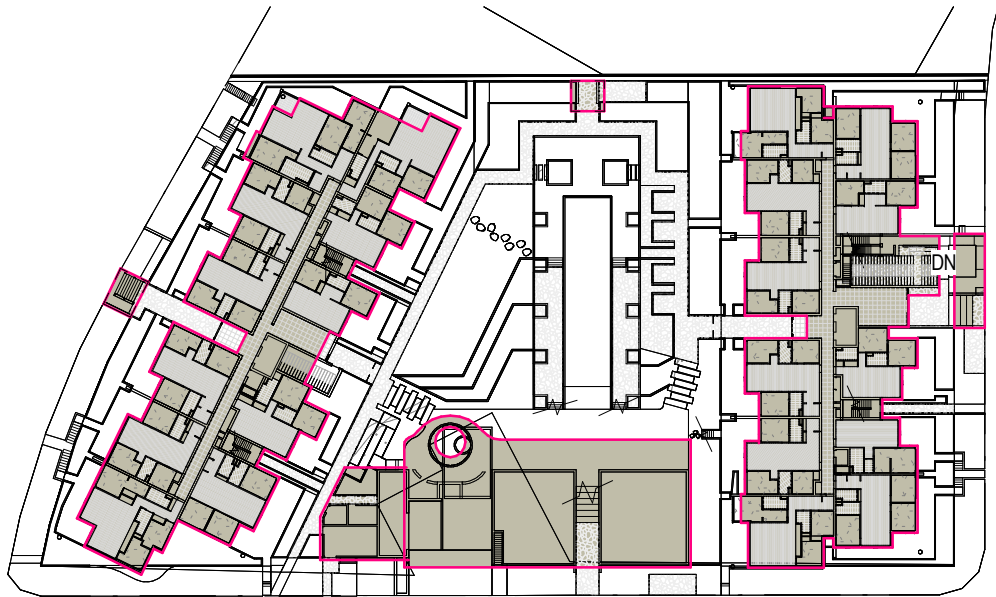
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AREA PLANS - SITE COVER



1 SITE COVER - BASEMENT 01
SCALE 1 : 1000 @ A3



2 SITE COVER - GROUND LEVEL
SCALE 1 : 1000 @ A3



3 SITE COVER - LEVEL 01-06
SCALE 1 : 1000 @ A3



4 SITE COVER - ROOFTOP
SCALE 1 : 1000 @ A3

SITE COVER - BASEMENT		
SITE AREA REMAINING	1056.2 m ²	13%
SITE COVER	6923.6 m ²	87%

SITE COVER - GROUND		
SITE AREA REMAINING	4495.6 m ²	56%
SITE COVER	3471.7 m ²	44%

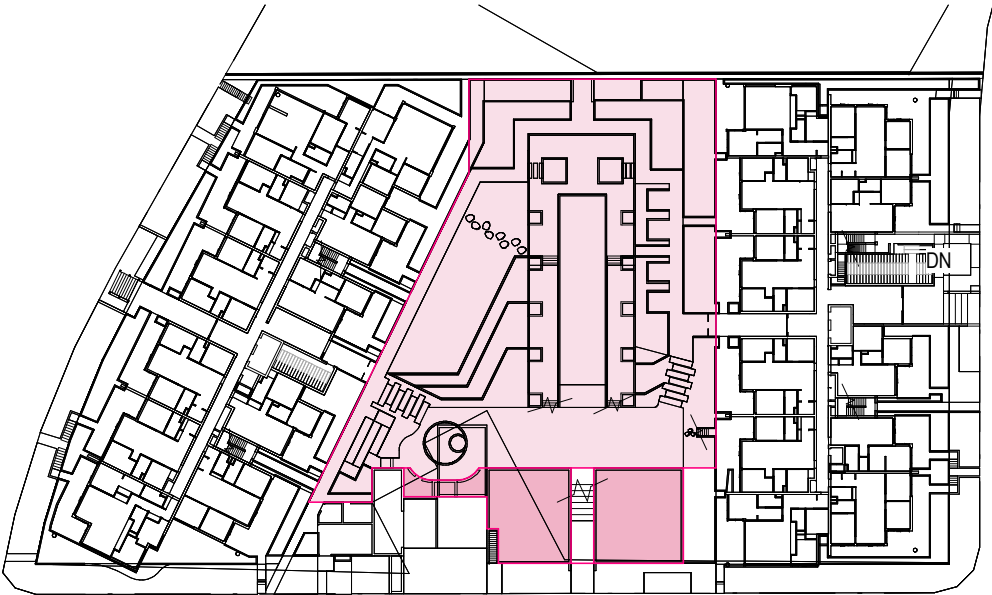
SITE COVER - LEVEL 01-06		
SITE AREA REMAINING	4774.7 m ²	60%
SITE COVER	3205.1 m ²	40%

SITE COVER - ROOFTOP		
SITE AREA REMAINING	7355.9 m ²	92%
SITE COVER	624.0 m ²	8%

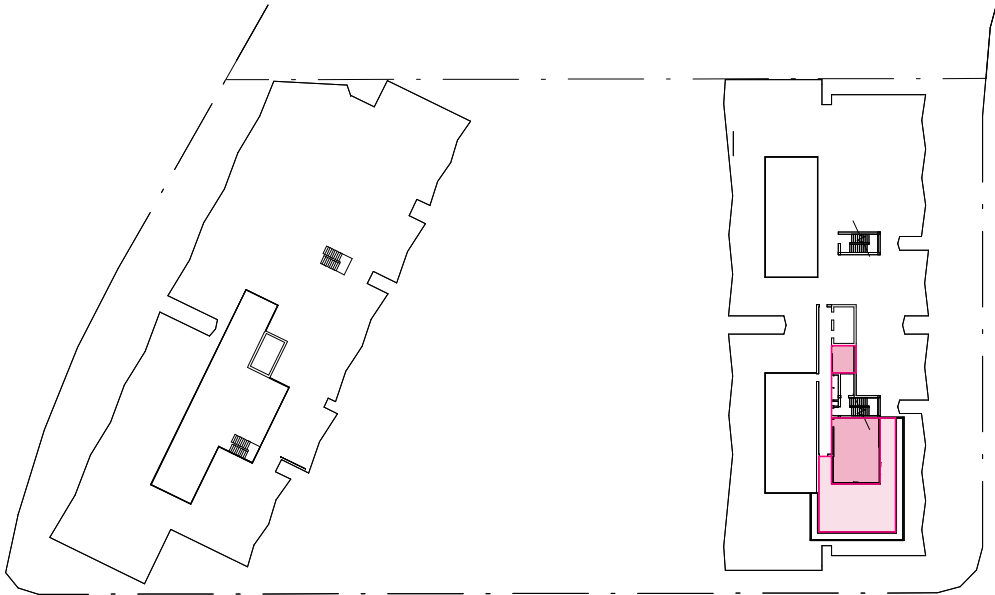


AREA PLANS - COMMUNAL SPACE

COMMUNAL SPACE		
GROUND LEVEL	COMMUNAL EXTERNAL	2093.6 m²
GROUND LEVEL	COMMUNAL INTERNAL	312.8 m²
ROOF - T1	COMMUNAL EXTERNAL	88.1 m²
ROOF - T1	COMMUNAL INTERNAL	67.9 m²
		2562.3 m²



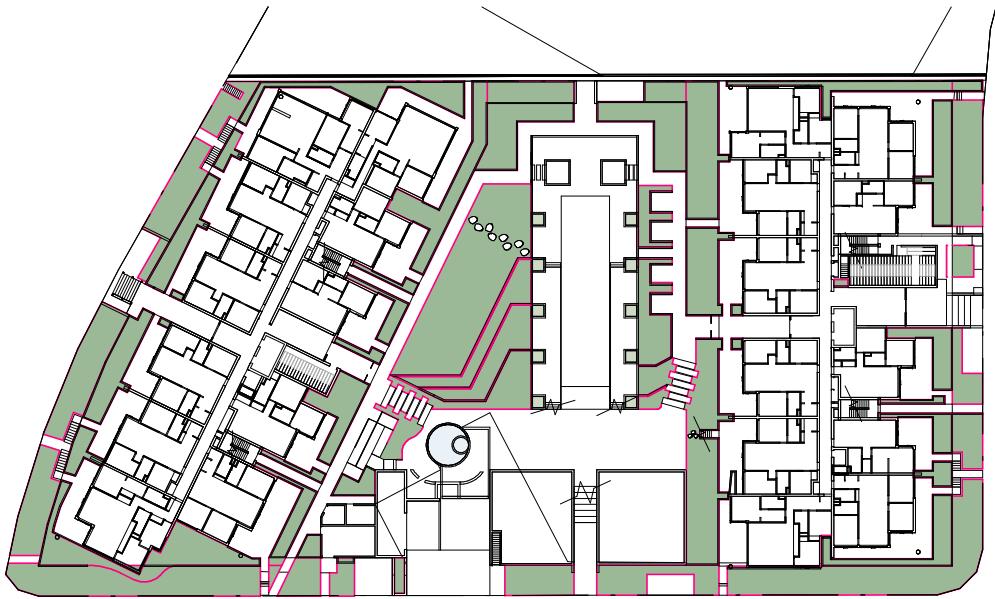
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2 COMMUNAL OPEN SPACE - ROOFTOP
SCALE 1 : 1000 @ A3



AREA PLANS - LANDSCAPE



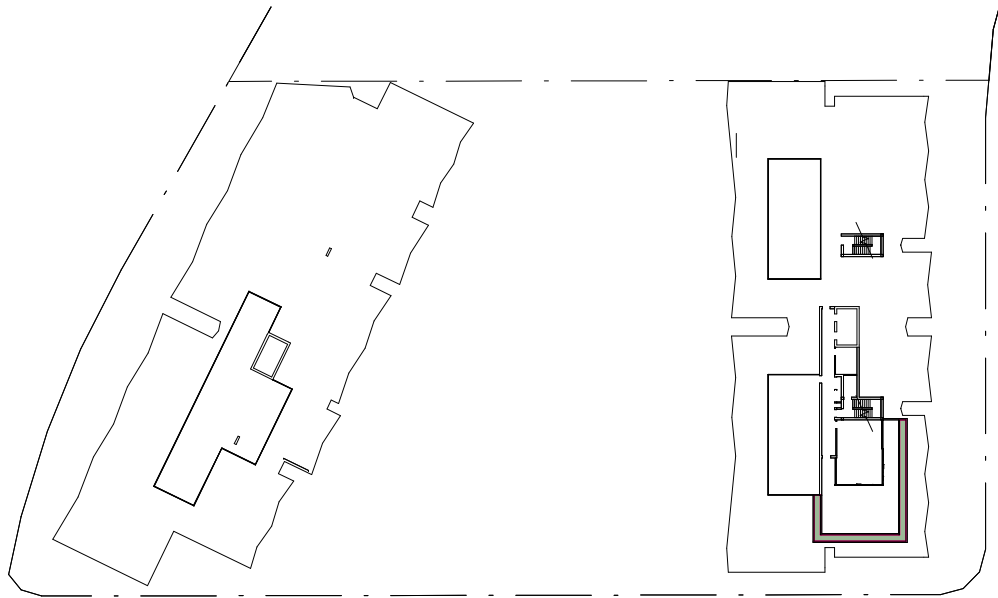
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SCALE 1 : 1000 @ A3



3 LANDSCAPE - LEVEL 02-06
SCALE 1 : 1000 @ A3



4 LANDSCAPE - ROOFTOP
SCALE 1 : 1000 @ A3

LANDSCAPE AREA	
GROUND LEVEL	2477.0 m ²
LEVEL 01	699.4 m ²
LEVEL 02	67.4 m ²
LEVEL 03	67.4 m ²
LEVEL 04	67.4 m ²
LEVEL 05	67.4 m ²
LEVEL 06	67.4 m ²
ROOF - T1	27.7 m ²
3541.1 m ²	



FLOOR PLANS - BASEMENT

CAR SCHEDULE

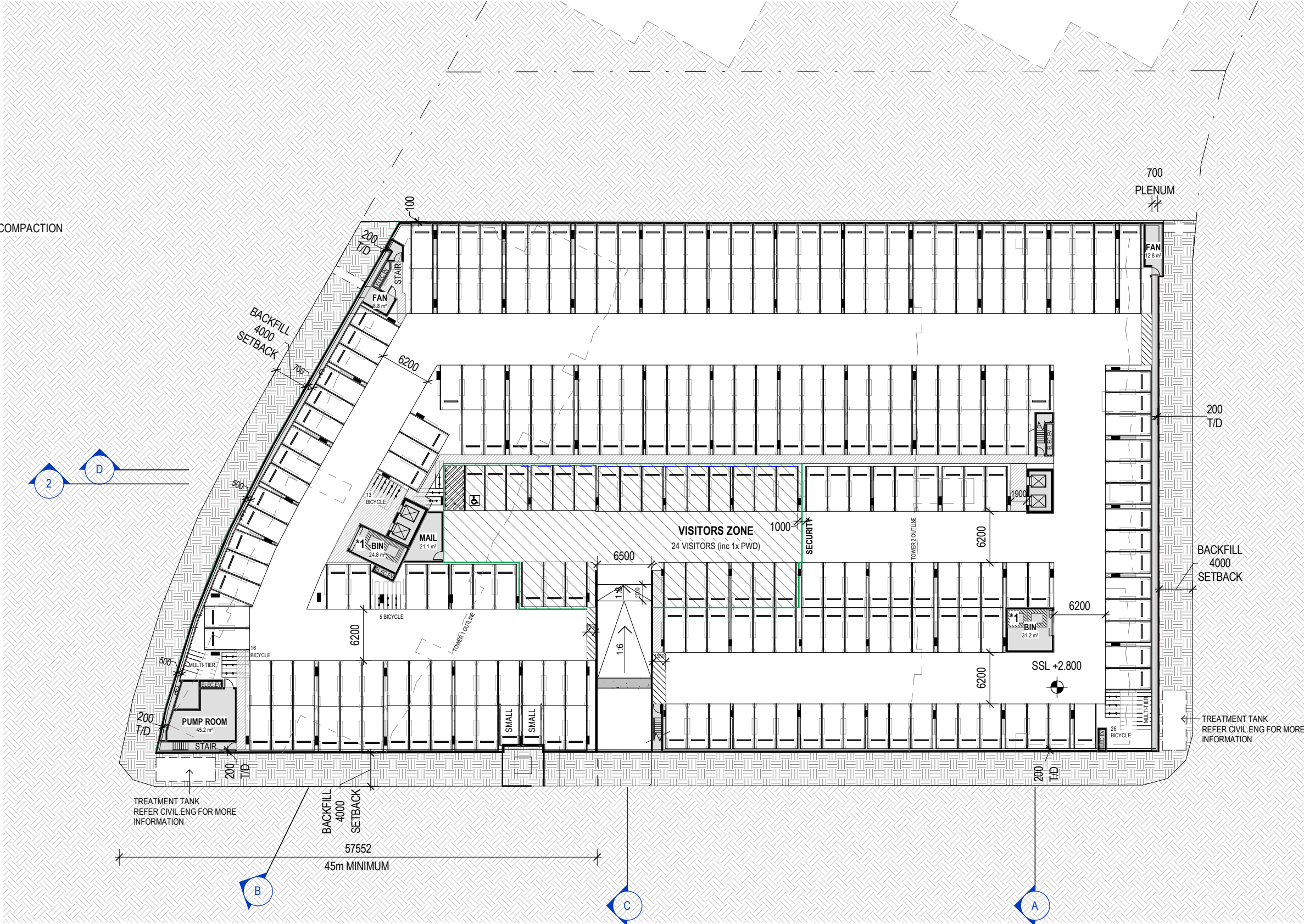
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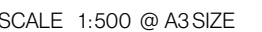
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STANDARD | = 96
SMALL CAR | = 2

GRAND TOTAL | = 262

NOTE:
*1 = "DUAL REFUCE CHUTE 3:1 COMPACTION TO GENERAL WASTE ONLY"





FLOOR PLANS - LEVEL 01

MEANJIN | LOT 17 STREET NAME, HAMILTON, QLD 4007

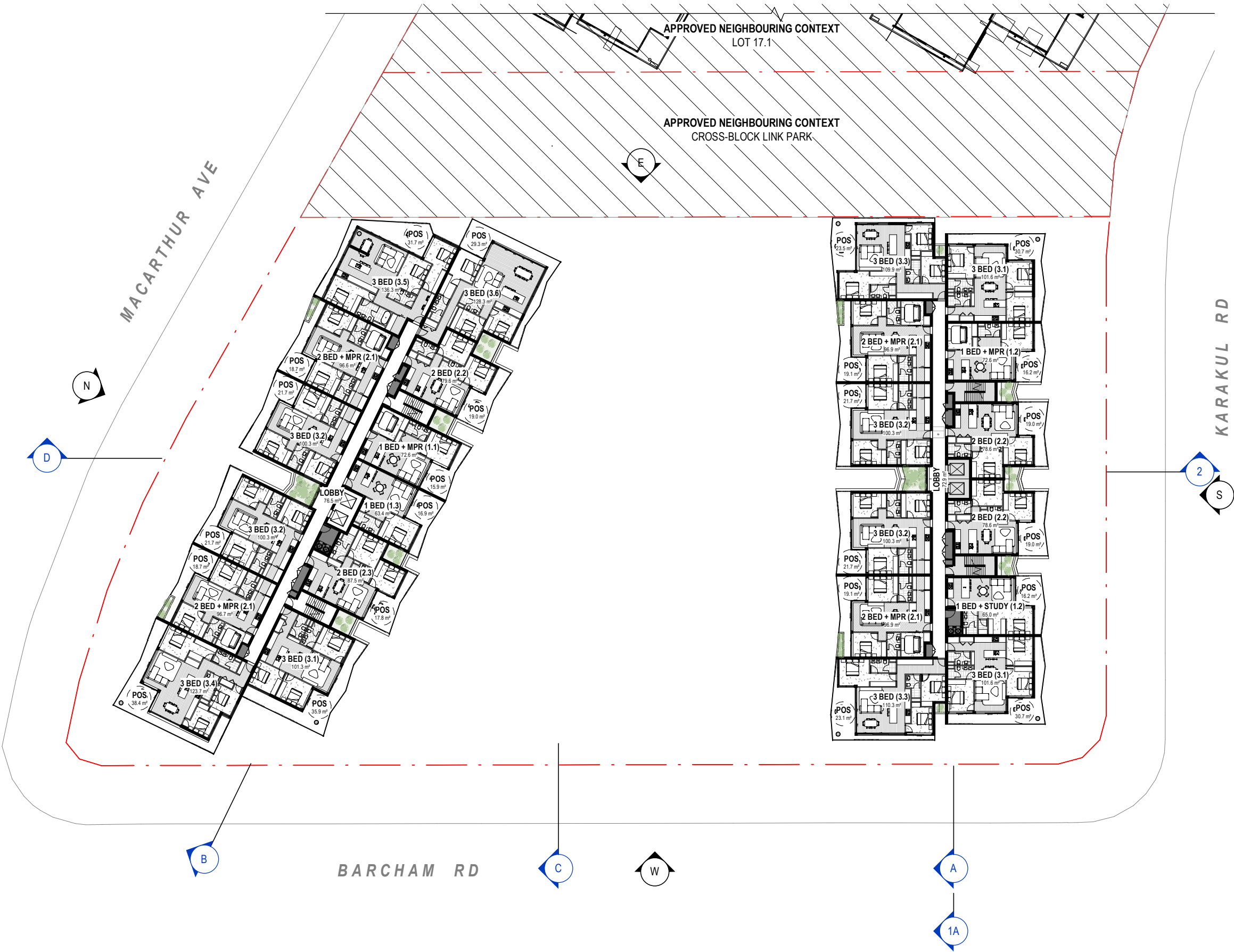
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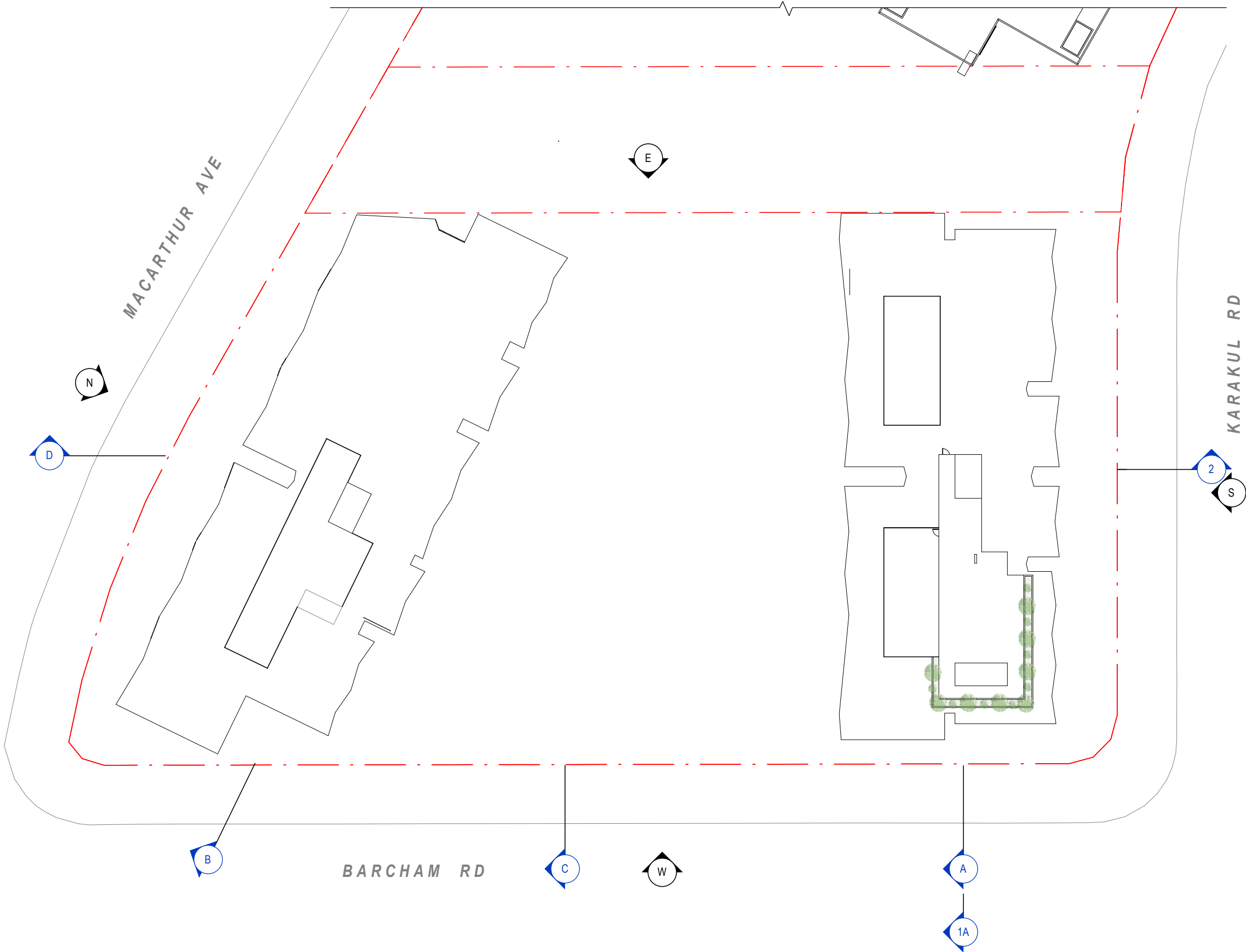
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FLOOR PLANS - ROOFTOP



FLOOR PLANS - ROOF

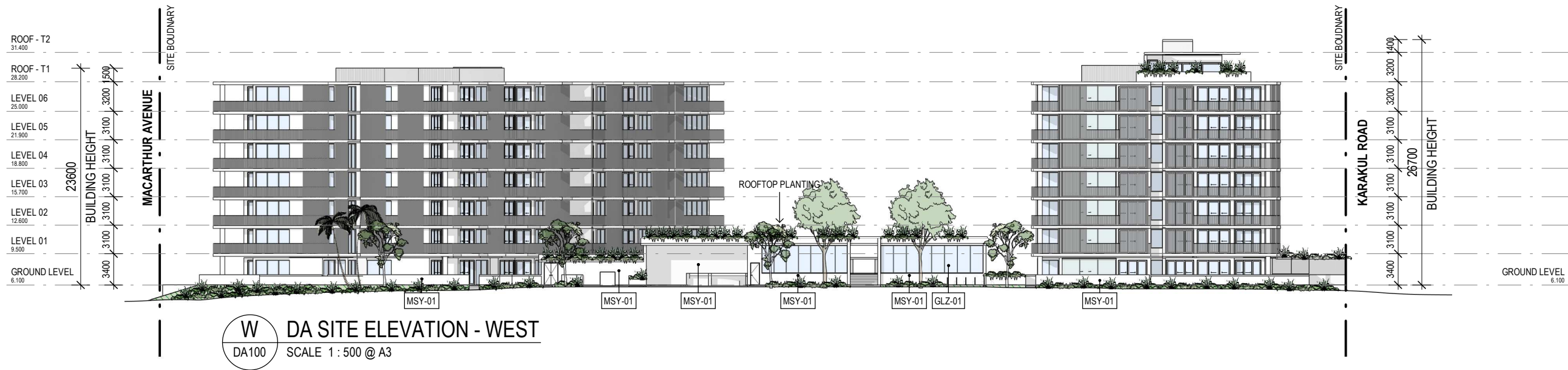


SITE ELEVATION - NORTH + WEST

LEGEND

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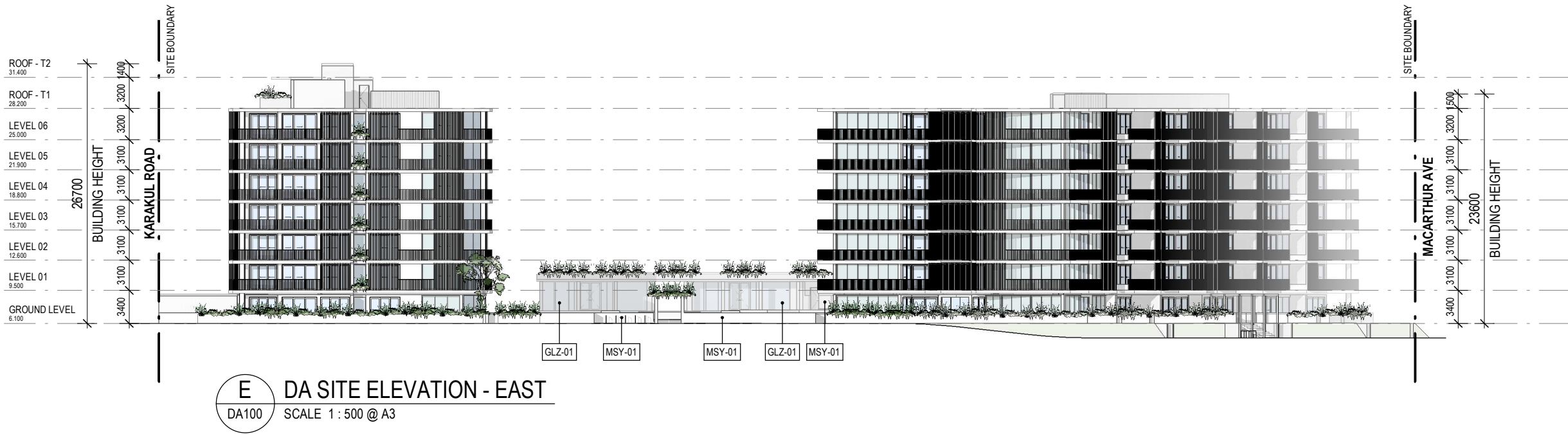
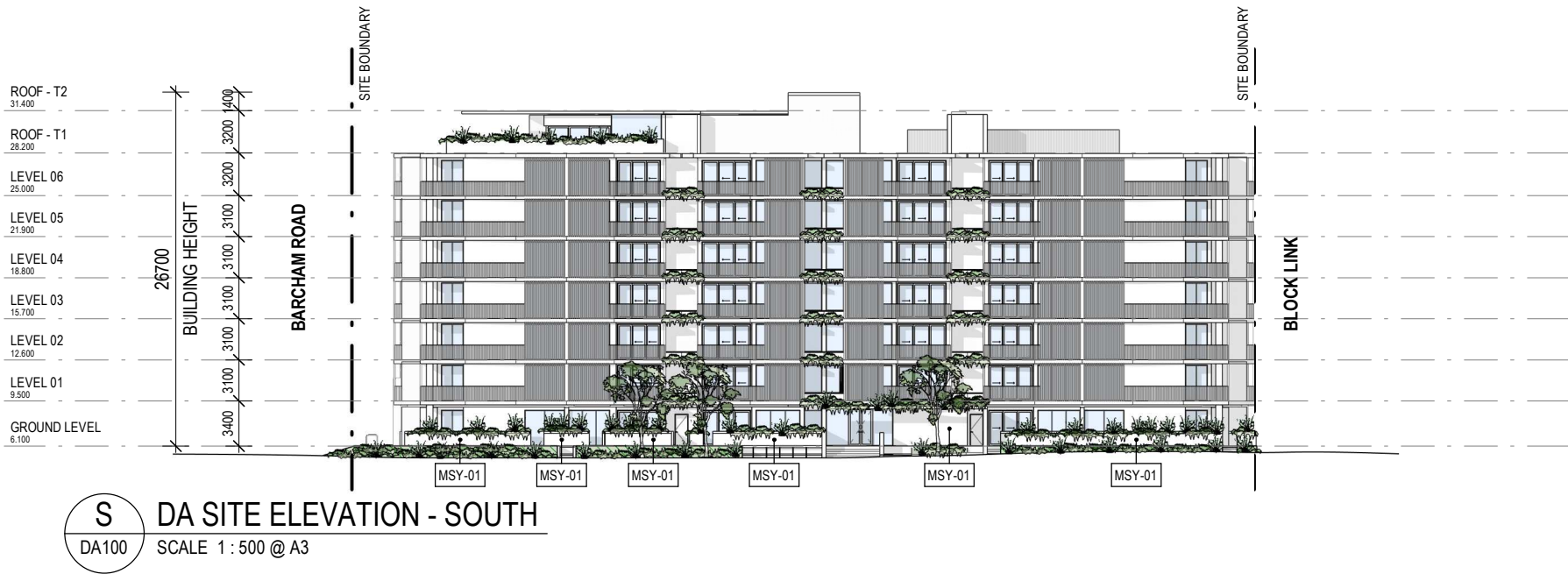


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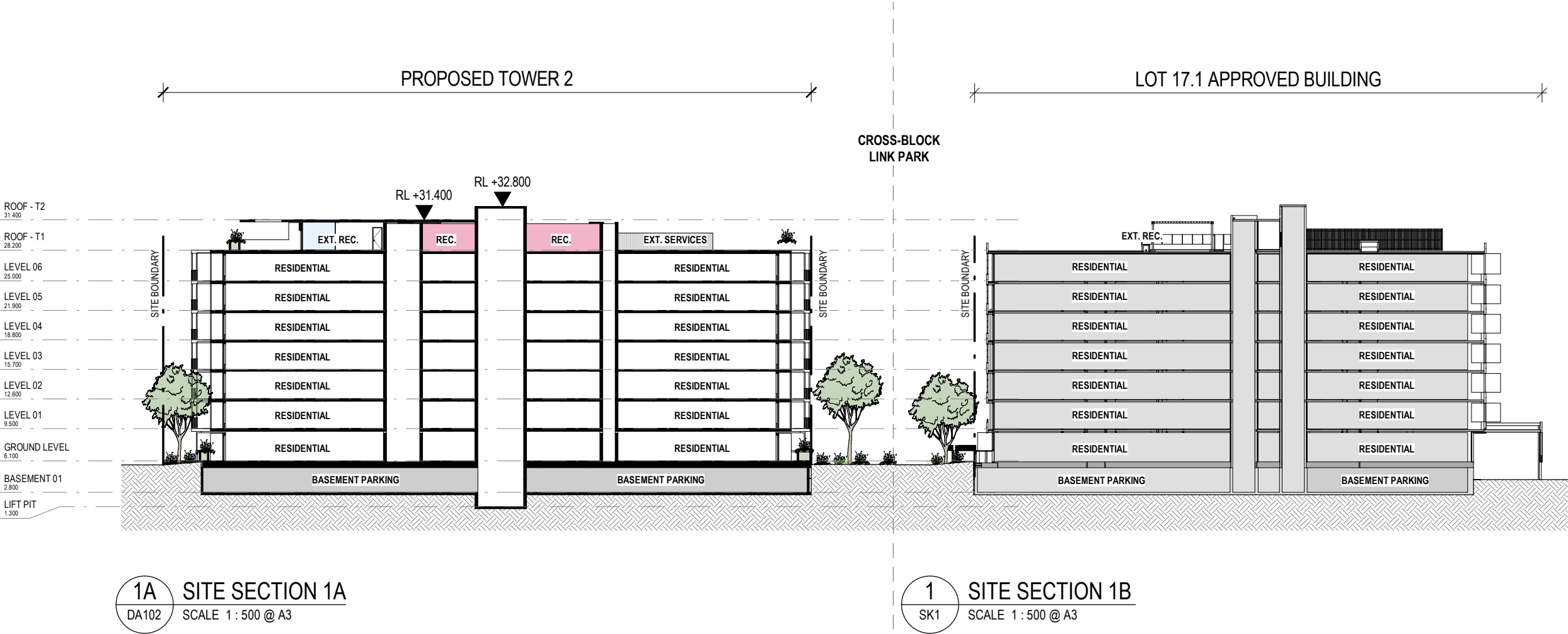
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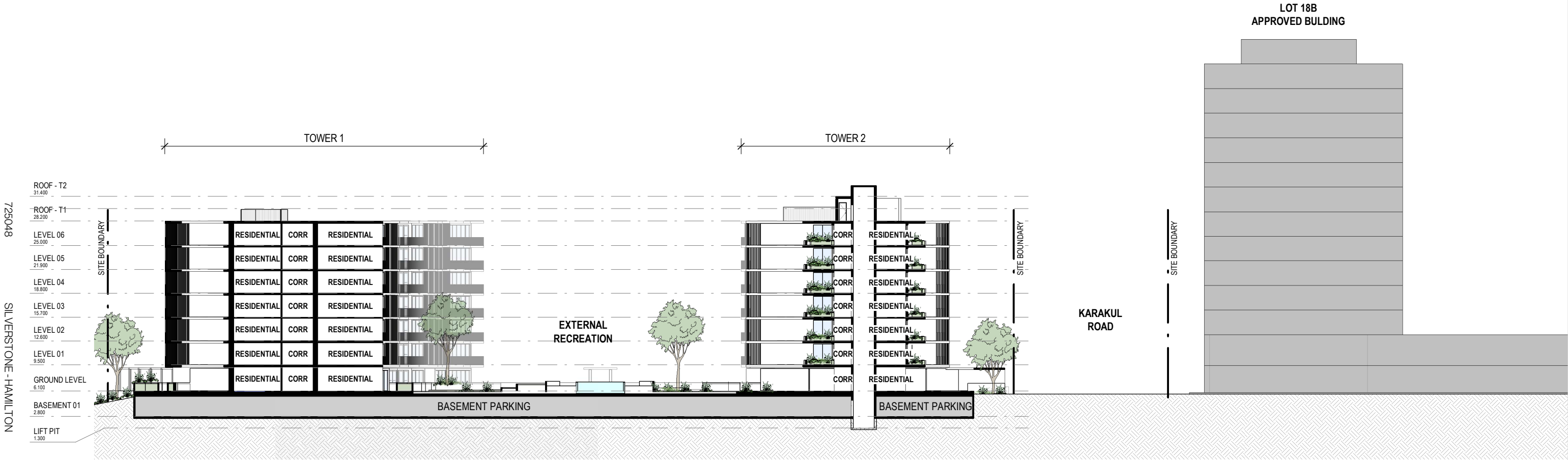
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SITE SECTION 1



SITE SECTION 2



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BUILDING ELEVATION - TOWER 01 - NORTH

LEGEND

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SCALE 1 : 200 @ A3

BUILDING ELEVATION - TOWER 01 - WEST

LEGEND

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BUILDING ELEVATION - TOWER 01 - SOUTH

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BUILDING ELEVATION - TOWER 01 - EAST

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BUILDING ELEVATION - TOWER 02 - NORTH

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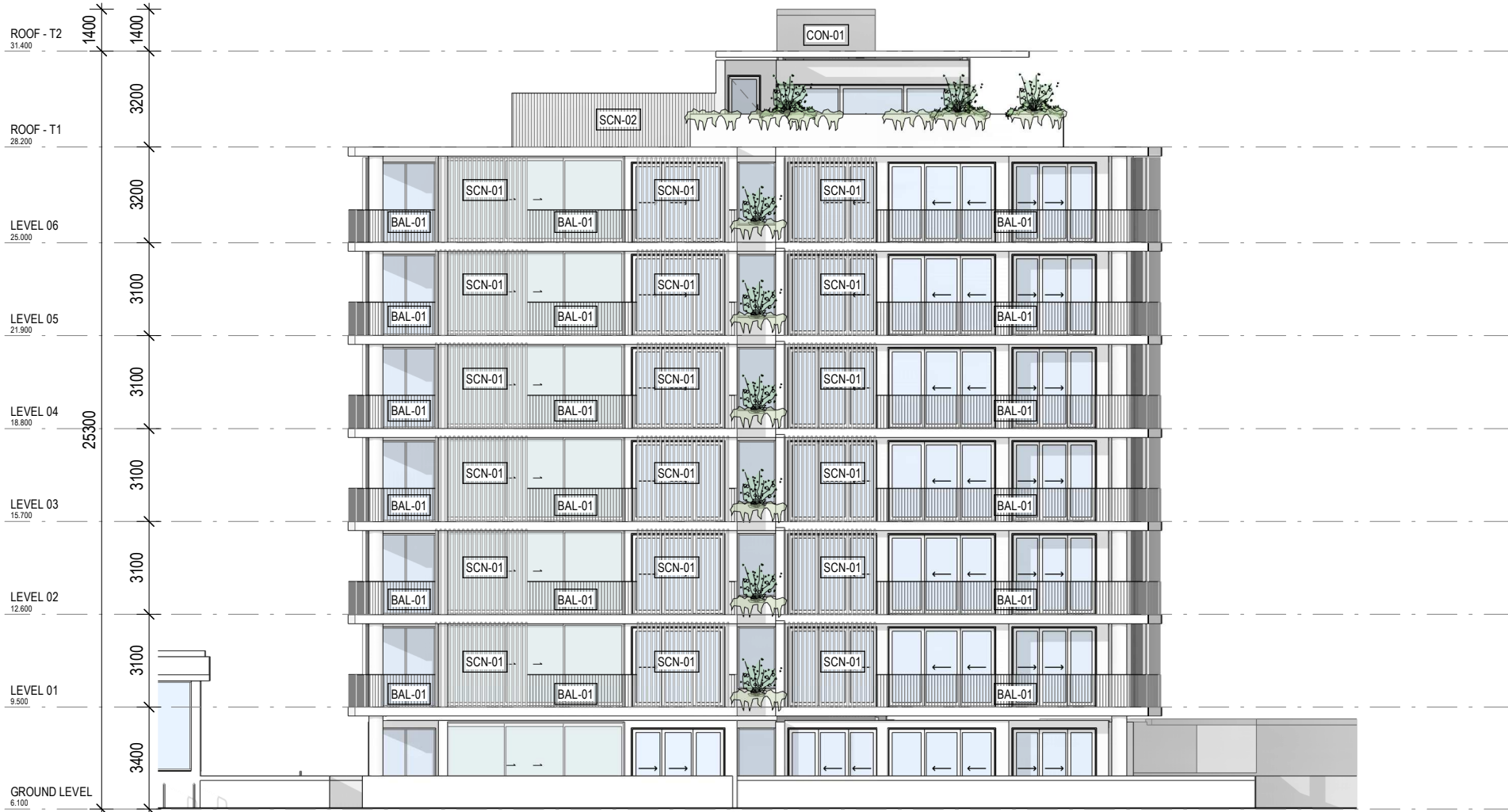
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BUILDING ELEVATION - TOWER 02 - SOUTH

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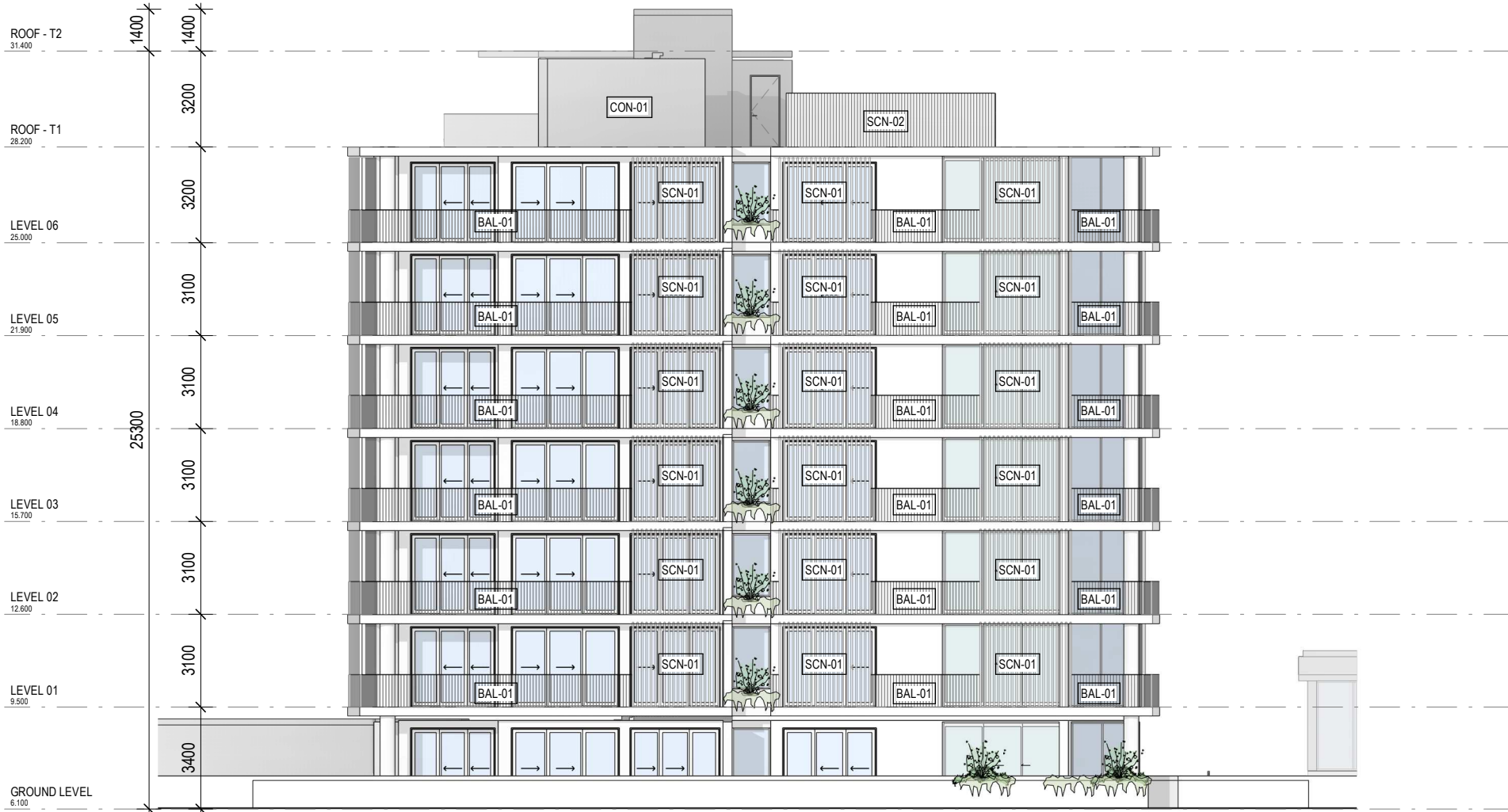
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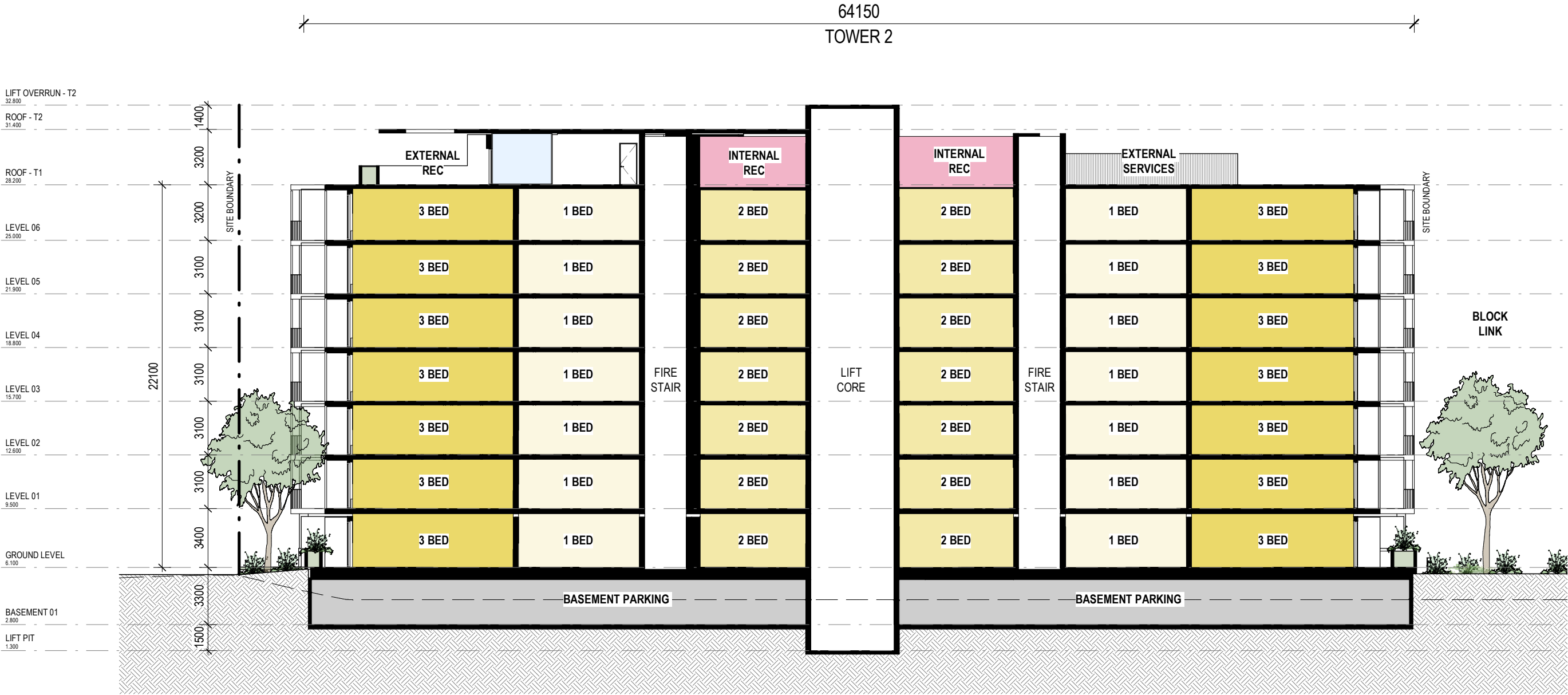
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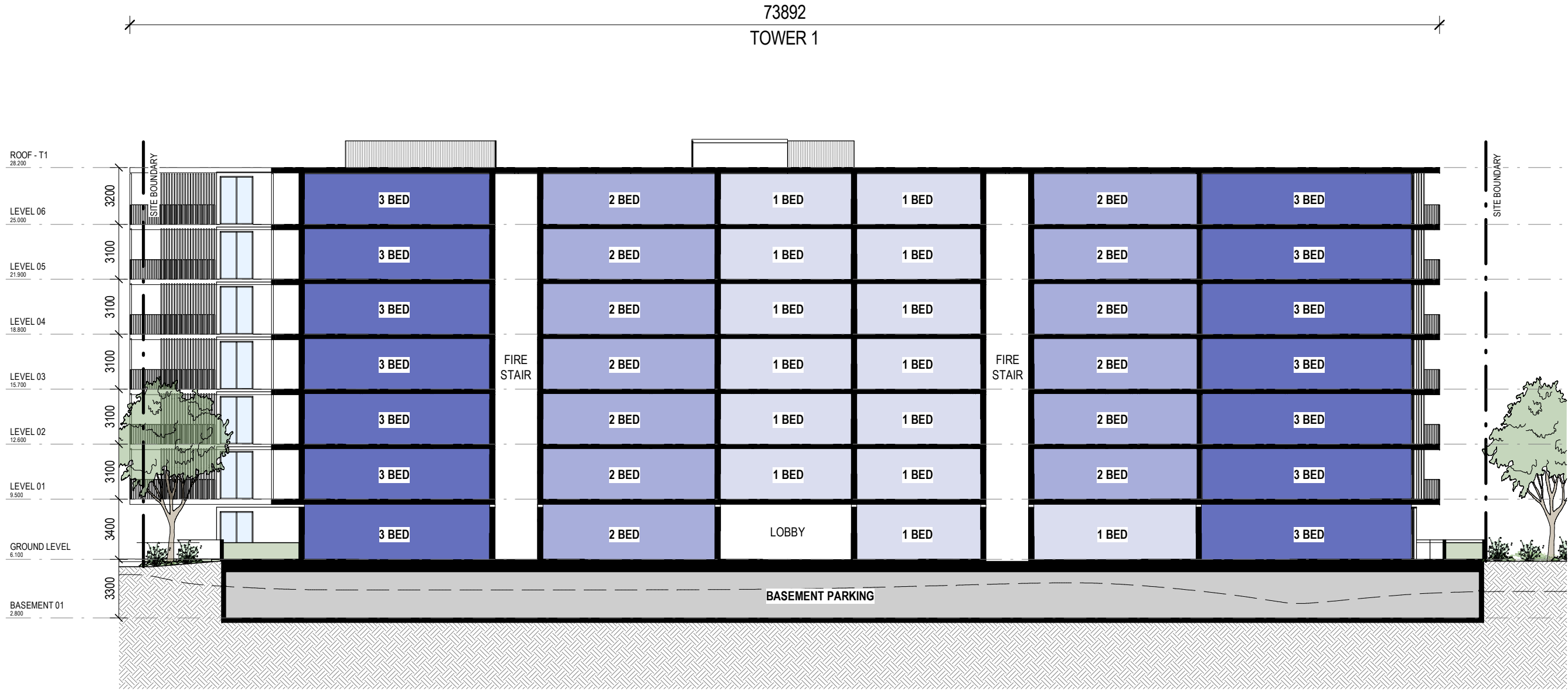


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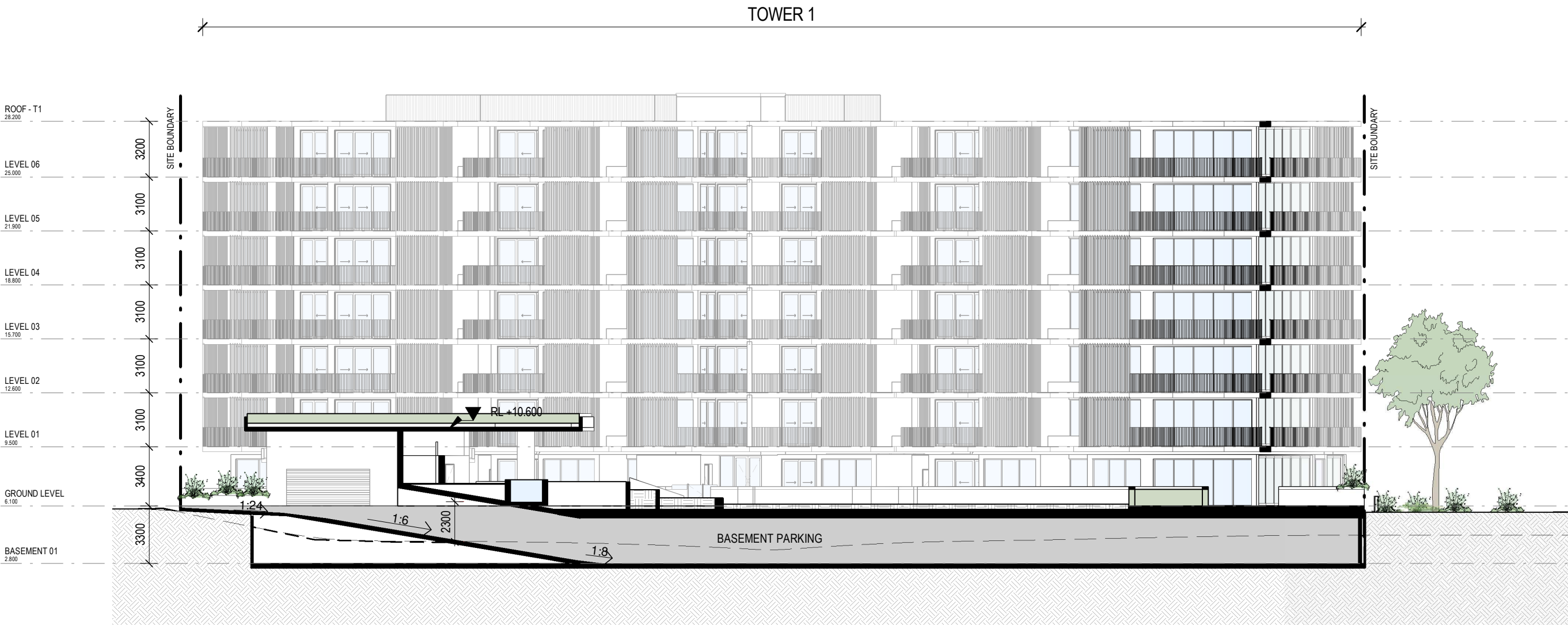
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MATERIAL SCHEDULE



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BAL-01



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SCN-02

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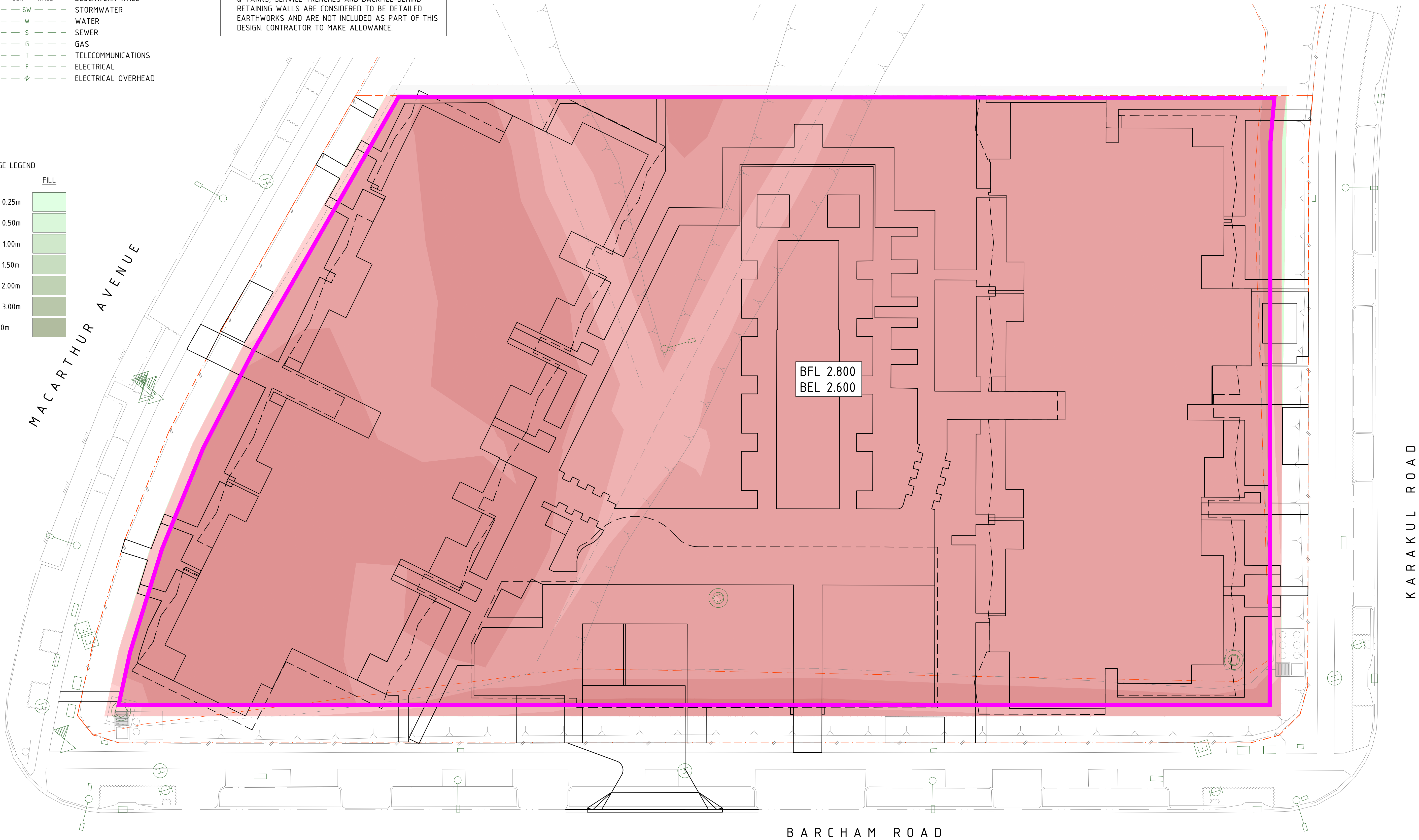
Appendix C – Civil Drawings

PROPOSED	EXISTING	
		PROPERTY BOUNDARY
		MINOR CONTOUR
		MAJOR CONTOUR
		BUILDING
		CONCRETE
		BATTER TOP
		BATTER TOE
		SWALE
		BLOCKWORK WALL
		STORMWATER
		WATER
		SEWER
		GAS
		TELECOMMUNICATIONS
		ELECTRICAL
		ELECTRICAL OVERHEAD

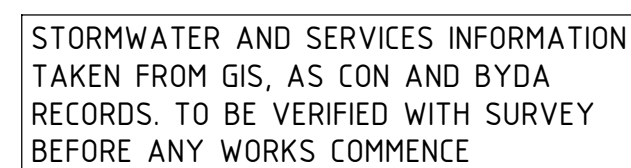
EARTHWORKS VOLUMES

- 100mm STRIP (NOM.) = 735m³
CUT = 9.519m³
FILL = 2.5m³
NOTE:
• EARTHWORK VOLUMES HAVE BEEN CALCULATED BETWEEN STRIPPED SURFACE AND DESIGN SURFACE MINUS 200mm.
• EARTHWORKS CONTOURS SHOWN ARE 200mm BELOW DESIGN SURFACE.
• EXCAVATION FOR FOOTINGS, BEAMS, STORMWATER PITS & TANKS, SERVICE TRENCHES AND BACKFILL BEHIND RETAINING WALLS ARE CONSIDERED TO BE DETAILED EARTHWORKS AND ARE NOT INCLUDED AS PART OF THIS DESIGN. CONTRACTOR TO MAKE ALLOWANCE.

DEPTH RANGE LEGEND	
CUT	FILL
0.00m - 0.25m	
0.25m - 0.50m	
0.50m - 1.00m	
1.00m - 1.50m	
1.50m - 2.00m	
2.00m - 3.00m	
> 3.00m	



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Appendix D – BYDA

[Review responses online](#) ↗



Received 6 of 6 responses
All responses received

280 Macarthur Avenue, Hamilton QLD 4007

Job dates
27/11/2025 → 27/11/2025

These plans expire on
25 Dec 2025

Lodged by
Matthew Sauer

Authority	Status	Page
 BYDA Confirmation		2
 APA Group Gas Networks (70710)	Received	4
 Brisbane City Council	Received	56
 Energex QLD	Received	61
 NBN Co Qld	Received	103
 Queensland Urban Utilities	Received	115
 Telstra QLD South East	Received	122

Contact Details

Contact	Contact number	Company	Enquirer ID
Matthew Sauer	0488 444 758	-	3050461
Email	Address		
msauer@edgece.com	28 Balaclava Street Woolloongabba QLD 4102		

Job Site and Enquiry Details

WARNING: The map below only displays the location of the proposed job site and does not display any asset owners' pipe or cables. The area highlighted has been used only to identify the participating asset owners, who will send information to you directly.

Enquiry date	Start date	End date	On behalf of	Job purpose	Locations	Onsite activities
27/11/2025	27/11/2025	27/11/2025	Private	Excavation	Both Road, Nature Strip, Footpath	Mechanical Excavation



Check that the location of the job site is correct. If not, you must submit a new enquiry.

If the scope of works change or plan validity dates expire, you must submit a new enquiry.

Do NOT dig without plans. Safe excavation is your responsibility. If you don't understand the plans or how to proceed safely, please contact the relevant asset owners.

User Reference	Address	Notes/description
Hamilton Site 17.2	280 Macarthur Avenue Hamilton QLD 4007	-

Your Responsibility and Duty of Care

- Lodging an enquiry does not authorise project commencement.** Before starting work, you must obtain all necessary information from all affected asset owners.
- If you don't receive plans within 2 business days, contact the asset owner & quote their sequence number.
- Always follow the 5Ps of Safe Excavation (page 2), and locate assets before commencing work.
- Ensure you comply with State legislative requirements for Duty of Care and safe digging.
- If you damage an underground asset, you MUST advise the asset owner immediately.
- By using the BYDA service, you agree to the [Privacy Policy](#) and [Term of Use](#).
- For more information on safe digging practices, visit www.byda.com.au

Asset Owner Details

Below is a list of asset owners with underground infrastructure in and around your job site. It is your responsibility to identify the presence of these assets. Plans issued by Members are indicative only unless specified otherwise. Note: not all asset owners are registered with BYDA. You must contact asset owners not listed here directly.

Referral ID (Seq. no)	Authority Name	Phone	Status
264869633	APA Group Gas Networks (70710)	1800 085 628	NOTIFIED
264869630	Brisbane City Council	(07) 3403 8888	NOTIFIED
264869632	Energex QLD	13 12 53	NOTIFIED
264869629	NBN Co Qld	1800 687 626	NOTIFIED
264869631	Queensland Urban Utilities	13 26 57	NOTIFIED
264869634	Telstra QLD South East	1800 653 935	NOTIFIED

END OF UTILITIES LIST



Plan

Plan your job. Use the BYDA service at least one day before your job is due to begin, and ensure you have the correct plans and information required to carry out a safe project.



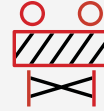
Prepare

Prepare by communicating with asset owners if you need assistance. Look for clues onsite. Engage a skilled Locator.



Pothole

Potholing is physically sighting the asset by hand digging or hydro vacuum extraction.



Protect

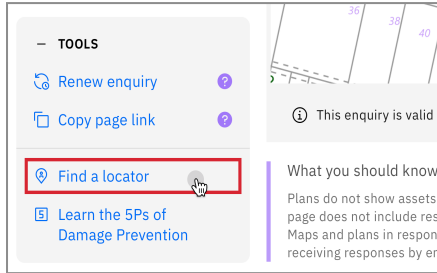
Protecting and supporting the exposed infrastructure is the responsibility of the excavator. Always erect safety barriers in areas of risk and enforce exclusion zones.



Proceed

Only proceed with your excavation work after planning, preparing, potholing (unless prohibited), and having protective measures in place.

Engage a skilled Locator



When you lodge an enquiry you will see skilled Locators to contact

Visit the Certified Locator website directly and search for a locator near you

certloc.com.au/locators

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GET QUOTE

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Book a FREE BYDA Session



BYDA offers free training sessions to suit you and your organisation's needs covering safe work practices when working near essential infrastructure assets. The free sessions are offered in two different formats - online and face-to-face.

To book a session, visit:
byda.com.au/contact/education-awareness-enquiry-form

BOOK NOW

APA Group Gas Networks (70710)

Referral
264869633

Member Phone
1800 085 628

Responses from this member

Response received Thu 27 Nov 2025 10.22am

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BYDA_APA@apa.com.au

Enquiry Details:

Impact	affected
Sequence Number	264869633
Enquirer Id	3050461
Activity	Mechanical Excavation
Job Number	51805876
User Reference	Hamilton Site 17.2
Message	

Site Details:

Address	280 Macarthur Avenue Hamilton QLD 4007
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Enquirers Details:

Contact	Matthew Sauer
Company	
Email	msauer@edgece.com
Phone	+61488444758
Address	28 Balaclava Street Woolloongabba QLD 4102

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Classification: Networks

Enquiry date	27/11/2025
Sequence number	264869633
Work site address	280 Macarthur Avenue Hamilton QLD 4007





For your immediate information

**THERE IS A GAS PIPELINE OR INFRASTRUCTURE ASSETS
(GAS ASSETS)**

located in close vicinity to your works.

Enquiry Date: 27/11/2025
Enquirer: Matthew Sauer
Sequence Number: 264869633
Work Site Address: 280 Macarthur Avenue
Hamilton
QLD 4007

Thank you for your Before You Dig enquiry regarding the location of gas assets.

We confirm there are Gas Assets located in close vicinity of the above location.

Caution: Damage to gas assets may result in explosion, fire and personal injury.

Please ensure you read all the relevant information contained in this response to your BYDA enquiry including reviewing the **APA Guidelines for Works Near Existing Gas Assets** and clearly understand and comply with all requirements relating to your scope of work.

If you have any queries relating to this information, or you are unable to comply with requirements of the APA Guidelines for Works Near Existing Gas Assets contact the APA Before You Dig Officer

- Phone 1800 085 628
- Email BYDA_APA@apa.com.au

for clarification before proceeding with any work.

Before You Dig Checklist



1. Plan

- Review maps provided with this BYDA response and confirm the location of your work site is correct.
 - Review the **APA Guidelines for Works Near Existing Gas Assets** and clearly understand requirements relating to my scope of work.
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2. Prepare

- Electronically locate gas assets and mark locations.
 - Note: Look for visible evidence of gas assets at the worksite which may not be shown on plans.
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3. Pothole

- Physically confirm ('prove') the location of gas assets by potholing by hand excavation or non- destructive vacuum excavation methods in accordance with **APA Guidelines for Works Near Existing Gas Assets**.
 - Road authorities, councils, utilities and their authorised contractors and agents are responsible to pothole or use other suitable methods to verify the location and depth of all gas assets, including gas (inlet) services, prior to commencing any works.
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4. Protect

- Protect gas assets by maintaining clearances whilst excavating and following conditions provided by APA.
 - Where required by APA, only conducting work in proximity to gas assets while Site Watch is on site.
 - Where applicable, APA Authority To Work permit conditions are clearly understood and complied with.
 - Strap and support exposed mains and inlet services. Cover exposed mains to prevent damage until the excavation can be permanently restored.
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5. Proceed

- Only proceed with your work once you have completed all the planning, preparation, potholing and protection requirements.
 - APA BYDA response (including maps) are on site for reference at all times, and less than 30 days old.
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Contacts

Contacts APA Group	
Enquiry	Contact Numbers
General enquiries or feedback regarding this information or gas assets.	APA – Before You Dig Officer Phone: 1800 085 628 Email: BYDA_APA@apa.com.au
Gas Emergencies	Phone: 1800 GAS LEAK (1800 427 532)

Site Watch

Site Watch is where an APA field officer attends your work site to monitor and ensure controls are in place to protect critical gas assets from damage during work.

The following rates apply for this service (1 hour minimum charge):

Item	Rate (excl. gst)
Site Watch – Business Hours	\$143.42 per hour
Site Watch – After Hours	\$175.06 per hour
Cancellation Fee	\$286.84
<i>Fee applies where cancelations received after 12pm (midday), 1 business day prior to the booking.</i>	

Contact APA – Before You Dig officer for state specific hours of business.

Site 280 Macarthur Avenue
Address: Hamilton
QLD 4007

Sequence 264869633
Number:



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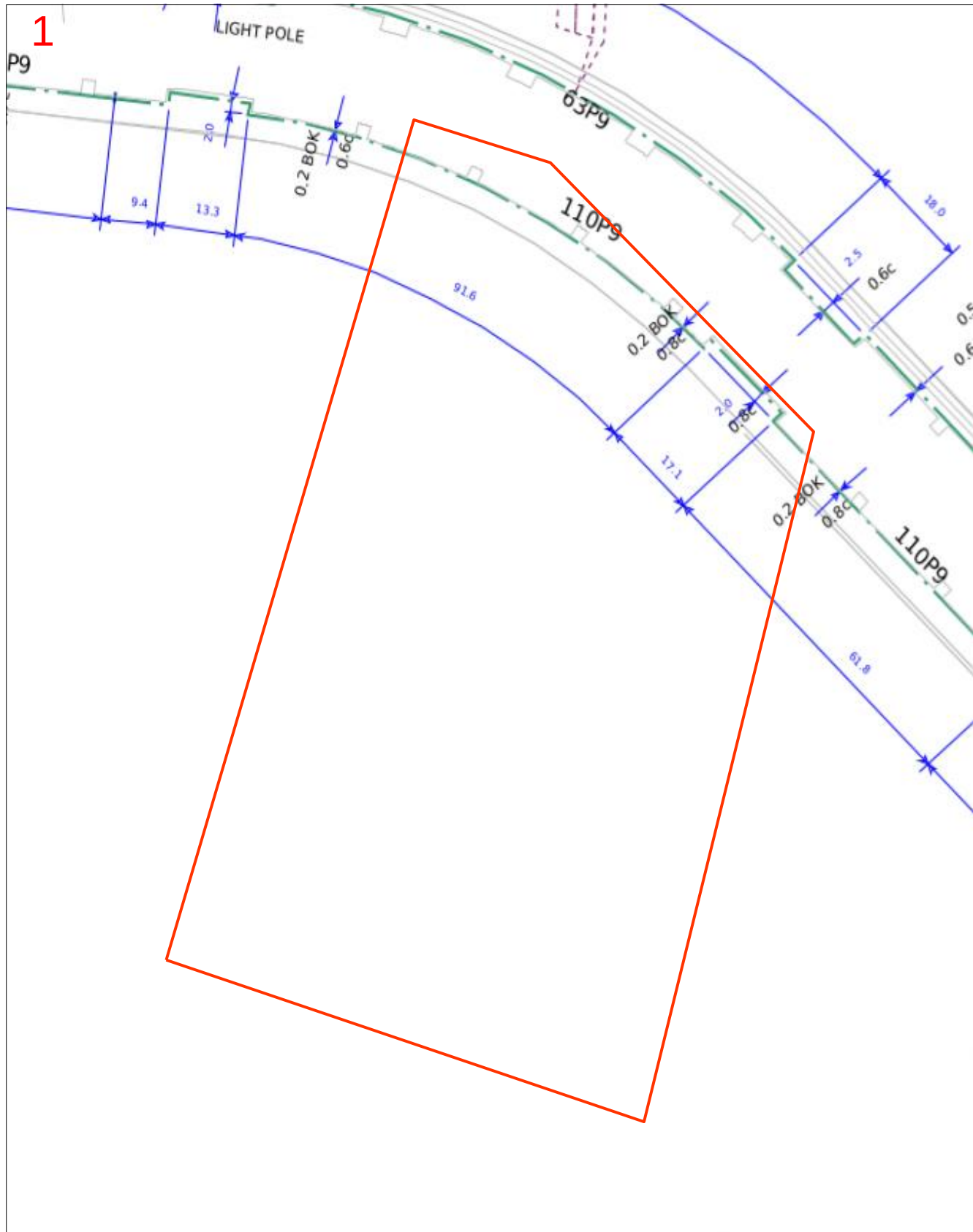
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Enquiry Area

Map Key Area





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Enquiry Area

Map Key Area



Legend

Pipe	Pipe code and material	Object
Low pressure	C* (for example, C2) Cast iron	Valve
Medium pressure	CU Copper	Buried valve
High pressure	N2 Nylon	Regulator
Transmission pressure	P* Polyethylene (PE)	Gas supplied = yes
Critical main (behind pipe)	P3 Polyvinyl chloride (PVC)	CP rectifier terminal
Proposed (pressure by colour)	P6, P7, P9–P12 Medium density PE	CP test station
LPG (pressure by colour)	P2, P4, P8 High density PE	CP anode
Hydrogen blended (pressure by colour)	S* Steel	CP bond wire
Abandoned	W2 Wrought galv iron	Syphon
Idle/inactive	W3 PE coat wrought galv iron	Trace wire point
Sleeve		
Casing (behind pipe)		
Area	Abbreviation	
BYDA area of interest	BoK Back of kerb	FoK Front of kerb
	C Depth of cover	Galv Galvanized
	CP Cathodic protection	NTI Not tied in
Example		
Pipe	Pipe code	
40P6 in 80C2	Pipe diameter in millimetres is shown before pipe code.	This map was created in colour and should be printed in colour
63S8	40P6 = 40 mm nominal diameter	

Important information

- Refer to requirements relating to construction, excavation and other work activities in the **APA Guidelines for Works Near Existing Gas Assets** document with this BYDA response.
- BYDA enquiries are valid for 30 days. If your works commence after 30 days from the date of this response a new enquiry is required to validate location information.
- For some BYDA enquiries, you may receive two (2) responses from APA. Please read both responses carefully as they relate to different assets.
- Gas (inlet) services connecting Gas Assets in the street to the gas meter on the property are not marked on the map. South Australia Only – if a meter box is installed on the property, a sketch of the gas service location may be found inside the gas meter box. APA does not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of these sketches.

Free Gas Pipeline Awareness Training and Information

PROFESSIONALS

APA offers online and in-person toolbox forums to support safe work near underground gas assets. Topics include distribution and transmission pipelines, the permit process, and gas emergencies, with content suited for companies of all sizes. A Continuing Professional Development certificate is available upon completion.

Scan the QR code to register for an online toolbox, or email damageprevention@apa.com.au to request an in-person presentation.

HOMEOWNERS

If you're working near your home's gas pipes stay safe and view APA's video guide '**Working Safely Near Gas Lines: A DIY Homeowner's Guide**' which offers simple tips to avoid damaging gas pipes.

Scan the QR code to view the video, or for more information email damageprevention@apa.com.au



Disclaimer and legal details

- This information is valid for 30 days from the date of this response.
- This information has been generated by an automated system based on the area highlighted in your BYDA request and has not been independently verified.
- Map location information is provided as AS5488-2022 Quality Level D, as such supplied location information is indicative only.
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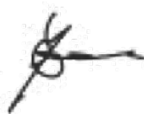




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The purpose of this document is to provide guidelines for third parties planning to install new infrastructure or conduct works near existing APA Networks (**APA**) operated assets.

It is intended that this document will be provided to third parties proposing works around existing gas assets for their use during the design and planning phase following initial planning BYDA enquiries. This document does not provide authorisation to undertake the works but provides APA requirements to ensure that any review and acceptance of proposed works is completed as quickly as possible.

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Scope of this Document

This document addresses APA's requirements for considering how a third party's proposed works and APA managed works may impact APA Networks operated assets under the following parts:

Part 1 – APA Notification and Authorisation Requirements

Part 2 – Design and Asset Protection Requirements

Part 3 – Construction and Land Use Requirements

Part 4 – Alteration of Existing Gas Assets

APA Networks acts as the asset operator on behalf of entities Australian Gas Networks (**AGN**), Allgas, APA, Origin and Queensland Nitrates (**QNP**) and operates in New South Wales, Northern Territory, Queensland, South Australia and Victoria. The criteria provided in this document only applies to the assets managed by APA Networks on behalf of these companies.

APA also owns and operates natural gas transmission infrastructure on all mainland states and territories of Australia. These assets are operated by a separate APA entity and are out of scope for this document.

A glossary of all terms and abbreviations used in this document is contained in **Section 7**.

A list of all relevant external standards and APA reference documents is contained in **Section 8**.

1.2 Asset Types

APA Networks' operated gas assets include buried pipe, above and below ground stations (e.g. pressure regulation, valves, meters), electrical cables, cathodic protection systems (e.g. test points, anode beds), pits and electrical cabinets. Depending on the gas type and the operating pressure, gas assets are classified as natural gas transmission, natural gas distribution and Liquefied Petroleum Gas (**LPG**) distribution as shown in **Figure 1**.

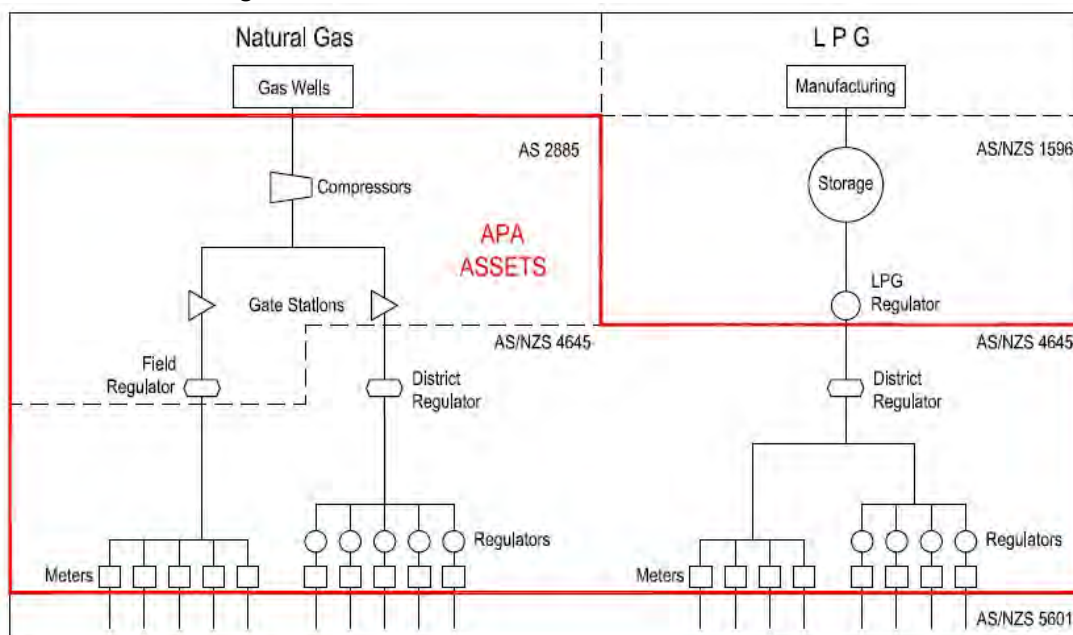


Figure 1 Asset Types and Standards Operated by APA Networks

1.2.1 Natural Gas Transmission

Natural gas transmission pressure assets operate at pressures above 1,050 kPag, and are generally used for transporting large quantities of gas across country. Design, construction and operation of these assets is governed by the AS 2885 suite of Australian Standards (**AS**).

Due to the higher pressure and energy density, there are severe safety, supply and environmental consequences which can result from third party interference. Hence, more stringent requirements and controls are applied to third party works in the vicinity of these assets.

Buried transmission pipelines are constructed from coated steel pipe where the appearance can vary depending on the year of construction, but will generally appear as yellow, black or grey when physically exposed.

1.2.2 Natural Gas Distribution

Natural gas distribution pressure assets operate at pressures below or equal to 1,050 kPag from offtakes of transmission pressure assets, and are generally used to supply consumers such as businesses and homes. Design, construction and operation of these assets is governed by the AS/NZS 4645 suite of Australian Standards.

Due to the lower energy density compared to transmission assets, less stringent requirements and controls are applied to distribution assets. Some distribution assets are deemed critical by APA Networks due to the safety and supply implications that may arise due to a third party strike. These critical distribution assets will be defined on BYDA responses, and some of the controls which are applied to transmission pressure assets (e.g. permit and site watch) will be required.

Buried distribution pressure pipes may be constructed from the following materials and physical appearances when exposed:

- Cast Iron (black);
- Polyethylene (PE) (yellow or black with yellow stripes);
- Steel coated or uncoated (generally yellow, black or grey); and
- Other plastic such as Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) or nylon (yellow).

Some legacy materials such as cast iron and nylon may require additional protection during construction works due to the unpredictable nature of the materials.

1.2.3 LPG Distribution

LPG distribution pressure assets operate at pressures below 140 kPag from storage compounds and are generally used to supply consumers such as businesses and homes in parts of Queensland, South Australia and Northern Territory. Design, construction and operation of these assets is governed by the AS/NZS 4645 suite of Australian Standards.

Additional safety considerations are required in addition to the requirements for natural gas, as LPG is heavier than air and will pool at the leak point and can accumulate in a trench or excavation.

The same materials used for buried distribution pressure pipes (**Section 1.2.2**) may be used on LPG distribution networks.

1.3 Damage and Emergencies

If you smell gas or damage has occurred, or is suspected, on any gas asset call APA emergency number **1800 GAS LEAK (1800 427 532) or 1800 808 526 for LPG assets.**

Any unreported damage has the potential to escalate and endanger public safety.

Where damage has resulted in a release of gas, you are advised to take the following immediate action:

- Clear the area of all people. Do not under any circumstance re-enter the damage area;
- Where safe to do so, shut off or remove all ignition sources and devices in the area e.g. naked flames, vehicle engines, power tools, mobile phones;
- Do not attempt to stop the flow or repair the damage;
- Allow the gas to vent to air; and
- Once clear of the area, contact the emergency number **1800 427 532 or 1800 808 526 for LPG assets.**

The conditions in this document or as provided by APA Networks are intended to protect the gas assets as well as keep safe any construction crews or general public in the vicinity. Depending on the circumstances, some variation to the conditions in this document may be required or may be provided by an approved APA Networks site watch representative. It is legislated in all jurisdictions that the direction provided by APA is followed.

1.4 General Duty of Care and Responsibility to Obtain Information

Anybody working near a gas asset, or responsible for such work, has a duty of care to exercise caution, to maintain a safe working environment and to meet requirements of all relevant laws and Occupational Health and Safety legislation.

For general enquiries about results from BYDA please contact:

- DBYDNetworksAPA@apa.com.au for Northern Territory, South Australia, Southern New South Wales and Victoria, and;
- PermitsQLD@apa.com.au for Queensland and Northern NSW (incl. Tamworth).

The third party shall make contact with APA through the BYDA process if any clarification is required to determine the approval processes for any proposed land use changes (within the Measurement Length), design works and construction activities within 3 m of a gas asset or within a pipeline easement.

Any works proposed by the third party will only be authorised if APA is satisfied that the works will not affect the integrity of the APA Networks operated assets.

Any person undertaking work near an APA Networks operated asset, or responsible for such work, must ensure that they familiarise themselves with APA requirements.

Working around any gas asset, especially transmission pressure pipelines, without appropriate planning and controls as specified by APA Networks can be extremely dangerous. Damage to a gas asset could result in:

- Possible explosion and fire with the risk of loss of equipment, property, personal injury, and death;
- Loss of gas supply to thousands of customers;
- Substantial repair and gas restoration liability costs to the authority or principal responsible; and,
- Prosecution under the relevant laws governing pipeline and gas safety.

Prior to the commencement of any works within the Protected Zone of transmission pressure or critical gas assets, the Contractor performing the work must receive an Authority to Work Permit (ATWP).

Any works within the Protected Zone of critical assets must comply with any conditions attached to an ATWP and depending upon the nature of the asset and works supported by an approved construction methodology.

Written authorisation in the form of the ATWP must be kept on site at all times, and the holder of the authorisation must comply with all the conditions of the ATWP. The performance of any works near critical APA Networks operated assets without a valid ATWP and full compliance with its conditions will constitute a safety incident and may also result in an infringement notice and associated penalties issued by the regulator of the APA Networks asset.

1.4.1 Additional Transmission Pressure Pipeline Requirements

Where the works proposed by the third party may result in a change in land use within the Measurement Length for a transmission pressure pipeline (as defined in AS/NZS 2885.6 for Pipelines – Gas and Liquid Petroleum), such works may also be subject to formal approval requirements through APA Networks and applicable local and state government planning processes. This may also require a Safety Management Study (**SMS**) Report to be completed and approved by APA Networks. The SMS Report is generated from an SMS workshop involving an SMS facilitator, the third party and APA Networks. APA Networks is the owner of the SMS Report and any resulting recommendations/ actions must be implemented to the satisfaction of APA prior to the commencement of any physical works.

Certain categories of development/ land use change are not appropriate to be located within the Measurement Length of transmission pressure pipelines. In certain circumstances, the otherwise unacceptable risks associated with such developments may be alleviated with the aid of installing protective slabbing over the asset or undertaking other protection and mitigation measures.

2 PROTECTION PROCESS

APA is committed to working cooperatively with third parties to ensure that existing gas assets will be appropriately protected from any proposed works.

The process to be followed for any proposed works is outlined in **Table 1**. This table cross references the relevant section of this document which provides any specific requirements for each gas asset classification. The steps in this table are to be followed in conjunction with the process outlined by BYDA¹, a flow chart is also provided in **APPENDIX A**.

Table 1 Protection Process Summary

Section	Step	Purpose
3	Notification and Authorisation	Identify and locate existing gas assets in the vicinity of any proposed works. Submit BYDA requests to obtain indicative plans of gas assets. Notify APA Networks and obtain approval to verify the exact position by physically proving the position of gas assets at the cost of the third party.
4	Design and Protection Requirements	Review APA Networks design and protection requirements for any proposed infrastructure near gas assets. If acceptable clearance is available in accordance with this section review impact of construction methodology on existing gas assets. If acceptable clearance is not available in accordance with this section and the proposed infrastructure cannot be modified, alteration or protection of the existing gas assets will be required at the cost of the third party.
5	Construction and Land Use Requirements	Review construction methodology for adverse impact to existing gas assets. Some additional protection measures may be required depending on the existing gas assets, the construction methodology and whether land use changes are required. If works meet the requirements of this document, submit work package to APA Networks for review and approval. If approval is given, then undertake works in accordance with APA Networks conditions/ permits. If approval is not given modify work package accordingly. If works do not meet the requirements of this document or APA Networks approval cannot be reached, alteration or protection of the existing gas assets will be required.
6	Alteration	Request alteration of existing gas infrastructure if there is insufficient clearance or construction methods will adversely impact existing gas assets. Alteration of existing gas assets are fully recoverable and may result in delays if not identified early.

2.1 Assessment Information

Throughout the protection process, APA Networks assessment may be required to determine if the proposed works/ installation has sufficient separation or if work can be undertaken with a suitable construction methodology. If APA Networks assessment is required, the following information must be provided to enable an efficient and comprehensive review.

- Due dates or a work program;
- The location / address and extent of proposed works;

¹ BYDA process is available at <https://www.1100.com.au/safety-information/digging-safely/>

- Scope / description of the work impacting APA assets;
- A work package containing detailed design or construction issue drawings with the location of APA assets and the extent of works marked and / or georeferenced. Sufficient details must be provided on the plans to verify locations against APA information, which is typically measured from property boundaries. Plan and cross sectional drawings are typically required, including any proving locations;
- The proposed construction methodology (if available); and
- For critical assets only, a completed permit request form. This form is automatically provided in response to a BYDA enquiry when it is required, with direction for this form included in the BYDA response (refer to **Section 5.2**).

If the information provided is incomplete, or irrelevant information is provided, it may result in a delay of the assessment process and provision of a response. Due to the varying nature of potential works, it is not possible to develop a comprehensive listing of information that will be required for each work type, but the above is provided as a general guideline for what will normally be required.

3 PART 1 - APA NOTIFICATION AND AUTHORISATION REQUIREMENTS

3.1 BYDA Request

The fastest method for obtaining APA Network gas asset locations is to lodge a BYDA request. A response can be expected from APA within two business days, and may include one of three responses as outlined in **APPENDIX A**, depending on the location of the works in relation to existing APA operated gas assets in the vicinity.

For some BYDA requests, APA Networks may provide different responses to different assets affected by the proposed works. In all instances it is the responsibility of the third party to review and follow the direction of all BYDA responses.

The information provided by APA Networks in response to a BYDA request, along with any other plans or subsequent information provided by APA, show only the indicative location of the asset at the time and are a guide only. In most instances it will be necessary to prove the location of all buried assets within the proposed work area.

The following items must be considered when using asset information provided by APA Networks:

- Gas service lines from buried distribution pressure supply mains to consumers may not be shown on plans. Service lines are usually laid at right angles from main to a meter position, except where road conduits are provided; and
- Plans become rapidly outdated and so should be used within 30 days and then destroyed. It is the responsibility of the third party to contact APA Networks to seek the updated or renewal of any information after this time.

APA shall not be liable or responsible for the accuracy of any information supplied.

3.2 Provings and Site Identification

Electronic location (e.g. ground penetrating radar, pipe locators) of gas assets is required to verify the onsite locations and any plans that have been provided.

Physical proving of existing gas assets is required at key locations to verify that the separation and protection criteria provided in this document have been achieved. The location and quantity of provings will depend on the scope of proposed work, but provings will at least be required at infrastructure crossing points or where changes to surface level condition are planned.

Additional verifications are required for works parallel and in close vicinity to existing gas assets. Physical provings at maximum 10 m intervals along straight sections of pipe, along with all bends, branch lines and customer service offtakes to verify asset locations.

Note: Live service offtakes which no longer supply consumers may protrude from the gas asset and are not traceable or identifiable from records.

Note: The maximum physical proving intervals for straight sections of pipe may be adjusted based upon the discretion of APA personnel for extenuating circumstances.

The following items must be considered when proving the location of an existing gas asset:

- Provings must be conducted safely and in accordance with the requirements of **Section 5.5.2**. If damage to a gas asset does occur it should be reported immediately to APA as described in **Section 1.3**.
- Permit and site watch by an APA Networks representative may be required for some proving activities in accordance with **Section 5.2**.

3.3 APA Notification and Authorisation Process

Prior to the third party undertaking any works/ activities or as part of the planning and design phase, the third party shall ensure a BYDA request is submitted. The automated response received from the BYDA system will be tailored based on the criticality of the assets.

For assets operated at distribution pressures and not considered critical mains, a Duty of Care Notice is provided with the BYDA response for the third party to consider. Site watch may be necessary under a duty of care notice where additional protection or other integrity concerns require it.

In the event that works are conducted within the Protected Zone of a transmission pipeline and/ or critical distribution main, these works will require a review approval received from APA prior to commencement of works. Works subject to this requirement are deemed to include, but not limited to, the following activities that fall under **Table 3**;

- Non Destructive Digging (**NDD**);
- Mechanical excavation including trenchless excavation i.e. drilling (boring, horizontal direction drilling (**HDD**), pipeline bursting and tunnelling) for installing infrastructure such as the following;
 - o Roadways, driveways, railways, pavements;
 - o Electrical equipment (cables, overhead transmission lines, telecommunication cable or power poles);
 - o Installation of culverts/ pipes (water, drainage, sewer or reticulation);
 - o Landscaping.

APA will not approve certain activities and structures in the transmission pipeline easement (if applicable), including the following;

- Permanent storage;
- Installation of billboard structures;
- Use and storage for explosives, flammables or corrosives;
- Blasting;
- Structures forming part of any house, house extensions, carports or entertainment areas;
- Dams and other manmade water features. Locations of dams off the pipeline easement/ protected zone must not create run off or drainage towards the pipeline easement;
- Chemically treated effluent coming in contact with the pipeline easement/ protected zone;
- Garbage, sand fill, refuse disposal;
- Airstrips.

The Third Party must submit an enquiry to APA at the earliest possible stage to allow sufficient time for assessment. Submissions should include the following information;

- Land description and map identifying location of the proposed works;
- Types of works to be carried out;
- Intended future use of the land (where relating to change in land use)
- Type and weight of machinery that will be used;
- Any plans or diagrams of the works;
- Timeframe for the works.

The sequence of obtaining APA approval is as follows;

- a) Submit enquiry for Initial Review – The Third Party submits the request prior to works commencing and APA Networks will complete an 'Initial Review'. The third party must not progress any works on site until they receive a response from APA Networks. The two possible outcomes of this stage are a 'No Impact' response or;
- b) Enquiry Escalated for Standard Assessment – The request will be forwarded to APA Networks Field or System Operations personnel for a more detailed appraisal, which may involve contacting the third party, site visits, locating of assets of site, and/or request for additional information. The third party must not progress any work on site until they receive a response from APA Networks. The two possible outcomes of this stage are a 'No Objection under standard conditions' response or;
- c) Enquiry Escalated for Engineering Assessment – The request has been forwarded to the Integrity Third Party Engagement team for additional appraisal and determination of specific conditions. The third party must not progress any works on site until they receive a response from APA Networks. The two possible outcomes of this stage are a 'No Objection under special conditions response' or;

- d) Enquiry Escalated for Alteration – The Integrity Third Party Engagement team triggers the alteration process for this enquiry. The third party will be contacted for additional information and must not progress any work on site until they receive a response from APA Networks.
- e) No Impact – The third party receives a 'No Impact' response and can proceed with the works under appropriate APA Networks requirements e.g. Duty of Care, Authority to Work Permit and/or Site Watch.
- f) No Objection Under Conditions – The third party will receive a No Objection under standard or special conditions response and can progress with the planning of the works under the conditions specified in the response and appropriate APA Networks requirements e.g. Duty of Care, Authority to Work Permit and/or Site Watch.

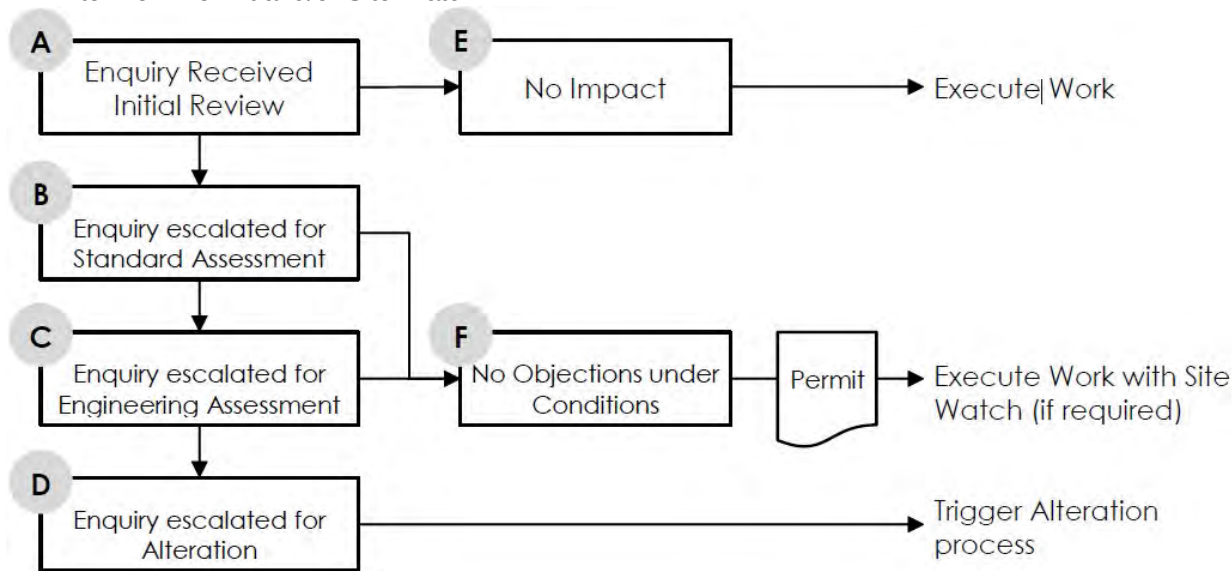


Figure 2 Stages for Third Party Works Authorisation Request

For works around APA Networks transmission pipelines or critical mains the documents take precedence in the following order;

- APA Authority to Work Permit (**ATWP**)
- APA accepted Third Party Construction Drawings
- APA accepted Third Party Construction Methodology
- APA Networks Guidelines for Works Near Existing Gas Assets (this document)
- APA accepted Third Party Safe Work Method Statement (**SWMS**) (if applicable)

3.4 Commercial Agreement and Service Delivery

APA will undertake a review of Third Party Works, as required. At APA's discretion cost recovery for these works may be required. Where APA Networks requires cost recovery a commercial service agreement in the form of a Works Agreement will be required.

Note: Any third party works requiring blasting, seismic and/or tunnelling work near APA Networks operated assets will not be considered "low risk" and cost recovery for detailed review maybe required.

3.5 Decommissioned Gas Assets

Decommissioned gas assets that remain in the ground are not always shown on BYDA plans.

Where unknown assets are identified or suspected on site but are not on APA plans, they must be treated as being live. In this instance, the third party must contact all utility owners and operators in the area of the BYDA and notify them of the findings.

Following review, if APA accepts that it is a decommissioned gas asset, the asset must be treated as per the requirements of this document. APA will take no further action where it is not considered to be a decommissioned gas asset.

In some cases, decommissioned gas assets are required for future use by APA (sometimes noted as “Idle” on APA plans). These assets must be treated as live using the same criteria outlined in this document, and must not be removed or altered without APA’s express written approval.

Where APA confirms there is no future use of a decommissioned gas asset (sometimes noted as “Abandoned” on APA plans), removal of the asset can be undertaken by the third party under the following conditions:

- For assets considered by APA to be decommissioned gas assets, APA must be engaged to verify that the asset is gas free;
- End caps must be permanently sealed, using an APA approved methodology, on any decommissioned sections that are to be left in place to prevent future water ingress into the remaining sections of the decommissioned gas asset;
- An as-built drawing must be submitted by the third party for any section(s) of a decommissioned gas asset removed by the third party or its sub-contractors to ensure BYDA can be updated accordingly; and
- Payment for costs associated with any verification or alteration activities must be provided prior to APA undertaking works.

4 PART 2 - DESIGN AND ASSET PROTECTION REQUIREMENTS

4.1 Standard Clearances

Minimum clearance dimensions outlined in this section must be met to allow for safe future maintainability and protection of existing gas assets. If separation clearances cannot be achieved, APA will review the proposed infrastructure on a case-by-case basis to determine whether a resolution can be achieved before alteration of any existing gas assets is considered. Authorisation of works by APA is still required, regardless of being able to achieve the required separation distances.

Clearances specified in **Table 2** are measured from the closest edges of the existing gas asset to the proposed infrastructure. Depending on the exact nature of proposed infrastructure, additional clearance may be required.

Note: Clearances specified herein are from gas assets, third party utilities may have their own standard separations that exceed APA's minimums specified in **Table 2**.

The future access zone required around a gas asset depends upon a number of factors such as size, operating pressure, depth and soil conditions, but typically this access zone is at least 1000 mm either side and 700 mm below the gas asset. As an aid for design and / or installation, the minimum clearances presented in **Table 2** are provided to allow for safe future access to gas assets. These minimum clearances assume that the asset have been proven and the location verified. There may be circumstances where additional clearances are required.

Table 2 Minimum Clearances

Clearance Type (Note 2, 9)	Minimum Transmission Pressure Asset Clearance	Minimum Distribution Pressure Asset Clearance
Any installation up to 0.6 metres wide which is crossing the gas asset	500 mm Vertical (Note 2)	300 mm Vertical (Note 2)
Any installation over 0.6 metres wide which is crossing the gas asset	500 mm Vertical	300 mm Vertical (Note 2)
Any installation laid by trenchless excavation e.g. HDD, boring, etc.	3000 mm Vertical	600 mm Vertical
	Refer to Section 5.6 for minimum horizontal separation distances	
Any installation laid parallel to a steel gas asset	600 mm Horizontal (Note 2, 3)	
Any installation laid parallel to any gas asset other than steel	N/A	300 mm Horizontal (Note 2, 3)
Trenching separation from edge of gas asset to edge of trench (Note 4)	500 mm Horizontal	300 mm Horizontal
Underground electrical cables laid parallel to any gas asset other than steel	N/A	300 mm Horizontal
Electrical conduits and cables (<11 kV) laid parallel to a steel gas asset	Engineering assessment required (Note 2, 3)	
Electrical conduits and cables (≥ 11 kV) laid parallel to a steel gas asset	(Note 2, 3) Engineering assessment required (Note 7)	

Electrical earthing systems near a steel gas asset	High Voltage: Engineering Assessment Required Low Voltage: 300 mm Horizontal (Note 7)	
Electrical earthing system near any gas asset other than steel	N/A	300 mm Horizontal
Clearance Type (Note 2, 9)	Minimum Transmission Pressure Asset Clearance	Minimum Distribution Pressure Asset Clearance
Undisturbed cover from the top of the gas asset to the underside of trenching or road pavement boxing	500 mm Vertical	300 mm Vertical (Note 1)
Distance from predominant building line	3000 mm Horizontal Where applicable outside pipeline easement	Refer to Section 4.2
Distance from Sensitive Use Locations (Refer Section 7 for Glossary of Terms and Abbreviations)	APA Engineering Assessment Required (Note 8)	N/A
Canopies longer than 15 m parallel to the edge of the gas asset	3000 mm Horizontal (Note 10)	Refer to Table 4 (Note 10)
Any installation that could add excessive loads to the gas asset or restrict access to the gas asset	3000 mm Horizontal (Note 2)	
Any installations that may need require underpinning were APA to expose the gas asset	3000 mm Horizontal	
Any temporary stake, e.g. star picket	300 mm Horizontal	
Electrical poles including street lighting and traffic signals	3000 mm Horizontal Where applicable outside pipeline easement	1000 mm (Note 3, 5, 6, 7)
Fence post, including road safety barriers	3000 mm Horizontal when installed per APA requirements	500 mm Horizontal when installed per APA requirements
Pile or pier	3000 mm Horizontal when installed per APA requirements	500 mm Horizontal when installed per APA requirements
Permanent Heavy Vehicle Loads (Greater than 4.5T)	Refer to Section 4.7 Temporary and Permanent Vehicle Loads	
Tree Root Barrier	3000 mm Horizontal	1000 mm Horizontal Refer to Section 4.3 Landscaping Plans
Separation distances for vegetation	Refer to Section 4.3 Landscaping Plans	

Note 1: For distribution main crossings, where the vertical separation distance is less than 300 mm physical protective slabbing, e.g. HDPE or concrete, shall be installed where the other utility is crossing beneath the APA pipeline/distribution main.

HDPE or concrete, shall be installed where the other utility is crossing above the APA pipeline/distribution main.

No protective slabbing is required for utility crossings greater than 500 mm separation.

Note 2: Structures and large utilities crossing APA Networks operated assets need to be self-supporting so that future repairs or maintenance of the asset can occur as per **Section 4.2 Third Party Assets and Structures**.

Note 3: Horizontal separation includes utility surface access pits, thrust blocks and/ or footings.

Note 4: Additional horizontal separation may be required depending on the extent of the planned works, local soil conditions and trench stability of the existing gas asset. This is particularly relevant where works occur within the angle of repose of the existing gas asset (e.g. parallel trenching that is deeper than the existing gas asset) and may result in undermining.

Note 5: In accordance with 'AS/NZS 4853 – Electrical hazards on metallic pipelines' without further information and APA engineering assessment, no electrical power poles for 66kV or above are permitted within the following separation distances of steel gas assets;

- If the power line has an Overhead Earth Wire (**OHEW**) – 15 m;
- If power line does not have an OHEW – 100 m;

Note 6: Where electrical poles (including street lighting and traffic signals) are proposed which place the gas asset within the no dig zone specified by the electrical authority either of the following shall occur;

- a) The poles shall be designed with deeper foundations to be self-supporting if the gas asset needs to be excavated. Or;
- b) For non-metallic assets relocated into a conduit that extends past the no dig zone.

Note 7: Clearance for electrical cables and earthing systems from steel gas assets must be reviewed in accordance with **Section 4.6 Earthing and Electrical Effects**. Electrical cables, substations and/or earthing systems installed in the vicinity of steel gas assets require an Earth Potential Risk (**EPR**) and Low Frequency Induction (**LFI**) assessment to AS/NZS 4853.

Note 8: Requires a setback distance to stay away from the Measurement Length (refer to **Table 14 Glossary of Terms and Abbreviations**). Alternatively, the setback distance may be reduced if protection slabbing is installed along the Sensitive Use Location where interaction with the Measurement Length occurs. This may also be limited to the development area subject to APA engineering assessment.

Note 9: Pipeline protection needs to be assessed and shown on the design plans with design clearances. This includes recoating, bridge slab or asset strike protection slab.

Note 10: Clearance may be dependent on demonstrating that there is sufficient continuous ventilation.

For construction and land use activities around gas assets the minimum horizontal clearances referenced in **Table 3** must be followed.

Table 3 Minimum Clearances for Construction Works and Land Use Activities

Construction and Land Use Activities	Minimum Horizontal Clearance	
	Transmission Pressure & Critical Distribution Mains	Non-Critical Distribution Pressure Mains
Excavation without APA representative present (Note 1)	3000 mm	N/A
Trenchless Excavation (Note 1)	3000 mm Refer to Section 5.6	1000 mm Refer to Section 5.6
Temporary Heavy Vehicle Traffic (greater than 4.5T)	If the load has not been assessed, maintain a Horizontal separation of 3000 mm. APA engineering assessment must be completed if crossing asset. Refer to Section 4.7 Temporary and Permanent Vehicle Crossings	Refer to Section 4.7 Temporary and Permanent Vehicle Crossings
Installation of Piles, Piers or Poles	Refer to Table 2 and Section 5.7	
Hot Works from Construction Activities	Any hot works within 5000 mm of an open trench containing gas asset or where cover is less than 300 mm. Refer to Section 5.8. (Note 2)	
Compaction	Section 5.10 for Compaction Limits Maximum Compaction Limits	
Vibration Limits	No vibration within 3000 mm of the pipeline and greater distance to comply with Section 5.9	
Blasting, Seismic Survey or the use of Explosives	Approval required for works within 100m. Refer to Section 5.11.	
Lifting over exposed gas asset	Not permitted over the gas asset. Refer to Section 5.12 for Suspended Materials above Gas Assets and No Go Zones for Cranes.	
Clearance of crane outriggers to gas assets	Not permitted within 3000 mm of gas asset. Refer to Section 5.12 for Suspended Materials above Gas Assets and No Go Zones for Cranes.	
Clearance of temporary material from pipeline	Not permitted within 3000 mm of gas assets. Refer to Section 5.13 for Temporary Materials.	

Note 1: Excavation covers NDD, mechanical excavation and trenchless excavation (boring, HDD, pipeline bursting and tunnelling).

Note 2: Horizontal separation distance also applies to any pits or valve covers.

4.2 Third Party Assets and Structures

Structures, including but not limited to buildings, walls, canopies, footings, pile caps or retaining walls, must not transfer any load to or be installed over any gas asset.

The design of any third party asset or structure must take into account future safe access of any gas assets in the vicinity. The proposed third party asset or structure must be installed in a way that prevents the angle of repose from encroaching into the future access zone as specified in **Section 4.1** around the existing gas asset.

Any third party asset or structure installed within proximity to a transmission pipeline or critical distribution pressure main must be designed to be self-supporting and allow for a minimum excavation window 1m on either side of the asset and 700 mm below the edge of the asset, for maintenance of the asset. This self-supporting design information is required to be shown on the construction drawings supported by geotechnical data and calculations. Construction of structures on pipeline easements are not permitted without explicit consent from APA.

Distribution pressure gas mains must be offset from the expected predominant building line at a distance in accordance with **Table 4**. Transmission pressure gas assets shall be per **Table 2**.

Table 4 Minimum Building Offset Distances for Distribution Pressure Gas Mains

Diameter (DN)	MAOP (kPag)			
	≤210	>210 ≤ 420	>420 ≤ 600	>600
≤110	0.5 m	0.5 m	1.0m	3 m
>110 ≤ 160	0.5 m	0.5 m	3 m	5 m
>160	0.5 m	3 m	3 m	8 m

Gas assets may be located underneath curbing or strip footings for road safety barriers for short sections up to 10 m to allow for tapers. The integrity of the gas asset to be located underneath the curbing or strip footing may require inspection, repair, recoating and / or slabbing depending on the existing condition and extent of proposed works.

Posts or poles which are located in road reserve, or otherwise exposed to vehicle impact, must be designed such that there will be no damage to the gas asset in the event of a vehicle impact.

For works in Victoria, consent from the relevant State Minister is required under Section 120 of the *Pipelines Act 2005* (VIC) for the erection of structures or buildings within 3,000 mm of a transmission pressure asset. Ministerial consent must be arranged through Energy Safe Victoria (**ESV**) following review and acceptance of the proposed designs by APA Networks.

4.3 Landscaping Plans

Vegetation may limit line of site, access and passage along an existing gas asset alignment, while the associated roots may damage existing buried pipe, coating or other ancillary equipment (e.g. cables). Above ground gas infrastructure may also be exposed to hazards from falling vegetation and increased fire risk. Additionally, trees and tree roots may limit access to the gas asset in an emergency, during normal operations and when make new connections or modifications.

Landscaping plans which include vegetation should select tree species which do not have vigorous root activity and do not exceed above 5m in height when fully mature when planted within 3m of gas assets. The pre-selection of trees considered suitable for planting within road reserves and near gas assets should also consider interference with, or damage to, other underground and overhead services.

For all landscaping works within 3 m of transmission pressure or critical distribution pressure gas assets the following details must submitted to APA for review and approval prior to planting.

- Tree species – botanical and common name
- Mature tree buttress and canopy diameter
- Mature tree height

- Maximum root ball diameter
- Offset from gas asset
- Method of protection to gas asset

Trees to be planted within 3 m of transmission pressure or critical distribution pressure gas assets, should also adhere to **Table 5** below.

Note: Horizontal separation is measured from pipe edge to edge of mature trunk or mature drip line, whichever is the greater.

Strata cells are not considered an appropriate protection from tree roots. If strata cells are to be installed in the vicinity of existing buried gas assets, the controls identified in **Table 5** must be used for protection.

Table 5 Protection of Distribution Gas Assets from Vegetation

Vegetation Types	Requirements	Horizontal Separation from Pipe Edge to Vegetation			
		Greater than 3 m	1.5 to 3m	1.5 to 0.5 m	<0.5 m
Trees or Large Shrubs	Min. separation of 3 m is required between trees and pipe if no protection methods are utilised.				
Medium and Small Shrubs	Within 1.5 m – 0.5 m protection methods must be utilised.				
Ground cover and grasses	No protection methods required.				
Gas Protection Methods					
	No protection methods required, provided separation limits are followed.				
	Within 3 m, tree species which have mature buttress diameters less than 0.15 m and do not have invasive or deep roots may be accommodated without protection methods after consultation with APA Networks (Note 1). For trees with mature buttress diameters greater than 0.15 m one of the following gas protection methods must be implemented; 1. Lowering or relocation of the gas asset to a minimum of 1.2 m cover. 2. Installation of new gas conduit beyond the structural root zone (SRZ) of the mature tree species for future use. (Note 2) 3. Installation of a root barrier system. System to be 1 m deep or extend 250mm below the gas asset, whichever is the greater.				
	Within 1.5 m installation of a root barriers system is mandatory and gas protection methods are as follows; 1. Installation of a robust root barrier system. System to be 1 m deep or extend 250 mm below the gas asset, whichever is the greater. AND 2. Lowering or relocation of the gas asset to a minimum of 1.2 m cover. OR 3. Installation of new gas conduit beyond the SRZ of the mature tree species for future use. (Note 2)				
	Planting directly over gas assets is not permitted in any location, as it prevents emergency and maintenance access. Tree roots can damage gas asset resulting in gas leaks.				

Note 1: Refers to the minimum 1.5 m structural root zone for a mature buttress diameter less than 0.15 m mandated under AS 4970 – Protection of trees on development sites.

Note 2: Suitable protection method for PE mains only. Conduits to be recorded in Geographic Information System (GIS) for future referencing.

Note 3: On transmission pressure assets vegetation must not limit line of site along the buried gas assets alignment, all signage must remain each in sight of the other.

4.4 Surface Levels and Conditions

Decreases or increases to surface levels must consider depth of cover requirements for gas assets specified in **Table 6**. This is in addition to maintaining a minimum working cover from the top of the gas asset to the underside of trenching or road box out works during construction as specified in **Table 2**. Vehicles must not cross gas assets at covers less than those specified in **Table 6** unless in accordance with **Section 5.10** for Compaction Limits or **Section 4.7** for Temporary and Permanent Vehicle Crossings.

Where existing surfaces are to be modified, finished cover levels are not to be reduced to less than existing levels, unless meeting the minimum requirements of **Table 6**. The requirement for, and the extent of, protective slabbing over any APA Networks operated asset will be determined by APA at its sole discretion with adherence to minimum depth of cover without physical protection as the preference. Depending on the location, local councils and relevant road/ rail authorities may have minimum depth of cover requirements that APA are required to meet which are more stringent than those listed in **Table 6**. Depth of cover requirements for individual consumer offtakes (service connections) are also provided in **Table 7**.

Details of any additional fill proposed to be placed on or within 3 metres of a gas asset, or within any applicable easement, must be clearly shown on plans and must be approved by APA Networks in writing. A maximum depth of cover of 2,500 mm for transmission pressure assets and 2000 mm for distribution assets apply in all locations; however, it is preferred not to exceed 1500 mm for both types of assets.

Table 6 Minimum Depth of Cover Requirements for Pipelines and Mains

Asset Location	Minimum Depth of Cover (Note 3)	
	Transmission Pressure Asset	Distribution Pressure Asset
Under Minor Road Pavement (Note 1)	1,200 mm 1,200 mm to 1,000 mm with physical protection slabbing and APA engineering load assessment	750 mm 750 mm to 600 mm with physical protection slabbing and APA engineering load assessment
Under Major Road Pavement (Note 2)	1,200 mm 1200 mm to 1,000 mm with bridging slabs (Note 4)	1,200 mm 1200 mm to 750 mm with bridging slabs (Note 4)
In Road Reserve but not Under Road Pavement	900 mm 900 mm to 750 mm with protective slabbing contingent upon pipeline location class	750 mm 750 mm to 600 mm with protective slabbing
Not in Road Reserve	900 mm 750 mm with protective slabbing contingent upon pipeline location class	750 mm for > 210 kPa 600 mm for ≤ 210 kPa
Railway Reserve	2000 mm (Note 5)	
Large Open Drain or Major Water Crossing	2000 mm (Note 6)	

Note 1: Minor road pavements typically are owned by local councils.

Note 2: All roads owned by state and federal authorities are major roads. Roads owned by council may be major or minor roads. Covers less than 1200 mm may require dispensation from the relevant road authority.

Note 3: Protective slabbing must be installed where minimum depth of cover requirements cannot be met or are required to meet specific safety requirements. Bridging slabbing for transmission pressure assets may be replaced with protection slabbing following APA engineering assessment.

Note 4: The requirement for bridging slabs can be downgrade to physical protection slabbing where APA engineering assessment is completed and approved.

Note 5: Installation within railway reserve shall be in accordance with both AS 4799 and the respective operating standard for the gas assets i.e. AS 2885 and AS 4645.

Note 6: The minimum depth of cover of 2,000 mm shall consider future scour of the drain or waterway crossing. For man-made drains the depth of cover can be reduced to 1200 mm if sealed (i.e. concreted) and appropriately designed. For transmission pressure assets, waterway crossings shall be designed in accordance with AS 2885.1 – 2018 Clause 5.8.6.2. For all assets, as a minimum the following shall be considered;

- a) A hydrological investigation to determine the stream power under peak stream, watercourse or waterway flows. The investigation shall determine the 1 in 100 year flood and the probable maximum flood and intermediate (optional) flood conditions.
- b) A geotechnical investigation to determine the physical parameters of the crossings, and using the information from the hydrological investigation, the erosion potential. This assessment should also consider the meander potential of the watercourse so that the limits of special construction can be defined.

Table 7 Minimum Depth of Cover Requirements for Customer Offtakes (Services)

Asset Location	Customer Offtake size	
	≤ DN50	> DN50 and ≤ DN110 (Note 1)
Roadway	450 mm	600 mm
Private Property	300 mm	450 mm

Note 1: Customer offtakes (services) with diameters greater than DN110 shall have depth of cover in accordance with **Table 6**.

Changes to surface conditions (e.g. changing from nature strip to road pavement) or which place the gas asset in an inaccessible position (e.g. with excessive cover) may require slabbing, recoating and / or relocation. Changes to surrounding surface levels or conditions must also consider drainage and the potential to result in erosion of cover for gas assets. Additionally, gas fittings such as valves, stopple fittings or flanges must not be located underneath road pavement. An APA Engineering assessment will be required if this is not feasible, refer to **Section 6**.

Where a new hardstand surface is installed on non-metallic distribution pressure mains (e.g. a painted concrete driveway), consideration should be given to including a casing or enveloper pipe to APA requirements for insertion of future gas assets. This will ensure that the new hardstand surface is not modified as part of the future gas installation. Where a casing or enveloper pipe is installed for future insertion works surveyed as-constructed records are to be provided to APA Networks for incorporation into the GIS records.

For transmission pressure gas assets, any landscaping material should be level within the easement or a minimum of 3 m (but preferably 6 m) to each side of the pipeline, to permit excavating equipment to operate without having to destroy the adjacent landscaping.

4.5 Casings Vent Stacks

Casings provide mechanical protection and protection to gas assets from external loadings. Some cased crossings are sealed and fitted with a casing vent stack, which gas leaks are identified via.

The following APA requirements are to be applied for works near casing vent stacks:

- Casing vent stacks cannot be removed unless an alternative arrangement has been approved by APA Networks or they have been assessed as being redundant;
- Unfettered access is to be maintained to casing vent stacks; and
- Minimum distance from casing vent stack discharge point to any electrical installation or overhead structure must be 1000 mm.

4.6 Earthing and Electrical Effects

Steel gas assets are susceptible to adverse effects from electrical sources such as above and below ground cables, substations, transformers, earth rods, cathodic protection systems or electrified tram / train lines.

Without any further information or engineering assessment, earthing systems for distribution ($\geq 11\text{kV}$) and transmission ($\geq 66\text{kV}$) power lines must satisfy the Earth Potential Rise (EPR) Level 1 (Conservative) compliance of AS/NZS 4853 – 2012 Table 4.3 & 4.5 which specifies separation distances from pipe appurtenances (e.g. valves, regulators, isolation joints), access points or earth points (including cathodic protection test points). For the potential hazards to be accepted as low risk on the basis of a Level 1 assessment the separation between a conductive structure or substation and pipeline subject to EPR shall be greater than the values given in **Table 8** below.

Table 8 Separation Distances for Pipeline Subject to EPR from Power Lines (Level 1 Assessment)

Fault Current or Actual Current (A) (Note 2, 3)	Separation Required (m) - Note 1			
	Distribution ($\geq 11\text{kV}$)	Power Line	Transmission ($\geq 66\text{kV}$)	Power Line
	100 $\Omega\cdot\text{m}$	500 $\Omega\cdot\text{m}$	100 $\Omega\cdot\text{m}$	500 $\Omega\cdot\text{m}$
150	40	190	N/A	N/A
300	80	390	N/A	N/A
500	130	660	N/A	N/A
750	200	1,000	N/A	N/A
1,000	270	1,300	60	310
3,000	N/A	N/A	190	940
6,000	N/A	N/A	380	1,900
10,000	N/A	N/A	635	>3,500

Note 1: Earth resistivity of 500 $\Omega\cdot\text{m}$ shall be used for dry sand or rock and 100 $\Omega\cdot\text{m}$ for all other cases.

Note 2: If the fault current is unknown for a distribution power line ($\geq 11\text{kV}$), a fault current of 1000 A shall be used for the first pass assessment.

Note 3: If the transmission power line ($\geq 66\text{kV}$) uses an OHEW, uses values up to 3,000 A (this assumes a current split of 30% of 10 kA). For lines without an OHEW, use values up to 10,000 A for current going down the structure.

Without any further information or engineering assessment, distribution (≥ 11 kV) and transmission (≥ 66 kV) power lines parallel to steel gas assets must satisfy the Low Frequency Induction (LFI) Level 1 (Conservative) compliance of AS/NZS 4853 – 2012 Table 4.2 & 4.4 which specifies maximum acceptable power line to pipeline exposure length.

Per AS/NZS 4853 – 2012 the pipeline exposure length (average separation for the parallel section) under LFI conditions shall be less than the values given in **Table 9** below.

Table 9 Exposure Length for Pipeline Subject to LFI from Power Lines (Level 1 Assessment)

Power line to pipeline separation (m)	Exposure Length (m) – Note 1		
	Distribution Power Line (≥ 11 kV) – 100 Ω .m	Transmission Power Line (≥ 66 kV) – 100 Ω .m	
5	180	95	
10	210	110	
20	240	127	
50	310	165	
100	400	210	
200	550	290	
500	950	500	

Note 1: Without soil resistivity data, assessments are to be completed assuming 100 Ω .m. If soil resistivity data is available refer to AS/NZS 4853 – 2012.

Where AS/NZS 4853 Level 1 EPR or LFI requirements cannot be achieved a Level 2 and/or 3 assessment will be required.

The third party must provide to APA detailed plans of any source(s) of earthing and/ or electrical effects proposed to be located in the vicinity of steel gas assets, with an assessment report compliant with AS/NZS 4853 Electrical Hazards on Metallic Pipelines. This assessment report is to determine any effects to existing cathodic protection or induced voltage mitigation systems from these types of installations. The third party must address any relevant requirements and any recommendations and/or actions must be implemented to the satisfaction of APA Networks. All cost association with the study, and implementing its recommendations and/ or actions are to be borne by the third party. The third party must also complete validation testing upon completion of construction and provide all findings/ reports to APA Networks.

Hazards which may arise due to electrical systems located in the vicinity of steel gas assets include the following:

- Accidental contact between gas assets and electrical systems;
- Capacitive coupling;
- Conductive coupling;
- Electromagnetic induction;
- Low Frequency Induction (LFI);
- Earth Potential Rise (EPR), including due to fault current or lightning discharge; and,
- Adverse cathodic protection interference in excess of those allowed under AS 2832.1 or relevant state regulations

4.7 Temporary and Permanent Vehicle Crossings

Vehicle crossings over existing gas assets are limited to light vehicles (Gross Vehicle Mass not greater than 4.5 tonnes unless advised otherwise by APA Networks in writing) on unsealed surfaces or Heavy Vehicles (compliant General Access Vehicles) on established road pavements.

Any proposed new crossings must be assessed and authorised in writing by APA Networks.

A maximum surface pressure of 400 kPa is allowable directly above buried gas assets. However, any surface pressure exceeding this limit or where cover over the gas asset has been reduced from **Table 6** will require an APA Engineering Assessment and approval.

Where soil conditions exhibit poor compaction and load bearing characteristics, such as wet soil conditions, equipment is not permitted to cross the gas asset irrespective of weight without establishing a stable sealed surface or road plates.

Crane footings or bog mats must not be placed where the angle of repose can influence an existing gas asset without express written approval by APA. Where the existing gas asset is within the angle of response, the maximum surface pressure due to the crane must be provided.

5 PART 3 - CONSTRUCTION AND LAND USE REQUIREMENTS

Extreme care should be exercised at all times when working around existing gas assets, as repair works will be fully chargeable and may result in delays to any works. Refer to the duty of care outlined in **Section 1.4** and the requirements of this section when selecting construction methods.

5.1 Land Use Change

Where works proposed by a third party may result in a change in land use within the Measurement Length (as defined in AS/NZS 2885.6 for Pipelines – Gas and Liquid Petroleum) of transmission assets, such works may also be subject to formal approval requirements through APA Networks and applicable local and state government planning processes.

This may also require a Safety Management Study (SMS) report be completed and approved by APA Networks. This SMS report is generated from an SMS workshop involving an independent SMS facilitator, third party and APA Networks. APA Networks is the owner of the SMS report and any resulting recommendation/ actions must be implemented to the satisfaction of APA Networks prior to the commencement of any physical works.

Certain categories of development, such as Sensitive Use Locations (refer to **Table 14 Glossary of Terms and Abbreviations**), are not appropriate to be located with the Measurement Length. In certain circumstances, the otherwise unacceptable risks associated with such developments may be alleviated with the aid of installing protective slabbing over the transmission pipeline or undertaking other protection and mitigation measures.

Sensitive Use Locations near transmission pipelines are designated under AS/NZS 2885.6 and identify land where the consequences of a Failure Event may be increased because it is developed for use by sectors of the community who may be unable to protect themselves from the consequences of a pipeline Failure Event.

Sensitive uses are defined as follows;

- Schools, which includes colleges
- Hospitals and aged care facilities such as nursing homes, elderly people's homes
- Prisons and jails
- Sheltered housing
- Buildings with five or more stories
- Large community and leisure facilities, large open air gatherings
- Day care facilities
- Other potentially difficult to evacuate facilities
- Other structures as defined by relevant local councils.

For further information regarding the SMS process, refer to APA Networks Encroachment and Land Use Change SMS Trigger Procedure, **400-PR-L-0003**.

5.2 Permits and Site Watch

Transmission pressure assets and critical distribution pressure assets, must have a permit issued prior to proposed works in the vicinity of the existing assets, including any proving activities. Following the issue of a permit, a site watch inspector may be required to verify that the activities are carried out appropriately.

Other distribution pressure assets not considered critical will only require site watch as determined by APA Networks.

Where a permit is required, the response provided to the BYDA enquiry will include the relevant forms and process to be followed for submitting a permit request.

While BYDA recommends completing the request two business days prior to undertaking works, this is to ensure that the location information is obtained. This may not allow sufficient time for APA Networks to supply site watch. Further delays may be experienced if the proposed works are significantly complicated, do not meet the requirements of this document or if insufficient information is provided.

It is an offence in all jurisdictions to undertake activities in the vicinity of transmission pipelines without prior authorisation by the operator.

5.3 Coating Surveys and Leakage Surveys

Where proposed works have potential to indirectly damage pipe coating (i.e. due to compaction) or result in a leak of the gas asset (e.g. vibration of cast iron pipes), additional monitoring activities such as Direct Current Voltage Gradient (DCVG) or leakage surveys may be required.

If required, chargeable DCVG surveys will be conducted prior to works to establish any existing coating faults which exist on the gas asset. A subsequent DCVG survey will be conducted at the conclusion of works, and where new faults have developed on the gas asset, repairs shall be made with costs charged to the works owner. Surveys can be conducted prior to finalising road surfaces to avoid costly repairs.

A similar chargeable survey program can be applied where leakage surveys are required. However, additional surveys may be necessary throughout works to ensure work crews do not operate in a gaseous environment once leaks are caused.

5.4 Pipeline Repairs, Recoating and Slabbing

Buried steel assets operated by APA Networks are coated to provide protection from corrosion.

Where the surface conditions above a buried steel pipe are changed which may limit future access to the existing gas asset an assessment of the coating condition will likely be triggered.

The requirement for pipeline recoating is assessed by APA Networks on a case by case basis, based on the proposed works, but will generally be dependent on the following:

- The asset class;
- The existing coating type, age and condition;
- Increase in loading that can bring forward any pipeline anomalies; and,
- Changes limiting access to the existing asset(s), such as the installation of slabbing, road pavement, culverts, embankment ramps or any other feature.

A chargeable coating survey carried out in accordance with **Section 5.3** may be required to assess the condition of the existing gas asset coating.

Recoating and/ or associated slabbing works over any gas asset will be determined by APA Networks Engineering Assessments and any applicable risk assessments (Safety Management Study or Formal Safety Assessment).

Pipeline repairs, recoating and slabbing that form part of any third party commercial agreement will be charged to the third party.

The requirement for, and the extent of, slabbing over any APA Networks operated asset will be determined by APA at its sole discretion and may depend on factors other than only changes in depth of cover discussed in **Section 4.4**. Slabbing may be required for the following reasons:

- Removable protective slab to provide protection from third party mechanical excavation;
- Bridging slab to provide protection from external loadings e.g. insufficient depth of cover combined with vehicle traffic.

Slabbing must be installed with adequate separation from the pipe, which may impact the undisturbed cover requirement, and cannot be installed directly underneath road pavement or at surface level.

Any bridging slab designs prepared by a third party must be accompanied by certification from the registered practising structural engineer (Registered Professional Engineer Queensland (**RPEQ**) required for works in Queensland, and so on as required for other States and Territories) confirming that the design is adequate to prevent pipeline loading.

5.5 Exposure of Buried Gas Assets

5.5.1 General

Excavation works covers Non-Destructive Digging (**NDD**) and mechanical excavation. All such excavations must be completed in accordance with APA's direction.

The Third Party or its Contractor can perform exposure works on APA Networks operated assets via NDD using vacuum excavation and subsequent mechanical excavation works under the following conditions:

- **A current BYDA request is available for the works.**
- An approved Authority to Work Permit (**ATWP**) is issued for works near transmission pipelines or critical mains.
- APA Site Watch Officer is present for works near transmission pipelines or critical mains as outlined on the ATWP.
- The Third Party (or its Contractor) shall ensure they have their own SWMS, Risk Assessment, Environmental Management Plan, Tool Box Talk, Traffic Management and Pre-Start in line with their own corporate policy in place prior to works commencing.
- All underground assets have been identified by surface marking where within or close to the excavation area prior to proceeding with planned proving works (i.e. hand or NDD (e.g. Hydro-Vacuum Excavation). Any non-recorded assets should be identified prior to breaking ground (e.g. excavation or cutting).
- A check for gas leaks has been conducted prior to the commencement of work.
- If the mechanical excavation operator cannot see the spotter (where applicable, APA Site Watch Officer), he or she must stop moving immediately and not resume movement until contact has been established. Spotters must be aware of their surroundings and should never walk into the path of a vehicle, moving equipment or a swinging load. They need to scan the ground to become aware of any trip or fall hazards.
- If excavations are greater than 1.5 m or ground conditions are considered unstable benching/ battering/ shoring must be utilised. Additionally, appropriate ladders/ ramps or steps must be utilised to ensure safe access and egress.
- **Under no circumstances is mechanical equipment to be used within 300 mm of any gas asset.**

5.5.2 Physically Proving Gas Assets

Prior to mechanical excavation of the gas assets, the asset shall be physically proven by NDD or through the use of hand excavation. The method used will vary based on the criticality of the asset. The requirements in **Section 5.5.1** shall be implemented prior to physically proving the gas asset.

Technique 1 – Vacuum Excavation (Critical and Non-Critical Gas Assets)

A vacuum truck can be used to prove and expose the gas asset. Please ensure the requirements detailed in **Section 5.5.3** are adhered to.

Technique 2 – Hand Excavation (Critical and Non-Critical Gas Assets)

If the anticipated depth of cover of the gas asset is less than 1m (measured from the top of pipe) then hand excavation shall be used to expose the gas asset. The use of round edge shovels should be used to avoid damage to the pipe or coating. In the event that the anticipated depth of cover of the gas asset is greater than 1m then mechanical excavation can be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of **Section 5.5.4** but must stop when within 1m of the gas asset (i.e. 1.3m anticipated depth means that 300 mm of cover can be removed by mechanical excavation and the

remainder by hand excavation as described above. The anticipated depth shall be based on the shallowest result from BYDA or pipe locator.

Technique 3 – Hand + Excavation (Non-Critical Gas Assets ONLY)

If the gas asset is deemed non-critical then a combination of hand digging and excavation can be used. This technique requires the third party to hand excavate 300 mm then mechanically excavate the first 150 mm. In this technique the hand excavation shall always lead the mechanical excavation by 150 mm. Once within 300 mm of the gas asset then only hand excavation is allowed.

5.5.3 Hydro-Vacuum Excavation

Where hydro-vacuum excavation is used in the vicinity or to expose existing gas assets, the following conditions must be applied:

- Ensure the general requirements in **Section 5.5.1** are adhered to prior to the works commencing.
- Root cutting heads shall not be used at any time.
- When locating pipelines and mains, a maximum water pressure of 2500 PSI (17200 kPa) may be used to a depth no greater than 450 mm. Below this depth, the maximum water pressure shall be set in accordance with **Table 10** for the asset type in the vicinity.
- When locating customer offtakes (services), a maximum water pressure of 2500 PSI (17200 kPa) may be used to a depth no greater than 300 mm. Below this depth, the maximum water pressure shall be set in accordance with **Table 10** for the asset type in the vicinity.
- Where air is used in place of water the air pressure shall not exceed 175 PSI (1200 kPa).
- A minimum distance of 200 mm shall be maintained between the nozzle tip and subsoil and vertical movements avoided (i.e. nozzle shall not touch or be inserted into soil).
- The wand shall never remain motionless during excavation. Aiming directly at the gas asset shall be avoided at all times.
- NDD vacuum equipment must not come into contact (impact) with the pipe or coating.
- Once a gas asset has been exposed via hydro-vacuum methods, a visual check must be undertaken to ensure no damage has occurred to the pipe or its coating. Damage caused to the pipe coating by the third party will be chargeable.
- A dead man trigger or similar, shall be installed and used on the wand.
- If conduits are to be installed for identification of the gas assets location the conduit shall be offset to one side and recorded or a flexible conduit installed over the gas asset. The placement of PVC pipes directly on the gas asset may cause damage to the pipe coating and require repair at the contractor's expense.
- Vacuum excavated holes shall be cleaned of any rocks and debris and backfilled with a minimum 300 mm of sand.

Personnel operating NDD equipment shall monitor ground conditions to determine and adjust for the lowest water pressure setting and vacuum used to adequately expose the gas asset. The objective shall be to use the lowest possible pressure and vacuum required to adequately excavate in order to minimise risk of coating and/or pipe damage. **Table 10** provides the maximum water pressure to be used for various pipe and coating types.

Table 10 Maximum Water Pressure for Hydro-Vacuum Excavation

Pipe / Coating Type		Max. Water Pressure (PSI)	Pipe / Coating Type	Max. Water Pressure (PSI)
Steel	Coal Tar Enamel Coated	1,000	Steel – Mummified fittings (e.g. valves, flanges)	Not Permitted
	Polyethylene Tape Coated	1,000	Cast Iron	1,000
	Polyethylene Coated	2,000	Polyethylene	2,000
	Trilaminate Coated	2,000	Nylon or PVC	1,500
	FBE or HBE Coated	2,000	Unknown Material or Steel Pipe Coating	1,000
	Uncoated	2,500		

5.5.4 Mechanical Excavation

Prior to commencing any excavation works the general requirements in **Section 5.5.1** must be adhered to.

Where works are to be carried out within 3 m of the gas alignment and to 1 m of the known gas main depth, the contractor is required to pothole and expose the gas asset as outlined in **Section 5.5.5**.

Prior to the mechanical excavation commencing ensure the excavator is in working order and all pre-start equipment checks are completed.

Excavators with general purpose buckets (e.g. mud bucket, general purpose teeth) up to 30 tonnes are permitted to conduct mechanical excavations in the vicinity of existing APA gas assets in accordance with APA requirements. Any variation of excavator size or bucket type will require assessment and approval by APA Networks. Buckets with any type of tiger or penetration teeth are not permitted unless explicitly approved by APA Networks.

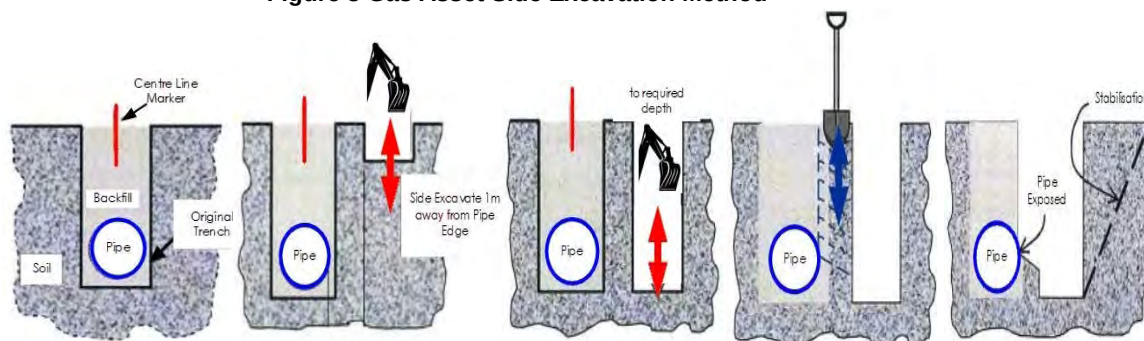
Critical Gas Assets

No mechanical equipment shall be used within 1 m of the potholed depth of the critical gas asset, except under explicit on site direction from an APA representative (i.e. APA Site Watch).

Under no circumstances is mechanical equipment to be used within 300 mm of any gas asset.

Once the gas asset has been positively proven, as outlined in **Section 5.5.2**, mechanical excavations can commence at a minimum of 300 mm offset from the outer edge of the pipe. The third party shall not mechanical excavate directly over a critical gas asset, with hand excavation only directly over the alignment or to expose the asset.

Figure 3 Gas Asset Side Excavation Method



Non-Critical Gas Assets

Mechanical excavation is permitted directly over the top of non-critical gas assets however **under no circumstances is mechanical excavation equipment to be used within 300 mm of any gas asset**. If the third party is in doubt with regards to the criticality of the gas asset, then the excavation method outlined for critical gas assets shall be used.

Prior to the mechanical excavation commencing, the asset shall be physically proved as outlined in **Section 5.5.2**. Once the depth has been physically proven the third party can proceed with excavating around the gas asset until within 300 mm. From this point hand excavation or NDD is required.

5.5.6 Protection During Exposure

Additional protection measures are required where an exposed gas asset may be subject to impact from construction activities, sagging of exposed pipe and trench instability. Any works requiring exposure and protection of the gas asset should have an accompanying methodology and approval by APA Networks.

Physical protection (e.g. structural steel protection, sandbags, wrapped with split PVC pipe) should be installed around the exposed gas asset when exposed, particularly when new infrastructure is planned to be installed crossing below the gas asset. If the gas asset is to be exposed for longer than one day or otherwise left unattended, suitable barricades, security fencing and/ or steel plates will be required to provide protection from vehicles, dropped objects (such as construction materials) or vandalism.

Unsupported exposed pipe lengths require protection from sagging by using suitable supports such as sandbags or slings. Where slings or other support types come into contact with the gas asset, protection methods must be employed (e.g. wrapped with split PVC pipe) to prevent damage to the existing pipe or coating. Exposed unsupported joints must also be identified and supported during works. The maximum allowable length of exposed pipe without support is provided in **Table 11**.

Table 11 Maximum Unsupported Lengths of Exposed Pipe

Table 22 Maximum Unsupported Lengths of Pipe by Type			
Gas Asset Diameter (mm)	Steel Maximum Unsupported Length (mm)	Polyethylene Maximum Unsupported Length (mm)	Other Material Maximum Unsupported Length (mm)
≤20	2,000	1,500	1,500 (Note 1)
>20 & ≤63	2,800	2,000	
>63 & ≤100	3,600	3,000	
>100 & ≤150	4,200		
>150 & ≤250	5,000		
>250	5,700		

Note 1: Particular care should be taken for other materials include cast iron, PVC or nylon due to the unpredictable nature of the joints.

Additional protection and support during trench or bell-hole excavation works to minimise ground instability may also be necessary to protect the integrity of existing gas assets during exposure works. Trenches are to be inspected prior to commencing works each day and monitored by the onsite party responsible for the excavation. APA shall be notified of any condition likely to affect the stability of trench.

Any deep excavations, within 3 m of a gas asset, shall be designed and constructed such that the effects of subsidence, collapse or extreme weather will not affect the gas asset. Any such excavations prepared by a third party must be accompanied by certification from a registered practising engineer (RPEQ required for works in Queensland, and so on as required for other States and Territories) confirming that the design is adequate to protect the gas asset.

5.5.7 Backfill and Reinstatement

Prior to backfilling, a minimum of 150 mm of bedding sand must be placed around all gas assets. Bedding sand shall be in accordance with APA specification **400-SP-L-0002**, which can be provided to third parties upon request. The bedding must be compacted in accordance with **Section 5.10**, including suitable compaction and backfill of the underside of the gas asset to prevent any further vertical movement during subsequent layers above the asset. APA may require geo-fabric installation between different trench reinstatement products to prevent sand migration in which nonwoven fabric is required and needs to extend 1000 mm past either side of the utility crossing.

The bedding material shall be clean, free from all sharp objects, sandbags, clay material, vegetable matter, building debris and disused road paving material to the specification provided by APA. Recycled bedding material and stabilised sand must not be used unless explicitly approved by APA.

The remainder of the excavation shall be backfilled and compacted in accordance with **Section 5.10**, at maximum increments of 300 mm to a density which is similar to the surrounding sub-grade material. Only clean fill material shall be used, preferably the same as the natural soil in the area, and free from ash, weeds and pest plants, salt or any chemicals which could harm the gas assets. Where required, concrete slabbing shall be installed in accordance with **Section 5.4**.

In all circumstances gas warning tape / marker board shall be installed in accordance with the following requirements:

- Gas warning tape installed at 300 mm below finished surface level.
- Gas marker board installed 300 mm above the top of the pipe.

Note, where gas warning tape cannot be installed 300 mm below the finished surface level due to road pavement box out, marker board is to be installed 50 mm below the box out work zone.

In situations where a physical protection slab or bridging slab has been utilised an additional layer of gas marker board must be installed 50 mm above the slabbing.

The excavated area is to be reinstated to the original condition or as approved by APA and the relevant local council, road authority or landowner as applicable. Any marker signs removed during excavation works must also be reinstated in original positions. Additional marker signs may be required at new infrastructure crossings as directed by APA.

5.6 Trenchless Excavation

Trenchless excavation covers horizontal directional drilling (**HDD**), boring, pipe bursting and tunnelling. These activities are considered high risk that require additional controls to prevent damage to existing gas assets. This includes proving the existing gas asset location and depth for all horizontal bores, as well as providing a witness trench to verify that the bore will pass the asset with sufficient separation.

A witness trench must be used in addition to live electronic tracking of the bore head. The witness trench must be prepared to the specification provided in **Table 12**. The progressive measurement of the length of the bore must also be made and plotted along its proposed direction to ensure the bore head has not missed the witness trench. The bore head must be exposed in the witness trench, when the crossing is above the existing gas asset.

For all assets installed via trenchless excavation a vertical separation aligning with the maximum borehole diameter (e.g. reamed diameter) shall be demonstrated. For transmission pressure and distribution pressure assets this vertical separation distance is 1000 mm and 600 mm, respectively.

If the works run parallel to a transmission pressure or critical gas assets a minimum separation distance of 3 m must be maintained. For non-critical gas assets, the minimum separation distance of 1 m must be maintained. For works running parallel to gas assets, proving of the actual location of the gas asset must occur every 4 m.

Note: It is expected that HDD operators working near gas assets hold the national competency RIICCM202 – Identify, location and protect underground service.

Table 12 Minimum Witness Trench Dimensions

Crossing Type	Witness Trench Depth	Witness Trench Dimensions
Crossing Above Existing Gas Asset	To bottom (invert) of gas asset	Witness trench shall be 1000 mm to 2000 mm in front of the gas asset on the approach side.
Crossing Below Existing Gas Asset	To bottom (invert) of gas asset plus 500 mm	Witness trench shall be min. 1500 mm long and 300 mm wide centred on bore centre line.

Dispensation may be considered where detailed long sections are provided for assessment by APA and where depths of existing gas assets or separation to the bore are greater than 2500 mm.

Pipe bursting is not permitted within 1000 mm of an existing gas asset.

5.7 Piles, Piers or Poles

No piling such as pile-driving, sheet-piling or hammer-piling is permitted within 15 m of an existing gas asset unless explicit consent has been provided by APA. In all instances, vertical bored (augured) piles, piers or poles are preferred.

Where installation of piles, piers or poles are proposed between 500 mm and 1000 mm clearance from a gas asset (distribution and transmission pressures, respectively), the area directly below the proposed pile, pier or post location must be excavated to a level equivalent to the bottom (invert) of the existing gas asset, and works started from that depth.

Note: Proving of the gas asset must be completed in accordance with the requirements set out in **Section 5.5.2** prior to the commencement of any works.

Temporary steel plates may also be installed between the gas asset and the proposed pile, pier or post used for vertical bore methods within this clearance to provide extra protection.

Note: Direct vibration monitoring on the gas main may be required depending upon the installation method utilised. Refer to **Section 5.9** for APA Networks vibration limits.

5.8 Hot Works for Construction Activities

Typical hot works include grinding, welding, thermal or oxygen cutting or heating, and other related heat producing or spark-producing operations. Heat sources or hot works must not impact gas assets, taking into consideration that the ground or adjacent structures may also be capable of transmitting heat.

In order to safely undertake hot works, response procedures in the event of fire or flammable gas detection must be prepared and monitoring for flammable gases must be undertaken during works.

APA must approve any hot works where there is less than 300 mm ground cover to buried gas assets, or within 5,000 mm of any exposed gas assets (including any pits or valve covers). A heat shield or barrier may be required to provide protection if it cannot be demonstrated that works can be undertaken without impacting the gas asset.

5.9 Vibration Limits

Significant vibration may arise from activities such as blasting, piling, tunnelling and HDD/boring.

To avoid damage to existing APA Networks operated pipes and coatings, the following vibration limits must not be exceeded at any point on the pipe:

- For cast iron mains: 5 mm/s maximum Peak Particle Velocity (**PPV**) measured on the pipe.
- For steel pipe with a coal tar enamel (**CTE**) coating or with poor coating health: 10 mm/s maximum PPV measured on the pipe.
- For non-coal tar enamel pipe coatings and other pipe materials (i.e. steel, PE, PVC or Nylon): 20 mm/s maximum PPV measured on the pipe.

- d) For blasting, the above vibration limits can be increased if supported by calculations in accordance with Design Guidelines for Buried Steel Pipeline – American Lifelines Alliance American Society of Civil Engineers (**ASCE**) and approved in writing by an APA Networks Integrity Engineer.

Note: Cast iron mains are particularly susceptible to damage by vibration. The PPV limit may not prevent leaks from cast iron and may require additional gas leakage survey activities during works in accordance with **Section 5.3**.

For vibration monitoring adopt an alarm at 80% of the acceptable PPV value and when the alarm is activated, the work must stop and be re-assessed. Short incursions up to 100% are acceptable, for sustained periods of vibration longer than 5 minutes, works must be stopped.

The zone of influence for vibration assessment undertaken by the third party is shown below;

- For compaction, refer to **Table 13**.
- For trenchless excavation (HDD/ boring), refer to **Section 5.6**.
- For piling refer to **Section 5.7**.
- For blasting refer to **Section 5.11**.

5.10 Compaction Limits

Compaction activities such as establishing a base course for a road pavement may result in damage to the pipes and coatings of existing gas assets. Compaction limits in the vicinity of existing gas assets are summarised in **Table 13**.

Table 13 Maximum Compaction Limits

Horizontal Separation (m)	Minimum Cover to Top of Gas Asset (mm)	Compaction Limits
≤3 (Note 1)	300	Small handheld compactor only
	500	Large handheld compactor Maximum 4 tonne tandem drum static roller
	750	Maximum 8 tonne tandem drum static roller
	1200	Maximum 10 tonne tandem drum static roller subject to APA approval
>3 & ≤10	All	Maximum 8 tonne tandem drum vibrating roller
>10 & ≤15	All	Maximum 10 tonne tandem drum vibrating roller
>15	All	Any compaction method

Note 1: Compaction within 3 m of gas assets is limited to static rollers. If vibration compaction is necessary a robust vibration assessment and construction methodology signed off by an RPEQ for works in Queensland, and so on as required for other States and Territories, will need to be produced by the third party for review and approval by an APA Networks Integrity Engineer.

5.11 Blasting / Seismic Survey / Explosives

Blasting, seismic survey or the use of explosives is not permitted within 100 m of a gas asset unless explicit approval is provided by APA Networks. The size and quantity of the explosives to be used will determine how close to the pipeline blasting will be permitted. In all cases, blasting methods must be arranged to limit ground vibrations so that the peak particle velocity does not exceed acceptable limits. At no stages will blasting be permitted within 3 m of the pipeline.

5.12 Suspended Materials above Gas Assets and No Go Zones for Cranes

Where gas assets are exposed, no cranes, excavators or backhoes are permitted to carry or suspend materials directly over or across a gas asset without an APA Networks approved lifting plan and SWMS.

Outriggers must be set up outside a 3 m radius from gas assets unless otherwise approved by APA Networks in writing.

5.13 Temporary Materials

In all instances it is preferred that temporary materials (e.g. soil, shipping containers) are not stored on top of transmission pressure and critical gas assets. Temporary material must not restrict access and should be placed at least 1,500 mm from the alignment of these assets unless otherwise approved by APA Networks.

6 PART 4 - ALTERATION OF EXISTING GAS ASSETS

Where the proposed third party works do not comply with the requirements of this document, and adequate additional controls or a specialised engineering solutions cannot be developed, alteration of the existing gas assets will be required.

Gas asset alterations will only be undertaken under a Recoverable Works Agreement (**RWA**) appropriate to the scope and extent of the works required.

An Early Works Agreement (**EWA**) may also be required where works are proposed which require proving, engineering design activities or purchase of long lead items. This will allow for completion of these items prior to execution of a RWA and avoid delaying works.

If either or both these agreements are required, then APA Networks will enter negotiations with the relevant third party and any costs will be payable by that third party.

7 GLOSSARY OF TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Table 14 Glossary of Terms and Abbreviations

Term/ Abbreviation	Meaning
AGN	Australian Gas Networks
APA	Each entity that forms part of the APA Group
APA Engineering Assessment	Covers technical assessments which may involve field integrity assessments that may or may not include the use of specialist Consultants managed by APA.
APA Networks Operated Assets	APA Networks acts as the asset operator on behalf of entities Australian Gas Networks (AGN), Allgas, APA, Origin and Queensland Nitrates (QNP) and operates in New South Wales, Northern Territory, Queensland, South Australia and Victoria.
APA Permit Issuing Officer	The APA Permit Issuing Officer is responsible for opening the Permit To Work, validating APA Networks assets have been located and being the Site Watch for works within the gas Easement or Protected Zone.
AS	Australian Standard
ASCE	American Society of Civil Engineers
ATWP	Authority to Work Permit
CTE	Coal Tar Enamel
Damage	Physical damage to and interference with APA's assets. Damage includes reducing design life, coating damage, dents, scratches, rupture, cutting of cathodic protection cables. Damage can also include potential impacts that APA pipelines can have on third party assets.
BYDA	Before You Dig Australia (previously known as Dial Before You Dig (DBYD))
DCVG	Direct Current Voltage Gradient
Depth of Cover	Vertical distance from the existing natural ground surface to the top of the buried gas asset
EPR	Earth Potential Rise
ESV	Energy Safe Victoria
EWA	Early Works Agreement

Excavation	Excavation refers to manual digging or mechanised digging operation with plant or equipment which involves trenching and trenchless excavation. Trenchless excavation covers boring, Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD), pipe bursting and tunnelling.
FBE	Fusion Bonded Epoxy
GIS	Geographic Information System
HBE	High Build Epoxy
HDD	Horizontal Directional Drilling
Hot Works	Hot works are defined as grinding, welding, thermal or oxygen cutting or heating, and other related heat-producing or spark-producing operations. Heat sources or hot works must not impact pipelines, taking into consideration that the ground or adjacent structures may also be capable of transmitting heat.
LFI	Low Frequency Induction
LPG	Liquefied Petroleum Gas
MAOP	Maximum Allowable Operating Pressure
Measurement Length	The maximum length of pipeline route which presents an extended source of hazard on the basis that an event of failure could affect any part of the development or specific location relevant to the development. The maximum length corresponds to the heat radiation hazard associated with a 4.7 kW/m² heat radiation contour for an ignited full bore rupture calculated in accordance with AS/NZS 2885.6. If the pipeline is designed as a no rupture pipe, then the measurement length corresponds to a credible leak size.
NDD	Non-Destructive Digging (NDD) refers to either hand digging or Non-Destructive Pot Holing using a vacuum pipe connected to a vacuum truck with either a water lance or air lance. Hydro-Vacuum Excavation consists of a water lance and vacuum truck and is used to physically prove existing assets.
OHEW	Overhead Earth Wire
PE	Polyethylene
Pipe Bursting	Pipe bursting refers to a pipe being inserted to a larger pipe that results in the larger pipe being damaged. For an example of pipe bursting, refer to the following You-Tube video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HX5beh0ubGY
Pipeline Easement	The pipeline area shown on a survey plan and referenced on the property title.
Predominate Building Line	The expected predominate building line relates to the façade of the building, not necessarily the property boundary.
Protected Zone	A Protected Zone is an area extending both horizontally and longitudinally along a gas asset. It is the area where loads and/or any hot works may potentially cause damage to the gas asset.

	The Protected Zone refers to works near APA Networks gas assets or works within the vicinity of the gas assets that may cause an unacceptable risk to the asset in accordance with Table 2 Minimum Clearances or Table 3 Minimum Clearances for Construction Works and Land Use Activities
PTW	Permit to Work
PPV	Peak Particle Velocity
PVC	Polyvinyl Chloride
QNP	Queensland Nitrates Plant
RPEQ	Registered Profession Engineer Queensland
RWA	Recoverable Works Agreement
Sensitive Use Locations	This is designated as Class “S” as per AS/NZS 2885.6 Pipelines - Gas and liquid petroleum - Pipeline safety management and refers to the sub location class. Sensitive Use Location Class (S) identifies land where the consequences of a FAILURE EVENT may be increased because it is developed for use by sectors of the community who may be unable to protect themselves from the consequences of a pipeline FAILURE EVENT. Sensitive uses are defined as follows: • Schools which includes colleges • Hospitals • Aged care facilities such as nursing homes, elderly people’s homes • Prisons and jails • Convalescent homes • Sheltered housing • Buildings with five or more stories • Large community and leisure facilities, large open air gatherings • Day care facilities • Other potentially difficult to evacuate facilities • Other structures as defined by relevant local councils. The Sensitive Use Location Class “S” must be assigned to any section of a gas transmission pipeline where there is a sensitive development within the applicable Measurement Length.

Site Watch	An APA Site Watch representative can be the Permit Issuing Officer for excavation work within a gas Easement or Protected Zone and is referred to as the primary spotter for excavation works. The secondary spotter is provided by the Contractor. The primary spotter has the ultimate decision regarding works within the gas Easement or Protected Zone which includes the method of excavation, starting and stopping excavation work. The APA Site Watch representative is the nominated competent person responsible for the following; • Making themselves highly visible and everyone on the job site should be aware of the Site Watch's role; • Communication to personnel operating mobile plant and equipment ensuring minimum clearance to above and below ground assets is maintained and the construction methodology is adhered to and complies with APA Networks requirements. Ensuring personnel do not encroach within the swing radius of the operating machinery.
SMS	Safety Management Study
SMWS	Safe Work Method Statement used by APA or Contractors to execute field work. The risks and associated control measures risk assessments should be transferred to SWMS.
SRZ	Structural Root Zone
Structures	Structures refer to third party structures which includes, but is not limited to; temporary or permanent buildings, walls, canopies, footings, pile caps or retaining walls
Third Party	The person or entity and their agents or Contractors that propose to undertake work near APA assets.
Third Party Assets	Third Party Assets include roads, utilities and structures.
Third Party Excavation	Third Party Excavation which is not associated with APA (e.g. road works, utility installation, private development, fencing).
Third Party Works Classification	The Third Party Work Classification as shown in Section 3.3 covers the following three work classifications: 1. No Impact to gas assets 2. No Objection Under Conditions 3. Enquiry Escalated for Alteration
Transmission Pipeline	Gas transmission pipeline which includes all associated equipment such as cathodic protection, earthing grid, instrumentation and electrical cables.
Utilities	Includes water, wastewater, drainage, telecommunications cables, power poles and cables owned by individuals or organisations other than APA Networks.
Voltage	Difference of potential normally between conductors or between conductors and earth as follows: a) Extra-low voltage – Not exceeding 50V a.c. or 120 V ripple-free d.c. b) Low voltage – Exceeding extra-low voltage, but not exceeding 1000 V a.c. or 1500 V d.c.

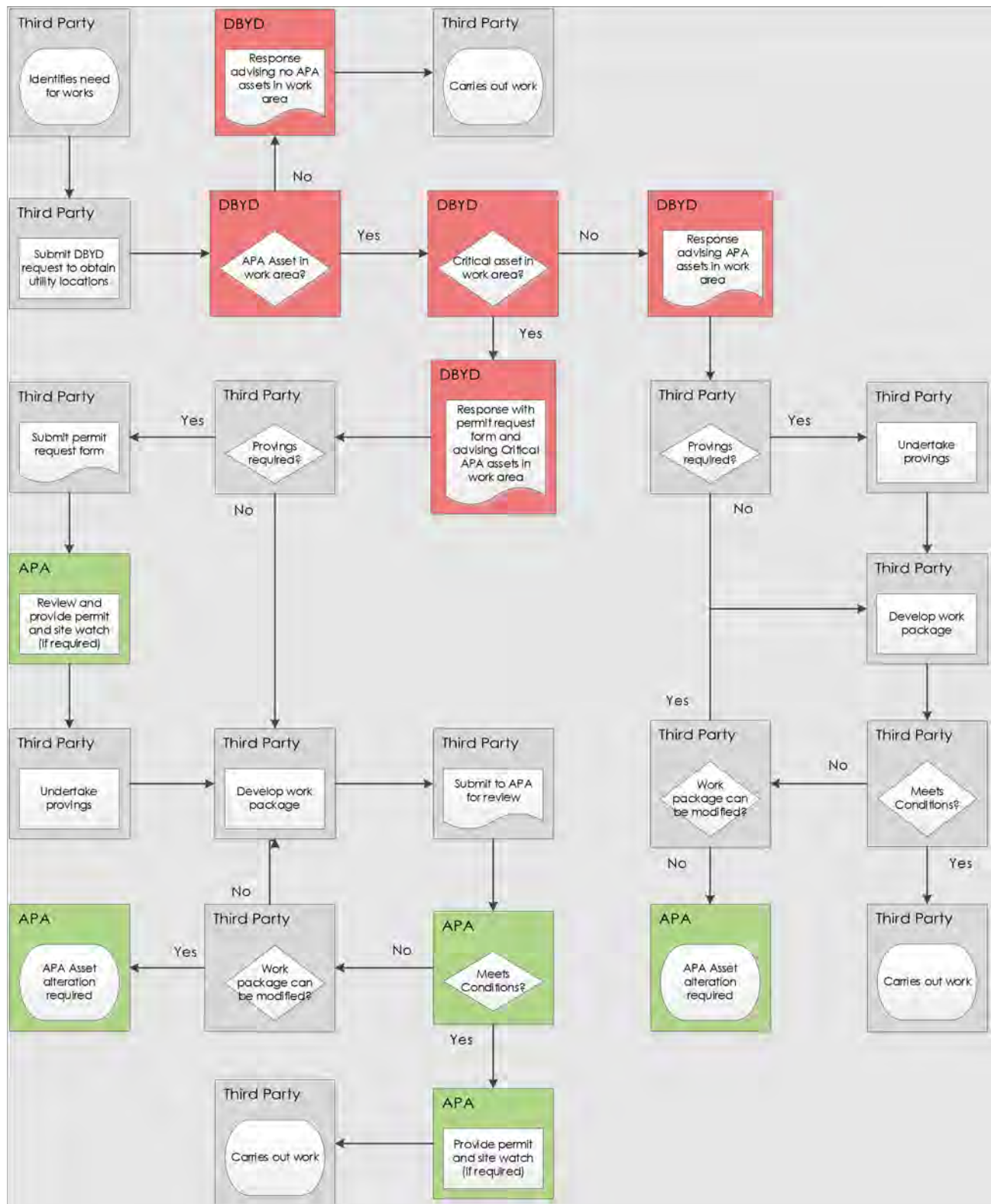
	c) High voltage – Exceeding low voltage.
Works	The development of any type of buildings, structures and other obstructions (including residential buildings, pools, sheds, carports, major developments, transport infrastructure, services, stockpiles, trees), and any work that causes changes to the ground (including movement of heavy vehicles, blasting, tunnelling, pile driving, ground compaction, earthworks, open and trenchless excavations)

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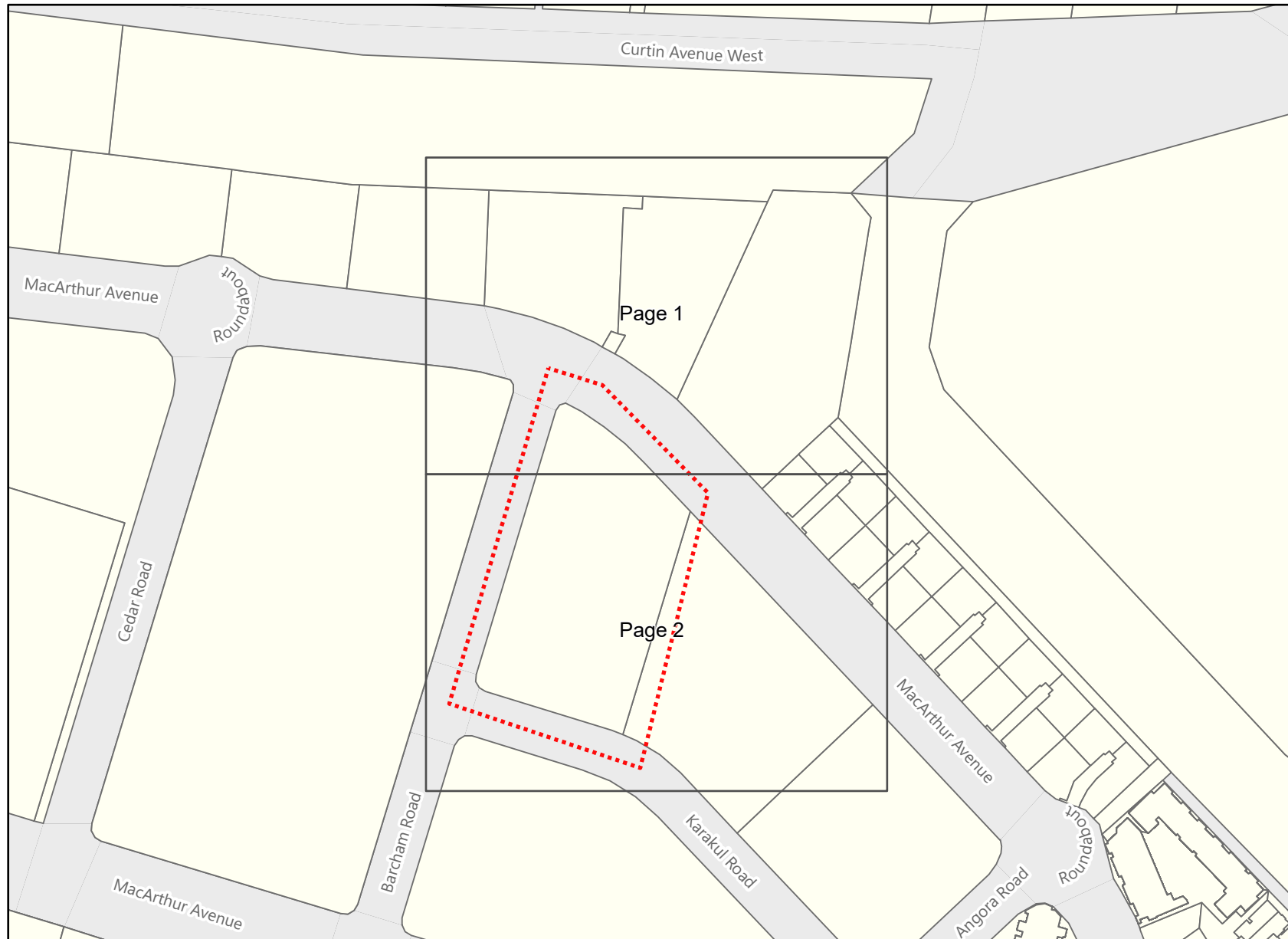
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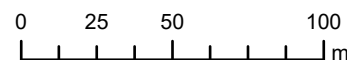
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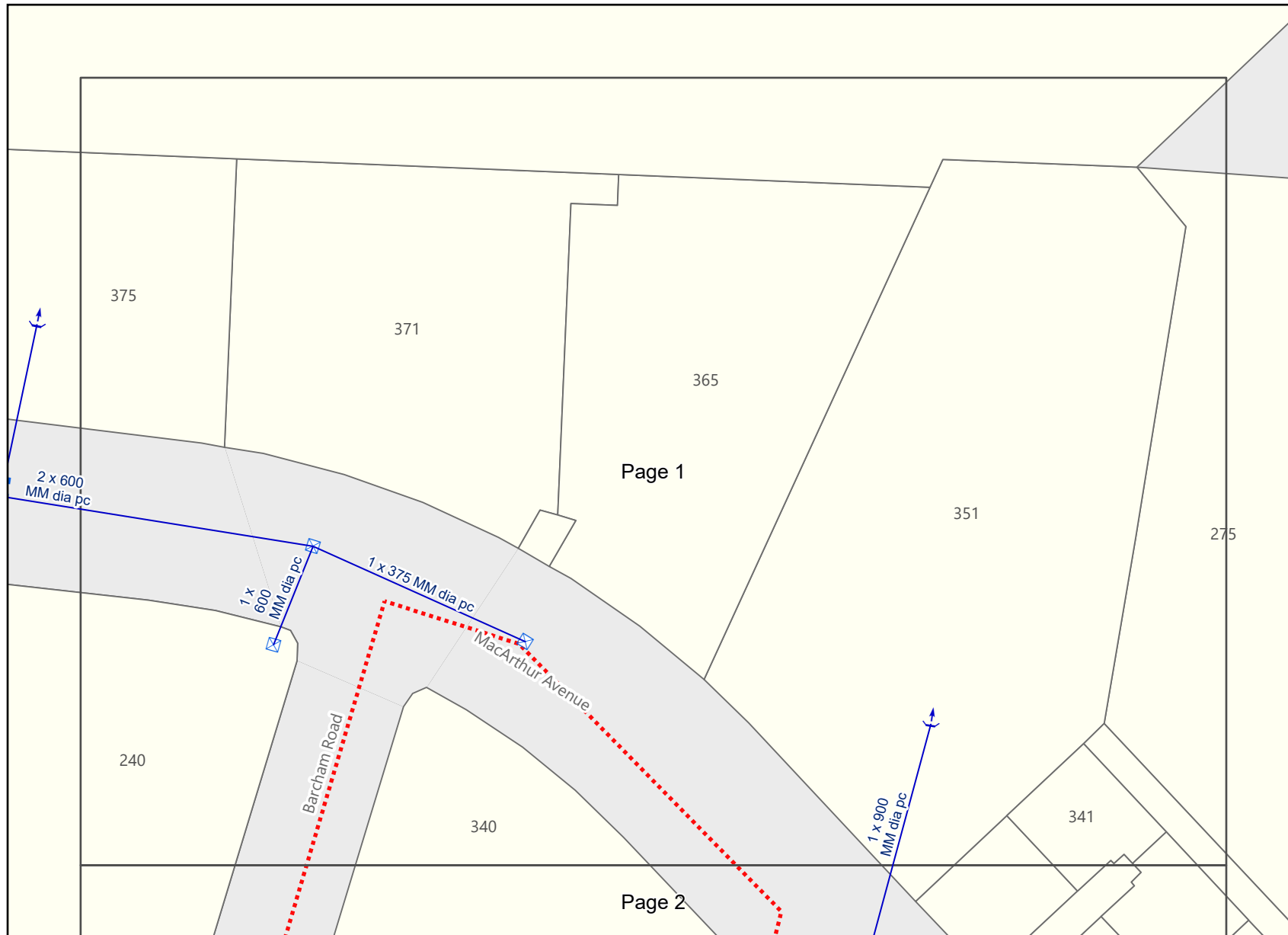
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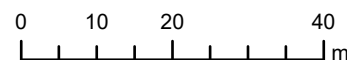
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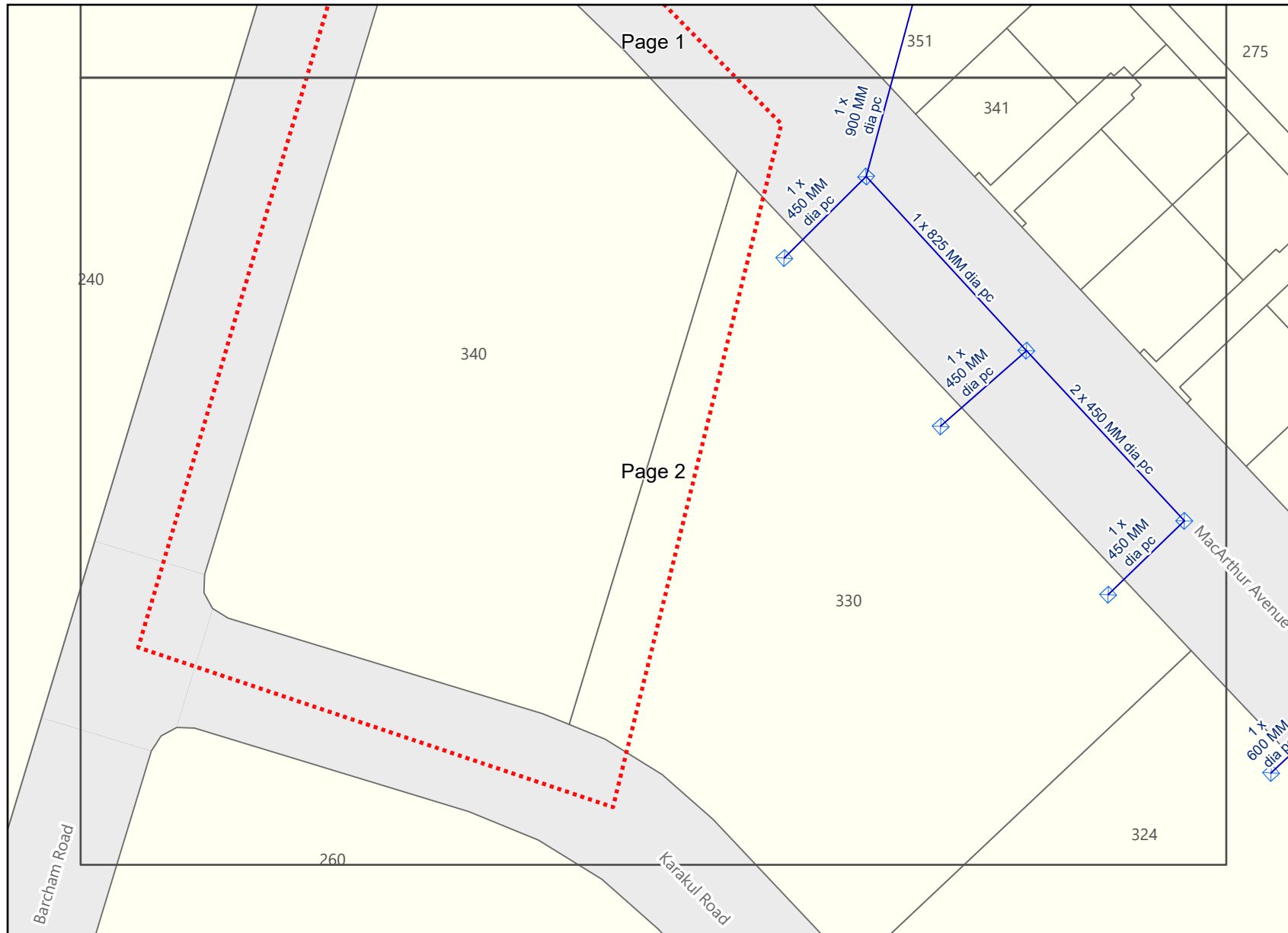
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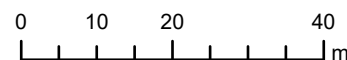
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Assets and Planned Assets found Before You Dig Australia (BYDA) Request

Please DO NOT SEND A REPLY to this email as it has been automatically generated and replies are not monitored.

Our search has revealed there is existing and planned Energex Assets within the defined search area.

They are shown on the attached plan.

There is a possibility the planned Assets may have been installed prior to your enquiry.

You:

Matthew Sauer

BYDA Enquiry No:

264869632

Company:

Not Supplied

Date of Response:

27 Nov 2025

Search Location:

280 Macarthur Avenue
Hamilton,
QLD 4007

Period of Plan Validity:

4 Weeks

External Comments (if any):

WARNING: When working in the vicinity of Energex's Assets You have a legal Duty of Care that must be observed.

It is important that You note:

1. Immediately report life threatening emergencies to Emergency Services on **000** or to ENERGEX on **13 19 62**.
2. Please read and understand all the information and disclaimers provided - including the Terms and Conditions on the attached pages.
3. We have only searched the area which has been nominated in the request. If this nominated area is not what You require, please resubmit another enquiry with BYDA.
4. Plans provided by ENERGEX are only an indication of the presence of underground assets within the nominated area. Locations provided are approximate and the plans are not suitable for scaling purposes, as exact ground cover and alignments cannot be provided. You must confirm the exact location of underground electrical equipment by use of an electronic cable locator followed by careful, non-mechanical excavation (ie, potholing).
5. Plans provided by ENERGEX do not encompass ENERGEX's overhead Assets.
6. ENERGEX, its servants or agents shall not be liable for any loss or damage caused or occasioned by the use of plans and details supplied pursuant to the BYDA Request and You agree to indemnify ENERGEX against any claim or demand for any such loss or damage to You, Your servants or Your agents.

7. You are responsible for any damage to Assets caused by works pursuant to or in any way connected with this BYDA Request.
8. In addition to Assets marked on attached plan, there could be underground earth conductors, underground substation earth conductors, Multiple Earthed Network (MEN) conductors, Single Wire Earth Return (SWER) Substation Earth Conductors, Air Break Switch (ABS) Earth Mats or Consumer Mains in the vicinity or private underground cables (inc. consumers' mains that may run from ENERGEX mains onto private property) in the vicinity of the nominated work area(s) that are not marked on the plans.
9. Independent underground cable locators can be found via the [Certified Locator website](#) with LV Cable (up to 1kV), HV Cable (1kV-<33kV) & HV cable (33kV and over) displayed.
10. The ENERGEX Before You Dig Australia (BYDA) information map(s) provide the vicinity of underground cable and will not be adequate for conveyancing purposes. A Request for Search (Property Search) can be arranged through ENERGEX.
11. The attached plans are only valid for a period of four weeks from receipt. If excavation does not commence within four weeks, a new plan must be obtained.
12. The ENERGEX BYDA map (named maps.pdf) may contain shaded area(s), indicating the location of planned work(s). Should You find planned works that You believe may affect Your planned work(s), please contact the ENERGEX BYDA team on the details listed below.
13. ENERGEX may contact You to discuss Your proposed excavation in the vicinity of feeders identified on the attached plan(s).
14. Do not access any Assets, for example conduits, cables, pits or cabinets.
15. Your work will need to comply with:
 - [Working near overhead and underground electric lines - Electrical safety code of practice 2020](#)
 - [Managing Electrical Risk in Workplace Electrical Safety Code of Practice \(2013\)](#)
 - [Excavation Work Code of Practice \(2021\)](#)
16. **NOTE:** Where Your proposed work location contains ENERGEX 33kV or greater Underground cables please access the [Energex before you dig Website](#) for more information.

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VOLTAGE**

LEGEND

- Substation
- Cable Marker
- Pit
- Pole
- Pillar
- LV Cable (up to 1kV)
- HV Cable (1kV - <33kV)
- HV Cable (33kV and over)
- Pit Boundary
- Planned Work Area

AS5488 Category "D" Plan



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**CAUTION - HIGH
VOLTAGE**

LEGEND

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- Pit
- Pole
- Pillar
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**CAUTION - HIGH
VOLTAGE**

LEGEND

- Substation
- Cable Marker
- Pit
- Pole
- Pillar
- LV Cable (up to 1kV)
- HV Cable (1kV - <33kV)
- HV Cable (33kV and over)
- Pit Boundary
- Planned Work Area

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Tile No: **Tile No: 3**

CAUTION - HIGH
VOLTAGE

LEGEND

- Substation
- Cable Marker
- Pit
- Pole
- Pillar
- LV Cable (up to 1kV)
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CAUTION - HIGH VOLTAGE

LEGEND

- Substation
- Cable Marker
- Pit
- Pole
- Pillar
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Responsibilities – (When Working in the Vicinity of Energex Assets)

Extreme care must be taken during non-mechanical or mechanical excavation as damage to Energex Assets can lead to injury or death of workers or members of the public. Assets include underground cables, conduits and other associated underground Asset used for controlling, generating, supplying, transforming or transmitting electricity.

In accordance with the Electrical Safety Act 2002, a Person Conducting a Business or Undertaking (PCBU) must ensure the person's business or undertaking is conducted in a way that is electrically safe. This includes:

- a) ensuring that all Assets used in the conduct of the person's business or undertaking are electrically safe;
- b) if the person's business or undertaking includes the performance of electrical work, ensuring the electrical safety of all persons and property likely to be affected by the electrical work; and
- c) if the person's business or undertaking includes the performance of work, whether or not electrical work, involving contact with, or being near to, exposed parts, ensuring persons performing the work are electrically safe.

In addition, a PCBU at a workplace must ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that no person, Asset or thing at the workplace comes within an unsafe distance of an underground electric line.

Workers and other persons must also take reasonable care for their own and other person's electrical safety. This includes complying, so far as is reasonably able, with any reasonable instructions given by Energex to ensure compliance with the [Electrical Safety Act 2002](#)

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The following matters must be considered when working near Energex Assets:

The PCBU must ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that no person, Asset or thing at the workplace comes within an unsafe distance of an underground electric line (see section 68 of the [Electrical Safety Regulation 2013](#))

1. It is the responsibility of the architect, consulting engineer, developer and head contractor in the project planning stages to design for minimal impact and protection of Energex Assets.
2. It is the constructor's responsibility to:
 - a) Anticipate and request plans of Energex Assets for a location at a reasonable time before construction begins.
 - b) Visually locate Energex Assets by hand or vacuum excavation where construction activities may damage or interfere with Energex Assets.
 - c) notify Energex if the information provided is found to be not accurate or Assets are found on site that are not recorded on the Energex BYDA plans.
 - d) Read and understand all the information and disclaimers provided.

Note: A constructor may include but not limited to a PCBU, Designer, Project Manager, Installer, Contractor, Electrician, Builder, Engineer or a Civil Contractor

3. Comply with applicable work health and safety and electrical safety codes of practice including but not limited to:
 - a) Working near Assets – [Electrical safety codes of practice 2020](#)
 - b) Managing electrical risk in the workplace – [Managing Electrical Risks in the workplace Code of Practice 2021](#)
 - c) [Excavation work – Code of practice 2021](#)

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- As the alignment and boundaries of roadways with other properties (and roads within roadways) frequently change, the alignments and boundaries contained within Energex plans and maps will frequently differ from present alignments and boundaries "on the ground". Accordingly, in every case where it appears that alignments and boundaries have shifted, or new roadways have been added, the constructor should obtain confirmation of the actual position of Energex cables and pipelines under the roadways. In no case should the constructor rely on statements of third parties in relation to the position of Energex cables and pipelines. It is the applicant's responsibility to accurately locate all services as part of the design and/or prior to excavation.
- Energex does not provide information on private underground installations, including consumers' mains that may run from Energex mains onto private property. Assets located on private property are the responsibility of the owner for identification and location.
- Energex plans are circuit diagrams or pipe indication diagrams only and indicate the presence of Asset in the general vicinity of the geographical area shown. Exact ground cover and alignments cannot be given with any certainty; as such levels can change over time.
- All underground conduits are presumed to contain asbestos. Refer to the:
 - [Electrical safety codes of practice 2020](#)
 - [Model Code of Practice: How to manage and control asbestos in the workplace | Safe Work Australia](#)
 - [How to manage and control asbestos in the workplace code of practice 2021 \(Workplace Health and Safety Queensland \(WHSQ\)\)](#)
 - [How to safely remove asbestos code of practice 2021 \(WHSQ\)](#)
- Plans provided by Energex are not guaranteed to show the presence of above ground Assets.
- In addition to underground cables marked on attached plan there could be underground substation, underground earth conductors, Multiple Earthed Neutral(MEN) conductors, Single Wire Earth Return(SWER), substation Earth Conductors, ABS Earth Mats or Consumer Mains in the vicinity of private underground cables (inc. consumers' mains that may run from Energex mains onto private property) in the vicinity of the nominated work area(s) that are not marked on the plans.
- Being aware of Your obligations including but not limited to [ss 304, 305] Excavation work— underground essential services information under the [Work Health and Safety Regulation 2011](#) , Chapter 6 Construction work, Part 6.3 Duties of person conducting business or undertaking. This includes but is not limited to taking reasonable steps to obtain the current information & providing this information to persons engaged to carry out the excavation work. For further information please refer to: - <http://www.legislation.qld.gov.au/LEGISLTN/SLS/2011/11SL240.pdf>
- Energex plans are designed to be printed in colour and as an A3 Landscape orientation.

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Conditions – (When Working in the Vicinity of Energex Assets)

Records:

The first step before any excavation commences is to obtain records of Energex Assets in the vicinity of the work. For new work, records should be obtained during the planning and design stage. The records provided by Energex must be made available to all construction groups on site. Where Asset information is transferred to plans for the proposed work, care must be exercised to ensure that important detail is not lost in the process.

Plans and or details provided by Energex are current for four weeks from the date of dispatch and should be disposed of by shredding or any other secure disposal method after use. A new BYDA enquiry must be made for proposed works/activities to be undertaken outside of the four-week period.

Energex retains copyright of all plans and details provided in connection with Your request.

Energex plans or other details are provided for the use of the applicant, its servants, or agents, and shall not be used for any unauthorised purpose.

On receipt of BYDA plans and before commencing excavation work or similar activities near Energex's Assets check to see that it relates to the area You have requested and carefully locate this Asset first to avoid damage. If You are unclear about any information contained in the plan, You must contact Energex on the General Enquiries number listed below for further advice.

Energex, its servants or agents shall not be liable for any loss or damage caused or occasioned by the use of plans and or details so supplied to the applicant, its servants and agents, and the applicant agrees to indemnify Energex against any claim or demand for any such loss or damage.

The contractor is responsible for all Asset damages when works commence prior to obtaining Energex plans, or failure to follow agreed instructions, or failure to demonstrate all reasonable measures were taken to prevent the damage once plans were received from Energex.

Energex reserves all rights to recover compensation for loss or damage caused by interference or damage, including consequential loss and damages to its Assets, or other property.

NOTE: Where Your proposed work location contains Energex 33kV or greater Underground cables please access the [Energex BYDA website](#) for more information.

Location of Assets:

Examining the records is not sufficient, as reference points may change from the time of installation. Records must also be physically proven when working in close proximity to them. The exact location of Assets likely to be affected shall be confirmed by use of an electronic cable and pipe locator followed by **careful hand or vacuum excavation to the level of cable protection cover strips or conduits**. When conducting locations, please be aware that **no** unauthorised access is permitted to Energex Assets– including Pits, Low Voltage Disconnection Boxes, Low Voltage Pillars or High Voltage Link Boxes.

Hand or vacuum excavation must be used in advance of excavators. In any case, where any doubt exists with respect to interpretation of cable records, You must contact Energex on the General Enquires number listed below for further advice.

If the constructor is unable to locate Energex underground Assets within 5 metres of nominal plan locations, they must contact the Energex General Enquires number listed below for further advice.

If unknown cables or conduits (i.e. not shown on issued BYDA plans) are located during excavation:

1. Call the ELECTRICITY EMERGENCIES number listed below
2. Treat Assets as if alive, post a person to keep all others clear of the excavation until Energex crew attend to make safe.
3. All work in the vicinity of damaged Asset must cease and the area must be vacated until a clearance to continue work has been obtained from an Energex officer.

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Asset Installation Methods:

Energex Assets are installed with a variety of protection devices including:

1. Clay paving bricks or tiles marked "Electricity" or similar (also unmarked)
2. Concrete or PVC cover slabs
3. PVC, A/C or fibro conduit, fibre reinforced concrete, iron or steel pipe
4. Concrete encased PVC or steel pipe
5. Thin plastic marker tape
6. Large pipes housing multiple ducts
7. Multiple duct systems, including earthenware or concrete 2, 4, and 6-way ducts and shamrocks

Note: Some Assets are known to be buried without covers and may change depth or alignment along the route.

Excavating Near Assets:

For all work within 2.5 m of nominal location, the constructor is required to hand or vacuum excavate (pothole) and expose the Asset, hence proving its exact location before work can commence.

Cable protection cover strips shall not be disturbed. Excavation below these cover strips, or into the surrounding backfill material is not permitted.

Excavating Parallel to Assets:

If construction work is parallel to Energex cables, then hand or vacuum excavation (potholing) at least every 4m is required to establish the location of all cables, hence confirming nominal locations before work can commence. *Generally, there is no restriction to excavations parallel to Energex cables to a depth not exceeding that of the cable.* **Note: Cable depths & alignment may change suddenly.**

Separation from Assets:

Any service(s) must be located at the minimum separation as per the tables below:

Table 1. Minimum Separation Requirements for Underground Services Running Parallel with Energex Assets

(Minimum Separation required in mm)							
Voltage Level	Gas	Communication or TV	Water		Sanitary drainage		Storm Water
			≤DN 200	>DN200	≤DN 200	>DN 200	
LV	250	100	500	*1000	500	1000	500
HV		300					
*Contact Energex/council to obtain specific separation distances							

Table 2. Minimum Separation Requirements for Underground Services Crossing Energex Assets

(Minimum Separation required in mm)					
Voltage Level	Gas	Communication or TV	Water	Sanitary drainage	Storm Water
LV & HV	100	100	300	300	100

Where the above table does not list a separation requirement for a particular underground service then 300mm shall be used.

Excavating Across Assets:

The standard clearance between services shall be maintained as set down in Table 2 above. If the width or depth of the excavation is such that the Asset will be exposed or unsupported, then Energex shall be contacted to determine whether the Assets should be taken out of service, or whether they need to be protected or supported. In no case shall an Asset cover be removed without approval. An Asset cover may only be removed under the supervision of an Energex authorised representative. Protective cover strips when removed must be replaced under Energex supervision. Under no circumstances shall they be omitted to allow separation between Energex Assets and other services.

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Heavy Machinery Operation Over Assets:

Where heavy "Crawler" or "Vibration" type machinery is operated over the top of Assets, a minimum cover of 450 mm to the cable protective cover mains must be maintained using load bearing protection whilst the machinery is in operation. For sensitive cables (i.e. 33 and 110kV fluid and gas filled cables), there may be additional constraints placed on vibration and settlement by Energex.

Directional Boring Near Assets:

When boring parallel to Assets, it is essential that trial holes are carefully hand or vacuum excavated at regular intervals to prove the actual location of the Asset before using boring machinery. Where it is required to bore across the line of Assets, the actual location of the Asset shall first be proven by hand or vacuum excavation. A trench shall be excavated 1m from the side of the Asset where the auger will approach to ensure a minimum clearance of 500mm above and below all LV, 11kV, 33kV & 110/132kV Asset shall be maintained.

Explosives:

Explosives must not be used within 10 metres of Assets, unless an engineering report is provided indicating that no damage will be sustained. Clearances should be obtained from Energex's Planning Engineer for use of explosives in the vicinity of Energex cables.

Damage Reporting:

All damage to Assets must be reported no matter how insignificant the damage appears to be. Even very minor damage to Asset protective coverings can lead to eventual failure of Assets through corrosion of metal sheaths and moisture ingress.

If any Damaged Asset is found:

1. Call the ELECTRICITY EMERGENCIES number listed below
2. Treat Assets as if alive, post a person to keep all others clear of the excavation until Energex crew attend to make safe.
3. All work in the vicinity of damaged Asset must cease and the area must be vacated until a clearance to continue work has been obtained from an Energex officer.

Solutions and Assistance:

If Asset location plans or visual location of Asset by hand or vacuum excavation reveals that the location of Energex Asset is situated wholly or partly where the developer or constructor plans to work, then Energex shall be contacted to assist with Your development of possible engineering solutions.

If Energex relocation or protection works are part of the agreed solution, then payment to Energex for the cost of this work shall be the responsibility of the, PCBU, principal developer or constructor. Energex will provide an estimated quotation for work on receipt of the PCBU's, developer's or constructor's order number before work proceeds.

It will be necessary for the developer or constructor to provide Energex with a written Safe Work Method Statement for all works in the vicinity of or involving Energex Assets. This Safe Work Method Statement should form part of the tendering documentation and work instruction. Refer Interactive Tool on Safe Work Australia site: [Interactive SWMS guidance tool - Overview \(safeworkaustralia.gov.au\)](https://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/Interactive-SWMS-guidance-tool-Overview)

Vacuum Excavations (Hydro Vac)

When operating hydro vac equipment to excavate in vicinity of Assets fitted with:

- Nonconductive (neoprene rubber or equivalent) vacuum (suction) hose
- Oscillating nozzle on pressure wand with water pressure adjusted to not exceeding 2000 Pound force per Square Inch(PSI).

Maintain a minimum distance of 200mm between end of pressure wand and underground electrical Assets. DO NOT insert the pressure wand jet directly into subsoil.

Ensure pressure wand is not directly aimed at underground electrical Assets (cables/conduits).

Safety Notices (Underground Work)

It is recommended that You obtain a written Safety Advice from Energex when working close to Energex Assets. For Safety Advice please contact custserve@energex.com.au

Further information on Working Safely around Energex Assets: [Working near powerlines | Energex](#)

Thank You for Your interest in maintaining a safe and secure Electricity Distribution network. Energex welcomes Your feedback on this document via email to byda@energyq.com.au.

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ELECTRICITY ENTITY REQUIREMENTS - WORKING NEAR OVERHEAD AND UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC LINES



Part of Energy Queensland

Purpose: This instruction describes Electricity Entity requirements for working or operating plant near any Electricity Entity Overhead or Underground electric lines.

Scope: This instruction applies to anyone who may be contemplating working or operating plant near any Electricity Entity Overhead or Underground electric lines.

Person responsible for ensuring compliance with this Work Practice:	All EQL employees have responsibility to comply with listed controls.
Measures in place to ensure compliance with the Work Practice:	Team Leaders must provide appropriate supervision and / or assurance in addition to formal assurance activities performed by EQL.
Person(s) responsible for reviewing the Work Practice:	Prior to any task listed on this Work Practice being performed, the contents must be understood by all workers exposed to the hazard on site. (i.e. using HazChat).
Work Practice control and guidance to be reviewed:	All controls for this task must be verified, monitored, and maintained by crews for the duration of works.

Key tools and equipment: N/A

Note:

Prior to works commencing the contents of supporting Work Practices must be understood.

If at any time the control or procedural guidance in this Work Practice cannot be applied or are not suitable, work must cease, and advice must be sought from your leader or a Technical SME before proceeding.

Work Practices may be provided as a means of sharing hazard and control information to EQL contractors. But it is the responsibility of the contractor to provide their own safe system of work (including, consultation, training, instruction, and supervision to reduce risk SFAIRP)

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1. ABOUT THIS GUIDE

This guide to working near the Electricity Entity network is designed to assist any person working, contemplating work or operating plant near any Electricity Entity overhead or underground electric lines to meet their duties under the Work Health and Safety Act 2011, Electrical Safety Act 2002, Electrical Safety Regulation 2013 and relevant Codes of Practice including Electrical Safety Code of Practice 2020 Working Near Overhead and Underground Electric Lines and help to identify the steps needed to ensure risks are minimised for all who work or are likely to be affected by the work in these situations.

“The Electrical Code of Practice 2020 Working Near Overhead and Under Ground Electric Lines” provides practical advice on ways to manage electrical risk when working near electric lines including the exclusion zones that apply. An electronic copy of this Code of Practice as well as, Electrical Safety Act and Regulation is available at the Queensland Government Electrical Safety Office web site at <https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/electricalsafety>. You should obtain a copy and read this material, to enable you to fully understand your obligations, and prospective means of complying with them.

1.1. Who does the Electrical Safety Code of Practice 2020 - Working Near Overhead and Underground Electric Lines and Electricity Entity Requirements apply to?

A person, worker or Person Conducting a Business or Undertaking (PCBU) at a workplace is required to comply with the requirements of Electrical Safety Regulation 2013 Part 5 Overhead and Underground Electric Lines and Electrical Safety Code of Practice 2020 Working Near Overhead and Underground Electric Lines to ensure that no person, plant or thing comes within an unsafe distance (exclusion zone) of an overhead electric line. Compliance with these regulatory requirements is essential to reduce the risk of electric shock and contact with Electricity Entity electric lines and other assets which can have deadly consequences.

Examples of work activities where risk of person, plant or equipment coming near or into contact with overhead electric lines include but are not limited to:

- Pruning or felling trees or vegetation near overhead electric lines, including the service wire into a building.
- Carrying out building work, scaffolding or demolition adjacent to overhead electric lines.
- Painting fascia, replacing roofing, guttering or external cladding near service line point of entry to a building.
- Operating cranes, tip trucks, cane harvesters, elevated work platforms, fork lifts, grain augers, excavators, irrigators, etc near OH electric lines.
- Erecting or maintaining advertising signs or billboards near overhead electric lines.
- Dam or levee bank construction.

Examples of work activities that could involve risk of damage to underground cables or earthing systems include but are not limited to:

- Digging holes, excavating, sawing, trenching, under boring, sinking bore holes, earthworks or laying cables, pipes, etc or driving implements into the ground (e.g. star pickets, fence posts) near where underground cables or earthing systems may be located.

1.2. Are you working or planning to work near overhead or underground electric lines?

Electrical Safety Regulation Section 68 requires that before carrying out any work at a workplace where there is a risk of any person, plant or thing encroaching the exclusion zone of overhead electric lines, the person, worker or PCBU is required to ensure that the potential hazards are identified, a risk assessment conducted and the necessary control measures implemented to minimise electrical safety risks to ensure the safety of all workers and other persons at the workplace. The Electrical Safety Regulation 2013 and Electrical Safety Code of Practice 2020 - Working Near Overhead and Underground Electric Lines detail the Exclusion Zones that must be maintained.

1.2.1 Work near overhead electric lines

Where a risk assessment has been conducted and control measures implemented in accordance with requirement of Electrical Safety Code of Practice 2020 - Working Near Overhead and Underground Electric Lines and Electricity Entity Requirements (this document) and it has identified that exclusion zones from overhead electric lines cannot be maintained, the person, worker or PCBU is then required to contact Electricity Entity and request written Safety Advice (refer Section 1.3 below).

The person, worker or PCBU shall be required to maintain exclusion zones until such times as the Electricity Entity has provided written Safety Advice. A person, worker or PCBU would not be required to contact the Electricity Entity and request a written Safety Advice where their risk assessment and implemented control measures ensure that exclusion zones from overhead electric lines will be maintained throughout performance of work to be undertaken at a particular site.

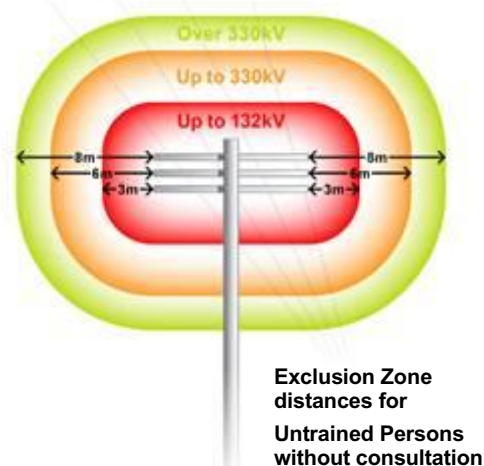
1.2.2 Exclusion Zones

An exclusion zone is a safety envelope around an overhead electric line. No part of a worker, operating plant or vehicle should enter an exclusion zone while the overhead electric line is energised (live).

Exclusion zones keep people, operating plant and vehicles a safe distance from energised overhead lines.

You must keep yourself and anything associated with the work activity out of the exclusion zone (e.g. a safe distance) unless it is not reasonably practicable to do so; and the person conducting a business or undertaking complies with the requirements of Section 68(2) of the Electrical Safety Regulation in relation to:

- conducting a risk assessment.
- implementing control measures
- adhering to any requirements of an Electricity Entity responsible for the line.



Exclusion Zone – Untrained Person (distances in mm)

Nominal phase to phase voltage of electric line	Untrained Person		
	Person	Operating Plant	Operating Vehicles
Insulated LV: Consultation with and verified by AP (Electrical)	No exclusion zone prescribed	1000	300
LV with NO consultation with Electricity Entity	3000	3000	600
LV With consultation with Electricity Entity	1000		
>LV up to 33 kV with NO consultation with Electricity Entity	3000		900
LV up to 33 kV with consultation with Electricity Entity	2000		
>33 kV up to 132 kV	3000		2100
>132 kV up to 220 kV	4500	6000	2900
>220 kV up to 275 kV	5000		

Information extracted from Electrical Safety Regulation 2013 Schedule 2

Exclusion Zone – Instructed Person and Authorised Person (distances in mm)

Nominal phase to phase Voltage of electric line	Instructed Person (IP) & Authorised Person (AP)		
	AP and IP	Operating Plant with Safety Observer or another Safe System of work	Operating of Vehicles
Insulated LV: Consultation with and verified by AP (Electrical)	No exclusion zone prescribed	No exclusion zone prescribed	No exclusion zone prescribed
LV	No exclusion zone prescribed	1000	600
>LV up to 33 kV	700	1200	700
>33 kV up to 50 kV	750	1300	750
>50 kV up to 66 kV	1000	1400	1000
>66 kV up to 110 kV		1800	
>110 up to 132	1200		1200

Information extracted from Electrical Safety Regulation 2013 Schedule 2

1.2.3 Work near underground electrical lines (underground electrical assets)

Before carrying out any earthworks at a location, the person, worker or PCBU is required to ensure that the potential hazards are identified, a risk assessment conducted and the necessary control measures implemented to minimise the risk of damaging identified or unidentified underground electrical assets and to ensure the safety of all workers and other persons at the workplace. The Electrical Safety Regulation 2013 and Electrical Safety Code of Practice 2020 - Working Near Overhead and Underground Electric Lines and Electricity Entity Requirements detail the requirement for work near underground electric lines.

There is no exclusion zone applicable for underground electrical assets – conduits, cables (unless cable is damaged, or conductors or terminations have been exposed) therefore there is **no requirement for a written Safety Advice** to be requested by a person, worker or PCBU, or issued by an electricity entity for work at a site that only involves identified or unidentified underground electrical assets (e.g. does not involved overhead electric lines or other exposed live parts within the work location).

1.3. Obtaining Safety Advice

To obtain written Safety Advice where identified as being required in Section 1.2.1 above, complete and return (by fax or email) the applicable Safety Advice Request Form which is accessible via the electricity entity website link on page 9:

- Energex Form - Application for Safety Advice – Working near Energex exposed live parts
- Ergon Energy Safety Advice Request Form

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On receipt, the Electricity Entity will contact the Applicant to advise date and time to meet at site to provide written Safety Advice. It is advisable to bring to the meeting your copy of the Electrical Safety Code of Practice 2020 Working Near Overhead and Underground Electric Lines (and Before You Dig Australia Plan for location of underground assets where required), as reference to this will be necessary during the meeting. Written Safety Advice and/or other control measures provided by the Electricity Entity may incur a fee.

Failure to adhere to the Electrical Safety Regulation Section 68 requirements and mandatory control measures as documented on written Safety Advice as issued will result in written non-compliance advice being sent to the Electrical Safety Office.

Where this work is required to occur on a regular basis at a workplace, the PCBU may consider arranging to have one or more employees trained and subsequently accredited with the Electricity Entity as Authorised Persons.

1.4. Authorised Person and how to become one?

Under the Electrical Safety Regulation 2013, the exclusion zones for working near or operating plant or vehicles near exposed, low voltage or high voltage electric lines vary depending on whether a person is classed as an “Untrained Person”, “Authorised Person” or “Instructed Person”. An Authorised Person is permitted to carry out work closer to the electric lines than an Untrained Person (refer Electrical Safety Code of Practice 2020 Working Near Overhead and Underground Electric Lines Appendix B Exclusion Zones for Overhead Electric Lines).

To become an Authorised Person, the employer / self-employed person must first satisfy the “person in control” of the electric line, in this case the Electricity Entity, that their Applicants possess the required competencies. They must then apply in writing to Electricity Entity for approval.

Removal or replacement of LV service fuse to permit work on consumers’ mains, installation switchboard, consumer’s terminals or eliminate an exclusion that would exist requires the Electrical Mechanic to hold a current Queensland Electrical Mechanic Licence and perform the work in accordance with their documented safe system of work.

NOTE: It is not permissible to replace a blown LV service fuse(s) after loss of supply to consumer’s installation or to alter Electricity Entity LV aerial services.

1.5. Contacting Electricity Entity for Safety Advice or Authorised Person Enquiries

By phone

- call Electricity Entity on General Enquiries phone number (refer page 3).

By email

- **Energex:** custserve@energex.com.au or authorisedperson@energex.com.au
- **Ergon Energy:** safetyadvice@ergon.com.au

Website

- **Energex:** <https://www.energex.com.au/home/safety/working-near-powerlines>
- **Ergon Energy:** <https://www.ergon.com.au/network/safety/business-safety/the-outdoor-workplace/working-near-powerlines>

2. OVERHEAD ELECTRIC LINES

The following table sets out preparatory work options that may be required to be performed by the Electricity Entity (or electrical contractor where identified as being permitted who is an Authorised Person - Electrical) to assist a person, worker or PCBU in minimising the electrical safety risks of, encroaching within the exclusion zone or contact with electric lines.

Category of work		Description	Costing arrangement
Safety Advice	Base information	Provide Safety Advice	Nil cost to customer
LV Service isolation	1. Isolation carried out by customer's electrical contractor	Isolation of overhead or underground service by removal of the service fuse(s). (Preferred option to isolate supply and eliminate the exclusion zone).	No involvement by the Electricity Entity. May be a cost charged by the customer's electrical contractor.
	2. Isolation carried out by Electricity Entity	Customer requested isolation of overhead or underground service by removal of the service fuse(s); or Customer requested physical disconnection and reconnection of overhead or underground service.	Cost to customer.
Insulation integrity verification	3. Verification of insulation integrity to reduce exclusion zone to no exclusion zone prescribed e.g. no contact permitted	Verification of insulation integrity to classify as insulated service – Insulation integrity can only be verified at the time of inspection – visual inspection is required before confirmation in all cases. When service insulation integrity verified - no exclusion zone prescribed e.g. no contact permitted.	Cost to customer.
Service replacement	4. Open wire service, service fuse(s) at house/building	Replacement of service with new XLPE service cable and service fuse(s) installed at origin (pole end) of service to allow isolation of service. Insulation integrity can be verified for new XLPE services at the time of installation – visual inspection is required before confirmation.	Nil cost to customer for service replacement. Customer responsible for necessary installation, Mains Connection Box and service support bracket upgrade and associated costs if required.
		Service installations where: a. the consumer's mains cannot be insulated and an exclusion zone must be maintained, and b. the service cannot be isolated at the service fuse. Service to be isolated by breaking the service cable connection to the LV mains at the pole. Service fuse(s) to be installed at origin (pole end) of service prior to reconnection.	Nil cost to customer for first disconnection and reconnection. Cost to customer for subsequent requests.

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Category of work		Description	Costing arrangement
	5. All other service replacements	Customer requested replacement of existing service with new XLPE service cable to classify as insulated service, in lieu of isolation, to allow work close (no exclusion zone prescribed e.g. no contact permitted). Service fuse(s) to be installed at origin (pole end) of service.	Cost to customer for service replacement. Customer responsible for necessary installation, Mains Connection Box and service support bracket upgrade and associated costs if required.
Tiger Tails	6. Installation of Tiger Tails (for visual indication only – not for providing electrical insulation of LV mains)	Customer requested coverage of LV mains for visual indication only (not permitted on HV mains). The Entity may also fit tiger tails to LV service line for visual indication only.	Cost to customer.
Aerial Markers	7. Installation of aerial marker flags or balls (for visual indication only)	Customer requested temporary or permanent installation of appropriate aerial marker devices on LV or HV mains.	Cost to customer.
Switching	8. Customer requested switching	Customer requested switching to allow customer/contractor to work close (no exclusion zone prescribed e.g. no contact permitted).	Cost to customer.

2.1. Isolation of supply to customer installation to eliminate exclusion zone around LV service line

An Electrical Mechanic (holding current Queensland Licence) working on behalf of an electrical contractor and accredited with the Electricity Entity as an Authorised Person (Electrical) is permitted to remove and replace LV service fuse(s) when isolation of customer LV service line is required to eliminate the exclusion zone around the LV service line, or to work on the customer's mains and/or switchboard. Isolation of the customer's LV service line by an Authorised Person (Electrical) is only permitted at an underground service pillar or service pole by removing a fuse wedge(s) from a service line, in accordance with Electricity Industry practices e.g. from ground level using appropriate insulated tools, PPE and insulating mats. In those situations where the service fuse/circuit breaker is not located at supply end of the LV service, contact the Electricity Entity to arrange for Safety Advice where elimination of exclusion zone around LV service line is required.

Any controls used by the Authorised Person (Electrical) to identify and confirm isolation and ensure supply to the customer's installation is not inadvertently re-energised shall comply with Electrical Safety Regulation 2013 Section 14 and 15 requirements.

NOTE: The Authorised Person (Electrical) will not be permitted to replace a blown LV service fuse(s) after loss of supply to a customer's installation or to alter the Electricity Entity overhead LV services. The low voltage pole top service fuse shall only be removed by use of an approved, in test, insulated telescopic pole device while standing at ground level and wearing class 00 insulating gloves. At no time is it permissible for an Authorised Person (Electrical) to climb or work aloft on the Electricity Entity's poles or assets unless approved by the Electricity Entity.

2.2. Operating Plant

It can be extremely difficult for operating plant operators to see overhead lines and to judge distances from them. Contact with overhead lines can pose a risk of grounding live conductors and electrocution.

In many cases the likelihood of damage or injury can be reduced by setting up and operating the machinery well clear of overhead electric lines.

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In situations where operating plant is operated by an Authorised Person or Instructed Person without a Safety Observer or another safe system, the exclusion zone requirements (refer Section 1) for an Untrained Person applies (refer Electrical Safety Regulation 2013 Schedule 2 or Electrical Safety Code of Practice 2020 Working Near Overhead and Underground Electric Lines).

For an Authorised or Instructed Person and their Operating Plant to approach overhead electric lines closer than the exclusion zone distances for an Untrained Person, a Safety Observer or another safe system shall be used. Refer to the Electrical Safety Regulation 2013 and the Electrical Safety Code of Practice 2020 - Working Near Overhead and Underground Electric Lines for exclusion zone distances for Authorised and Instructed Persons operating plant with a Safety Observer or another safe system.

Where a Safety Observer is used, the Safety Observer shall:

- Be trained to perform the role.
- Not be required to carry out any other duties at the time, and
- Not be required to observe more than one item of plant operating at a time, and
- Attend all times when the item of plant is operating.

Other control measures for operating plant may include, but are not restricted to:

- Constructing physical barriers or height warning indicators either side of the overhead electric line that are lower than the maximum travel height permissible without encroaching within the exclusion zone of the overhead electric line.
- Applying appropriate signage at least 8 to 10 m either side of overhead electric lines.
- Arrange for visual indicators such as Tiger Tails or aerial markers to fitted to the overhead electric lines – only erected by the Electricity Entity (tiger tails are only permitted on LV mains).
- Ground barriers, where appropriate.
- Informing workers of required work practices.
- Ensuring operators are aware of the height and reach of their machinery in both stowed and working positions.
- Lowering all machinery to the transport position when relocating.
- Providing workers with maps or diagrams showing the location of underground and overhead electric lines, and
- Where possible, directing work away from overhead electric lines not towards them.



2.3. Scaffolding Requirements

The following information provided is for guidance only and shall be read in conjunction with the Electrical Safety Regulation 2013, Electrical Safety Code of Practice 2020 - Working Near Overhead and Underground Electric Lines and AS/NZS 4576:1995: Guidelines for Scaffolding.

Requirements shall be complied with where scaffolding is required to be erected within 4 m of nearby overhead electric lines:

- The scaffolding shall not be erected before contacting and obtaining Safety Advice from the Electricity Entity.
- Erection of scaffolding to comply with requirements of AS/NZS 4576:1995: Guidelines for Scaffolding.

The scaffolding can be either:

- nonconductive material scaffolding; or

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- metallic scaffolding with solid nonconductive barriers (with no gaps, holes or cuts) securely fixed to the outside and/or top of the scaffolding to prevent encroachment within exclusion zones or contact with the energised mains.

Where scaffolding is erected within 3 m of nearby overhead electric lines:

- It shall be fitted with fully enclosed non-conductive solid barriers to prevent encroachment within exclusion zones or contact with the energised mains fully enclosed.
- The person required to erect and/or disassemble scaffolding as well as the required solid barrier affixed to the scaffolding should be an Authorised Person (approved in writing by the Electricity Entity - refer requirements of Section 1.4 of this Reference).
- A Safety Observer shall be used during performance of this work where there is a risk of encroachment within 3 m of nearby energised overhead electric lines for voltages up to 33 kV. Additional requirements may apply for voltage levels above 33 kV, contact the Electricity Entity for consultation.
- Alternatively, consideration should be given to the de-energisation of the nearby electric lines where possible for the duration of this work. Additional requirements may apply for voltage levels above 33 kV, contact the Electricity Entity for consultation.
- Comply with the horizontal and vertical statutory clearances from overhead electric lines as set out in Electrical Safety Regulation 2013 Schedule 4.
- Persons are not permitted to go outside of or climb on top of the solid barrier fixed on the outside and/or top of the scaffolding.

Where an insulated low voltage service line passes through the scaffolding, it should either be de-energised for duration of work or be fully enclosed by non-conductive material (e.g. form ply).

Minimum statutory clearances from nearby overhead electric lines for scaffolding erected with barriers affixed.

Voltage Level	Horizontal Distance "A" (in metres)	Vertical Distance "B" (in metres)
Low voltage conductors (uninsulated)	1.5m	2.7m
Low voltage conductors (insulated) – these distances can only be applied after the integrity of the insulation has been verified by the Electricity Entity	0.3m	0.6m
Above LV and up to 33 kV (uninsulated)	1.5m	3.0m
Above LV and up to 33 kV (insulated)	Contact Electricity Entity for consultation.	
Above 33 kV (uninsulated)	Additional requirements may apply for voltage levels above 33 kV, contact the Electricity Entity for consultation.	

NOTE: Dimension's "A" and "B" is between the scaffolding and the closest conductor of the overhead electric line. Dimension B is also taken from the lowest part of the mid span sag adjacent to the scaffolding.

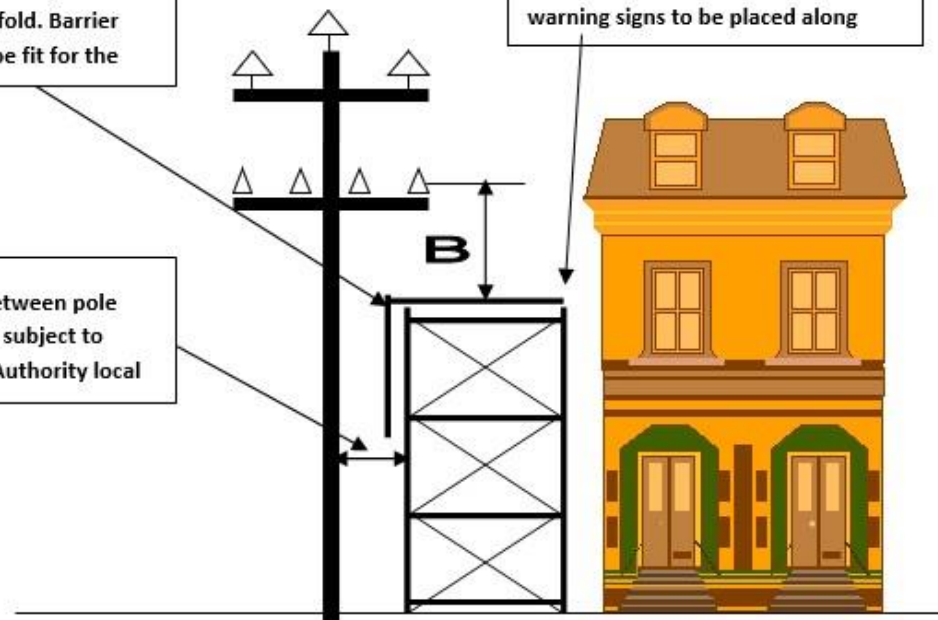
Barrier fixed securely to the face of the scaffold. Barrier material must be fit for the intended purpose.



Barrier fixed securely to the face of the scaffold. Barrier material must be fit for the

Barriers and "Live Conductors" warning signs to be placed along

Min 100 mm between pole and scaffolding subject to relevant Local Authority local



2.4. High Load transport under Overhead Electric Lines

Any person or company transporting a High Load (load in excess of 4.6 m high) under overhead electric lines must comply with Electrical Safety Code of Practice 2020 - Working Near Overhead and Underground Electric Lines is required to submit a Notification to Transport High Load form to the relevant Electricity Entity of the intended route and details of the high load involved. Before any person or company can transport a high load (load in excess of 4.6 m high), authorisation to travel must be received in writing from the Electricity Entity. Refer details below to contact the Electricity Entity for high load enquiries or to submit Notification to Transport High Load form:

Energex:

- **Email:** custserve@energex.com.au
- **Website:** www.energex.com.au
- **Phone:** Energex Contact Centre on 13 12 53 (8am to 5:30pm, Monday to Friday)

Ergon Energy:

- **Email:** Highload2@ergon.com.au
- **Website:** www.ergon.com.au
- **Phone:** (07) 4932 7566 (8am to 4:30pm, Monday to Friday)

2.5. Additional Details and Fact Sheets on Electricity Entity Requirements

Additional details and Fact Sheets on Electricity Entity requirements for working near overhead electric lines are located on the following internet sites

Energex: <https://www.energex.com.au/home/safety/working-near-powerlines>

Ergon Energy: <https://www.ergon.com.au/network/safety/business-safety/the-outdoor-workplace/working-near-powerlines>

3. UNDERGROUND ELECTRICAL ASSETS

3.1. Responsibilities When Working in the Vicinity of Electricity Entity Underground Electrical Assets

Everyone has a legal “Duty of Care” that must be observed when working in the vicinity of underground electrical assets which includes underground cables, conduits and other associated underground equipment. When discharging this “Duty of Care” in relation to Electricity Entity underground electrical assets, the following points must be considered:

1. It is the responsibility of the architect, consulting Engineer, developer, and principal contractor in the project planning stages to design for minimal impact and protection of Electricity Entity underground electrical assets. The Electricity Entity will provide plans on request via BYDA showing the presence of the underground electrical assets to assist at this design stage.
2. It is the constructor’s responsibility to:
 - a. Anticipate and request BYDA plans of Electricity Entity underground electrical assets for a particular location at a reasonable time before earthworks begins.
 - b. Visually locate Electricity Entity underground electrical assets by use of an electronic cable locator followed by careful non-mechanical excavation (potholing using hydrovac or hand tools) when earthworks activities may damage or interfere with Electricity Entity plant.

- c. After completion of steps (a) and (b) above, if there is a risk of the Electricity Entity underground electrical assets being damaged or its structural integrity compromised by your planned earthworks activities, contact the Electricity Entity (General Enquiries phone number – refer page 3) for further advice.

A constructor may include but not limited to designer, project manager, installer, contractor, civil contractor.

3. The alignments and boundaries contained within BYDA plans and maps will sometimes differ from present alignments and boundaries “on the ground”. Accordingly, in every case, the constructor should obtain confirmation of the actual position of Electricity Entity cables and pipelines under the roadways by non-mechanical excavation (potholing using hydrovac or hand tools) when earthworks activities may damage or interfere with Electricity Entity underground electrical assets. In no case should the constructor rely on statements of third parties in relation to the position of Electricity Entity underground electrical assets.

3.2. Conditions of Supply of Information

- Plans and details of Electricity Entity underground electrical assets provided by BYDA are only current for 4 weeks from the date of dispatch and should not be referred to after this period, if you go past this time, please re-apply to BYDA as underground services may have been updated.
- The Electricity Entity agrees to provide plans if an Electricity Entity underground electrical assets location request is made to Before You Dig Australia (BYDA) , online at <https://www.byda.com.au> or the free iPhone Application, only on the basis that at least 2 business day notice is given and the BYDA applicant agrees to the terms of this agreement.



Note that the Electricity Entity only provides information on underground electrical assets it owns. Contact the owner of any privately owned underground electrical assets for details of their assets located at site.

- The Electricity Entity retains copyright of all plans and details provided in connection to your request.
- BYDA plans or other details are provided for the use of the BYDA applicant, its servants, or agents, for the sole purpose of the applicant's responsibilities in relation to the Electricity Entity underground electrical assets and shall not be used for any other purpose.
- BYDA plans are diagrams only and indicate the presence of Electricity Entity underground electrical assets in the general vicinity of the geographical area shown. Exact ground cover and alignments cannot be given with any certainty as such levels can change over time.
- On receipt of BYDA plans and before commencing excavation work or similar activities near Electricity Entity's underground electrical assets, carefully locate this plant first to avoid damage.
- The Electricity Entity, its servants or agents shall not be liable for any loss or damage caused or occasioned by the use of plans and of details so supplied to the BYDA applicant, its servants or agents, and the BYDA applicant agrees to indemnify the Electricity Entity against any claim or demand for any such loss or damage to the BYDA applicant, its servants, or agents or to any third party.
- The constructor is responsible for all damages to the Electricity Entity underground electrical assets when work commences prior to obtaining BYDA plans, or at any time after that for failure to follow agreed instructions contained in this document or any other advice provided by the Electricity Entity.
- By undertaking any work, you acknowledge that the Electricity Entity reserves all rights to recover compensation for loss or damage to the Electricity Entity caused by interference or damage, including consequential loss and damage to its cable network, or other property.
- Be aware that some underground conduits may contain asbestos. Refer to “Code of Practice for the Management and Control of Asbestos in Workplace [NOHSC: 2018 (2005)]” for guidance.

3.3. When Working in the Vicinity of Electricity Entity Underground Electrical Assets, You Must Observe the Following Conditions

3.3.1 Records

The first step before any excavation commences is to obtain BYDA plans of Electricity Entity underground electrical assets in the vicinity of the work. For new work, records should be obtained during the planning and design stage. The records provided by BYDA must be made available to all relevant work groups on site. Where underground electrical asset information is transferred to plans for the proposed work, care must be exercised that important detail is not lost in the process.

3.3.2 Location of underground electrical assets

Examining the records is not sufficient, as reference points may change from the time of installation. Records must also be physically proven when working in close proximity to underground electrical assets. The exact location of underground electrical assets likely to be affected shall be confirmed by use of an electronic cable locator followed by careful non mechanical excavation to the level of concrete slabs or conduits. Non mechanical excavation (potholing using hydrovac or hand tools) must be used in advance of excavators. In any case, where doubt exists with respect to interpretation of cable records, contact the Electricity Entity (General Enquiries phone number - refer page 3) for further advice.

If during excavation, cables or conduits are damaged:

- call Electricity Entity (Emergencies phone number – refer page 3) to report damaged cables or conduits.
- treat cables as if alive, post a person to keep all others clear of the excavation until the Electricity Entity crew attend to make safe.

If **unknown** cables or conduits (e.g. not shown on issued BYDA plans) are located during excavation:

- call Electricity Entity (Emergencies phone number – refer page 1) to report.
- treat cables as if alive, post a person to keep all others clear of the excavation until the Electricity Entity crew attend to make safe.

If the constructor is unable to locate Electricity Entity underground electrical assets within 2.5 m of nominal plan locations, they should contact the Electricity Entity (General Enquiries phone number - refer page 3) for further advice.

3.3.3 Remote or On-Site Cable Location conducted by Electricity Entity

This service shall only be provided at Electricity Entity's discretion:

- The Electricity Entity may provide this site visit only when underground cables (33 kV or above) are present.
- Due to remote locations where external cable locator or hydro vac service providers are not readily available, Electricity Entity may attend site and assist with cable location (fees may apply for this service).
- The Electricity Entity may provide either remote over the phone or on-site cable location advice to assist in the location of Electricity Entity underground electrical assets, including how to visually locate and protect the plant when excavating.
- Where the Electricity Entity provides on-site cable location advice, any markings provided for the purpose of identifying cable location are for general guidance only, and the constructor is still responsible for non-mechanical excavation (potholing using hydrovac or hand tools) to visually locate Electricity Entity underground electrical assets.
- If the constructor is unable to locate Electricity Entity underground electrical assets within 2.5 m of nominal plan locations, they should contact Electricity Entity (General Enquiries phone number - refer page 3) to request further advice.

3.3.4 Electrical Cables

Electricity Entity cables may have warning covers e.g.:

- Clay paving bricks or tiles marked “Electricity” or similar (also unmarked)
- Concrete or PVC cover slabs
- PVC, asbestos or fibro conduit, fibre reinforced concrete, iron or steel pipe
- Concrete encased PVC or steel pipe
- Thin plastic marker tape
- Large pipes housing multiple ducts
- Multiple duct systems, including earthenware or concrete

NOTE: Some cables are known to be buried without covers.

3.3.5 Separation from Electricity Entity underground electrical assets

If location plans or visual location of Electricity Entity underground electrical assets by non-mechanical excavation (potholing using hydrovac or hand tools) reveals that the location of Electricity Entity underground electrical assets is situated where the developer or constructor plans to work, then contact the Electricity Entity (General Enquiries phone number - refer page 3) for further advice.

The developer or constructor shall ensure that minimum separation distance from Electricity underground electrical assets (refer Minimum Separation Requirements tables below) is complied with when installing, altering or repairing other underground services located in the vicinity.

If the Electricity Entity relocation or protection works are part of the agreed solution, then payment to the Electricity Entity for the cost of this work shall be the responsibility of the principal developer or constructor. The Electricity Entity will provide an estimate for work on receipt of the developer's or constructor's order number before work proceeds.

It will be necessary for the developer or constructor to provide the Electricity Entity with a written Work Method Statement for all works in the vicinity of, or involving Electricity Entity underground electrical assets. This Work Method Statement should form part of the tendering documentation and work instruction. All Work Method Statements shall be submitted to the Electricity Entity prior to the commencement of site earthworks.

Underground Services Running Parallel with Electricity Entity Electrical Assets
(Minimum Separation required in mm)

Voltage Level	Gas	Communication or TV	Water		Sanitary drainage		Storm Water
			≤DN 200	>DN200	≤DN 200	>DN 200	
LV	300 (Ergon) 250	100	500	*1000	500	1000	500
HV	(Energex)	300					

*Contact your local utility/council to obtain specific separation distances

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Underground Services Crossing Electricity Entity Electrical Assets (Minimum Separation required in mm)

Voltage Level	Gas	Communication or TV	Water	Sanitary drainage	Storm Water
LV	100	100	300	300	100
HV					

Notes:

- These clearances are each Electricity Entity's minimum requirements, additional separation may be required by the Service Owner. The greater of the separation requirements shall apply.
- Where the above tables does not list a separation requirement for a particular underground service type, the following minimum separation from electricity entity electrical assets shall apply:
 - LV = 100 mm
 - HV = 300 mm
- Compliance with these minimum separation requirements does not guarantee that issues such as Earth Potential Rise (EPR) and Low Frequency Induction (LFI) are managed, where these issues need to be managed, advice will need to be sought from an RPEQ Engineer
- All separation distances are measured from the exterior surface of the conduit / cable not centrelines or inner wall surfaces.

Additional Details and Fact Sheets on Electricity Entity Requirements

Additional details and Fact Sheets on Electricity Entity requirements for working near underground electrical assets are located on the following internet site.

Energex: <https://www.energex.com.au/home/safety/working-near-powerlines>

Ergon Energy: <https://www.ergon.com.au/network/safety/business-safety/the-outdoor-workplace/working-near-powerlines>

4. EXCAVATION

4.1. Excavating near Poles and Stay Wires

The following requirements are to be compiled with to minimise the risk of compromising the structural integrity of the Electricity Entity poles and stay foundations when excavation or trenching work is performed nearby that could result in the failure of one or more poles and grounding of supported electric lines.

- Excavation and trenching work undertaken by a person, worker or PCBU in the vicinity of poles and stay foundations shall:
- only be commenced after requirements of Section 3 have been complied with for any underground electrical assets located within the work site.
- upon completion of excavation and site earthworks do not restrict the Electricity Entity vehicle access to pole site for purpose of carrying out maintenance activities.

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- comply with exclusion zones as detailed in the Electrical Safety Code of Practice 2020 - Working Near Overhead and Underground Electric Lines.
- not be attempted:
 - within 5 m (horizontal distance) of **pole stays** where the excavation depth is greater than 250 mm before contacting the Electricity Entity to determine requirements.
 - within 5 m (horizontal distance) of Electricity Entity poles with earth leads or cables running down into the ground before contacting the Electricity Entity to determine requirements.
 - within "Do Not Disturb" zone of pole prior to a certified engineering assessment having been completed by a Registered Professional Engineer Queensland, and then reviewed and approved by the Electricity Entity before proceeding with work. Approval by the Electricity Entity shall not relieve the PCBU of its duties to perform the work in a safe and proper manner and in accordance with all applicable legislation.
 - if the soil is exceedingly wet (saturated) or there is more than minimal wind loading unless additional pole support is provided in accordance with certified engineering assessment and approved by Electricity Entity.
 - when a severe weather event is occurring or expected (e.g. severe weather warning has been issued by Bureau of Meteorology).
- be backfilled as soon as possible (within same day where pole is required to be supported) soil mechanically compacted in layers of 150 mm and all rock and vegetable material excluded from the backfill.
- be backfilled and pole stabilised before removal of additional support required by a certified engineering assessment are permitted to be removed.

The PCBU shall be responsible for arrangement and costs of required certified engineering assessments, approvals by other regulatory bodies (eg councils, Main Roads pipeline owners, telecomm owns) and installation, maintenance, and removal of associated pole support.

Pole support equipment (where required in accordance with certified engineering assessment) shall be:

- only attached and removed by persons approved by the Electricity Entity.
- used to restrain both the pole head and foot to maintain pole stability during nearby excavation work.
- set up and positioned to maximise support effectiveness and minimise impact on traffic, pedestrian, excavation and machinery at site; and maintain exclusion zone from overhead lines. If insufficient clearance exists to maintain exclusion zone to pole support equipment, arrangements may be required for de-energising the electric line.

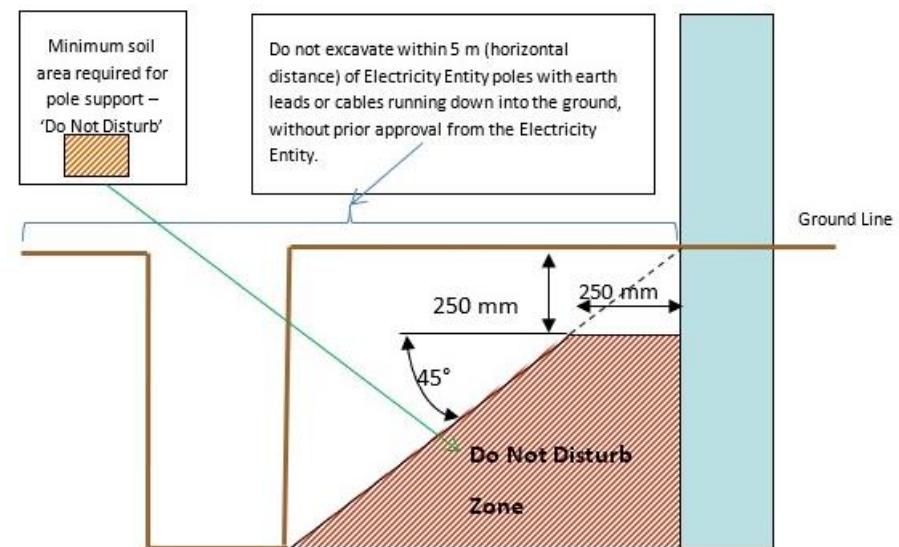


Figure 1 - Do Not Disturb Zone requirements when excavating near poles

Maximum Trench Depth	Minimum Distance from pole without pole support
Not more than 0.25 m (250 mm)	Can trench or hand dig (where cables and leads exist) right up to pole
1.0 m	1.0 m
1.5 m	1.5 m
2.0 m	2.0 m
2.5 m	2.5 m
3.0 m	3.0 m

4.1.1 Certified Engineering Assessment

Where required to be provided by the PCBU, a Certified Engineering Assessment shall:

- Ensure the stability of the Electricity Entity poles and foundations is maintained during and as a result of excavation work completed within the 'Do Not Disturb' zone.
- Include detailed design drawing of pole support method.
- Be completed and certified by a Registered Professional Engineer Queensland.
- Consider and address the following key points as a minimum:
 - Pole loading (vertical and lateral) including line deviation angles, direction of lean (towards or away from resultant loading)
 - Direction of pole lean.
 - Pole inspection (conducted to meet the Electricity Entity's requirements at customer cost)
 - Pole foundation depth
 - Proximity of excavation in relation to pole
 - Soil condition
 - Proposed shoring methods as well as installation and removal process
 - Duration and staging of work
 - Requirement to independently support pole during work
 - Proximity of existing adjacent underground services and excavations
 - Proposed backfilling and reinstatement method
 - Monitoring and engineering/ geotechnical supervision during excavation work progress
 - Other equipment attached to pole (e.g. underground cables, transformer, ACR, ABS.) must be taken into consideration and in some circumstances will prevent the pole being supported.

4.2. Excavating Near Underground Electrical Assets

For all work within 2.5 m of nominal location, the constructor is required to non-mechanical excavation (potholing using hydrovac or hand tools) and expose the underground electrical assets, hence proving its exact location before earthworks can commence.

4.2.1 Excavating Parallel to Underground Electrical Assets

If excavation work is parallel to the Electricity Entity underground electrical cables, then non mechanical excavation (potholing using hydrovac or hand tools) at least every 4 m is required to establish the location of all cables, hence confirming nominal locations before work can commence. If an excavation exceeds the depth of the cables and it is likely that the covers or bedding material around the cables/pipes will move causing Electricity Entity cables or conduits to be unsupported, contact Electricity Entity (General Enquiries phone number - refer page 3) for further advice.

NOTE: Be aware that cable depths and directions may change suddenly along the route.

4.2.2 Excavating Across Underground Electrical Assets

Refer Minimum Separation Requirements table in Section 3.3.5 of this document for distances that shall be maintained to prevent inadvertent contact with or damage to underground electrical assets. If the width or depth of excavation is such that the Electricity Entity cables will be unsupported, contact Electricity Entity (General Enquiries phone number - refer page 3) for further advice. In no case shall a cable cover be removed without approval. A cable cover may only be replaced under the supervision of an Electricity Entity officer. Protective cover strips when removed must be replaced under Electricity Entity supervision. Under no circumstances shall protective cover strips be omitted to achieve the minimum separation distance required between Electricity Entity cables and other underground services.

4.2.3 Heavy Machinery Operation Over Underground Electrical Assets

Where heavy "crawler" or "vibration" type machinery is operated over the top of cables, a minimum cover of 450 mm to the cable protective cover must be maintained. Alternatively, subject to a Certified Engineering Assessment, use load bearing protection whilst the machinery is in operation.

4.2.4 Directional Boring Near Underground Electrical Assets

When boring parallel to cables, it is essential that trial holes are carefully dug using non mechanical excavation (pot holing using hydrovac or hand tools) at regular intervals to prove the actual location of the conduits/cables before using boring machinery. Where it is required to bore across the line of cables/conduits, the actual location of the cables/conduits shall be proven by non-mechanical excavation (pot holing using hydrovac or hand tools). A trench shall be excavated 1 m from the side of the cables where the auger will approach to ensure a minimum clearance of 500 mm from cables/conduits can be maintained.

4.2.5 Hydro Vac Operation

When operating hydro vac equipment to excavate in vicinity of underground electrical assets (cables/conduits):

- Fitted with:
 - nonconductive (neoprene rubber or equivalent) vacuum (suction) hose.
 - oscillating nozzle on pressure wand with water pressure adjusted to not exceeding 2000 psi.
- Maintain a minimum distance of 200 mm between end of pressure wand and underground electrical assets. DO NOT insert the pressure wand jet directly into subsoil.
- Ensure pressure wand is not directly aimed at underground electrical assets (cables / conduits).

4.3. Blasting

Explosives must not be used within 5 m of cables/conduits, unless an engineering report is provided indicating that no damage will be sustained. Clearances shall be obtained from the Electricity Entity for use of explosives in the vicinity of cables/conduits. Contact Electricity Entity (General Enquiries phone number - refer page 3) for further advice.

The Electricity Entity will accept the level of 25 mm / sec as a peak component particle velocity upper limit as defined in AS 2187.2 Appendix J for blasting operations in the vicinity of these power lines.

Electric line insulators and conductors are particularly susceptible to damage from fly rock and adequate control measure including the use of blast mats shall be used to manage this. Contact Electricity Entity for consultation and application.

5. REPORTING DAMAGE CAUSED TO OVERHEAD OR UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC LINES

Any damage caused to the Electricity Entity overhead electric lines, poles, stays, underground cables, conduits and pipes must be reported no matter how insignificant the damage appears to be. Even very minor damage to cable protective coverings can lead to eventual failure of cables through corrosion of metal sheaths and moisture ingress.

All work in the vicinity of damaged overhead or underground electric lines shall cease and the area be made safe and vacated until clearance to continue earthworks has been obtained from the Electricity Entity. Call Electricity Entity (Emergencies phone number – refer page 3).

6. INFRASTRUCTURE NEAR ELECTRIC LINES

6.1. Easements and Wayleaves

This information, whilst not a legal document, has been developed to assist the community in answering some commonly asked questions about our easements and wayleaves, and briefly outlines what you can do where land is affected by an easement or where consent to installing electrical infrastructure has been given.

6.1.1 What is an Electricity Easement?

An electricity easement is the authority held by the Electricity Entity to use your land near overhead and underground electric lines and substations (electrical assets). Electricity Entity holds this authority for your own safety and to allow employees access to electrical assets at all times. Whilst it will depend on the terms of the particular grant of easement, electrical easements generally give the Electricity Entity the right to access, maintain, repair, rebuild and to restrict development within a defined area.

The easement, which is registered on the property's title, contains a plan showing the dimensions of the easement and its location on the property together with the rights and restrictions over the easement area. The Department of Natural Resources and Mines <https://www.resources.qld.gov.au/> or your solicitor will be able to provide this information. Easements may also exist for telephone lines, water and sewage mains and natural gas supply lines.

6.1.2 Why are easements necessary?

Easements are also created to allow the Electricity Entity clear, 24 hour access to the electric lines. It is important to keep the easement clear at all times so regular maintenance, line upgrades, damage or technical faults can be attended to immediately to provide a safe and reliable supply of electricity. Interference with Electricity Entity's rights and electrical equipment may compromise safety of the public and the occupiers of the property. Therefore, it is essential that Electricity Entity's rights are understood and observed.

6.1.3 How do I know if there are easements on my property?

Contact your solicitor or The Department of Natural Resources and Mines to obtain a Title Search that shows all registered easements on the property.

6.1.4 Who owns the land the easement is on?

The ownership of that land encumbered with the easement remains with the property owner.

6.1.5 How does an easement affect what I can do with my property?

An easement controls what you can build, what size trees you can plant and what outdoor activities you can carry out in the easement area.

An easement affects the use of the property by limiting the development that can be undertaken within the easement area. The exact rights granted to an Electricity Entity under an electricity easement will depend on the wording used in the grant of easement. Property owners and occupiers should also be aware that an Electricity Entity has the right of access to land to undertake certain works (including reading meters and disconnecting supply). These rights of access are granted by Queensland legislation not the easement and so may not be registered on the property's title and therefore may not be revealed in a Title Search.

6.1.6 Who is responsible for maintenance of easement area?

You must provide a continuous, unobstructed area along the full length of the easement to allow an Electricity Entity access to electric lines, transformers, underground cables and other equipment at all times. A width of 4.5 m is typically required for the safe passage of vehicles and heavy plant.

You must NOT place obstructions in the easement within 5 m of any electric lines, transformer, power pole, equipment or supporting wire.

Maintenance of the easement area is generally the responsibility of the property owner and/or occupier, however, complying with regulatory and safety requirements associated with Electricity Entity's electrical assets within the easement area is the responsibility of the Electricity Entity.

6.1.7 What type of maintenance work does Electricity Entity undertake on easements?

To enable Electricity Entity to construct, maintain, repair and rebuild electric lines on some properties, access roads and tracks are required on or adjacent to the easement area. As required, Electricity Entity is able to construct access tracks, retain the right of use of these tracks and maintain them to a suitable level to permit access for its vehicles. Where gates are installed within the easement area, an Electricity Entity lock may be required to enable continual access along the easement corridor.

In addition, periodic vegetation management works are also undertaken by Electricity Entity to ensure that a specified minimum clearance between vegetation and the electric lines is maintained.

Where possible, property owners will be contacted prior to easement maintenance and vegetation works commencing.

6.1.8 Where consent (Wayleave) to installing Electricity Entity infrastructure has been given

Much of Electricity Entity's above ground electricity network is constructed without easements. Instead, the consent of the owner of the affected land is obtained and the electrical infrastructure is installed. Historically this consent has been in the form of a document known as a Wayleave.

This consent (or Wayleave) is a document evidencing the agreement from a particular owner, but it is not registered on the title of the land like an easement.

Once consent is obtained from an owner, Queensland legislation (the Electricity Act 1994) says that the consent of all future owners to the electrical infrastructure is not required.

Queensland legislation grants Electricity Entity rights to access, maintain, repair and replace electrical assets installed with consent.

6.2. Contact Electricity Entity when planning construction work near electric lines

When planning and before commencement (regardless of whether or not local council approval is required), it is essential to confirm that the proposed construction work (e.g. building, structure, sign, crane, scaffold) does not breach the minimum statutory clearance distances that must be maintained from nearby Electricity Entity overhead or underground electric lines. Refer Electrical Safety Regulation 2013, Schedule 4 and 5 for information on statutory clearance distances that must be complied with.

It is extremely dangerous and potentially life threatening to allow anything to come in close proximity to the conductors of an electric line.

Where it is necessary for an Electricity Entity to relocate electric lines due to statutory clearance breach caused by construction work performed nearby, the Electricity Entity is entitled to recover costs from the PCBU, property owner or occupier who caused the breach. Refer Electrical Safety Regulation 2013, Section 209 Building or adding to structure near electric lines.

Although it is preferred that the area around Electricity Entity electrical assets (including within an Easement area) is free of development, the following examples provide property owners and occupiers with an indication of what type of development is acceptable and what is not.

NOTE: Do not assume that your local council approval is sufficient approval for you to proceed with your work. The local council may not check whether or not your proposed construction work will comply with the Electricity Entity's statutory clearance requirements

6.3. What clearances must be maintained once construction work is completed?

Electrical Safety Regulation 2013, Schedule 4 - Clearance of overhead electric lines and Schedule 5 – Clearance of low voltage overhead service lines detail the statutory clearances that must be maintained from overhead electric lines for completed buildings and structures. These statutory clearances will need to be taken into consideration during the planning phase of determining the location for a building or structure. The table below sets out the minimum statutory clearances required for voltage levels up to 33 kV. Additional requirements may apply for voltage levels above 33 kV, contact the Electricity Entity for consultation.

Where the Electricity Entity has identified a breach of statutory clearance resulting from erection of a building or structure, the statutory breach will be reportable to the Electrical Safety Office as a Dangerous Electrical Event and any costs incurred in subsequent remedial work to achieve required statutory clearances may be recovered from the person or company who caused the breach of statutory clearance.

PROCEDURE / INSTRUCTIONS

CODE	LOCATION	DIRECTION	INSULATED CABLE (ABC) (Note 1)	BARE	MORE THAN 1000 VOLTS BUT NOT MORE THAN 33kV
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MINIMUM CLEARANCE FROM ROADS, GROUND, OR BOUNDARIES

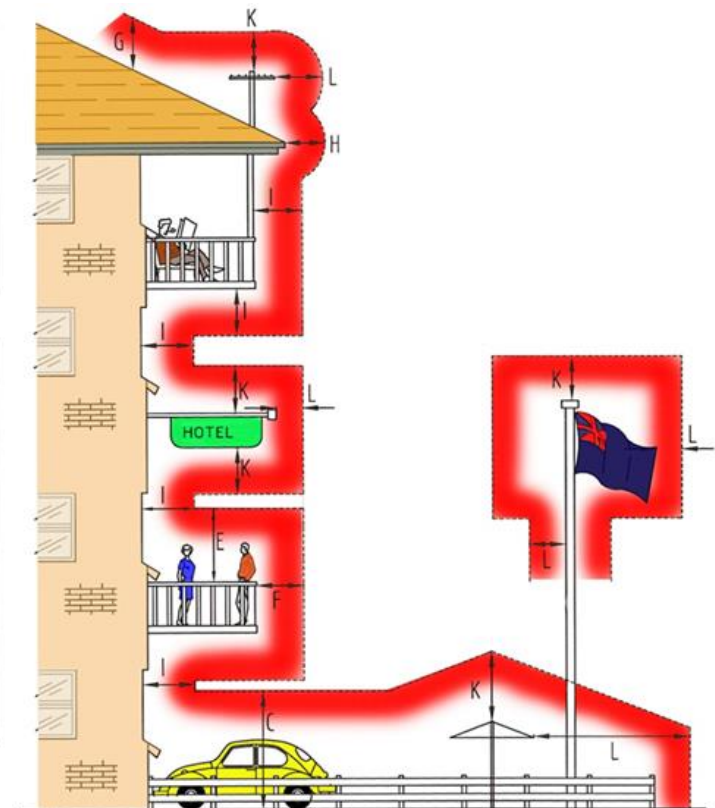
A	Crossing the carriageway, roadway	VERTICALLY	5.5m	5.5m	6.7m
A1	Designated "Over Dimension Routes"	VERTICALLY	7.0m	7.0m	7.5m
B	At other positions, footpath	VERTICALLY	5.5m	5.5m	5.5m
C	Other than roads but trafficable	VERTICALLY	5.5m	5.5m	5.5m
C1	Areas totally inaccessible to traffic or mobile machinery	VERTICALLY	4.5m	4.5m	4.5m
D	Cuttings, embankments, easement boundaries	HORIZONTALLY	1.5m	1.5m	2.1m
X	Real Property Boundaries	HORIZONTALLY	0.0m	0.0m	0.0m

MINIMUM CLEARANCE FROM STRUCTURES AND BUILDINGS

E F	Unroofed terraces, balconies, sun-decks, paved areas, etc, subject to pedestrian traffic only. A hand rail or wall surrounding such an area and on which a person may stand. (Note)	VERTICALLY AND HORIZONTALLY (Note)	2.7m 1.2m	3.7m 1.5m	4.6m 2.1m
G H	Roofs or similar structures not used for traffic or resort but on which a person may stand. A parapet surrounding such a roof and on which a person may stand. (Note)	VERTICALLY AND HORIZONTALLY (Note)	2.7m 0.9m	3.7m 1.5m	3.7m 2.1m
I	Covered places of traffic or resort such as windows which are capable of being opened, roofed open verandahs and covered balconies.	IN ANY DIRECTION	1.2m	1.5m	2.1m
J	Blank walls, windows which cannot be opened. (Note)	HORIZONTALLY	0.6m	1.5m	1.5m
K L	Other structures not normally accessible to persons. (Note)	VERTICALLY HORIZONTALLY (Note)	0.6m 0.3m	2.7m 1.5m	3.0m 1.5m

NOTE:

The vertical clearance and the horizontal clearance specified shall be maintained.



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The following list of examples is not exhaustive, and it may be necessary to contact the Electricity Entity if doubt exists as to what is permitted around electricity assets.

<i>What is PERMITTED around Electricity Entity overhead or underground electric lines</i>	<i>What is NOT PERMITTED around Electricity Entity overhead or underground electric lines</i>
✓ Erection of fences to a maximum height of 2.4 m is generally acceptable, provided they do not affect access to, and work on, the poles, electric lines and/or cables. Trees, shrubs and plants should be located clear of vehicle access. Note: Maximum Growth Height of 3 m. ✓ Clothes hoists and barbecues should be located clear of the vehicle access way. Note: Maximum Height 2.5 m. ✓ Installation of underground utility services, such as low voltage electricity, gas, telephone and water, is generally acceptable, subject to clearances from Electricity Entity poles and supporting structures, and underground electric mains. ✓ Excavating, filling and altering of nearby land may be acceptable but full details need to be provided to the Electricity Entity for assessment. ✓ Vehicles, mobile plant and equipment within the easement area need to maintain the minimum statutory clearances distances from overhead electric lines. Normal farming, grazing and other agricultural activities can be carried out. Take care when ploughing or operating mobile machinery or irrigation equipment near Electricity Entity's equipment. ✓ Parking of vehicles, trucks, trailers, etc. is normally allowed. Note: Maximum Load and Aerial Height of 4 m. Barriers of an approved design (e.g. bollards) may be required to protect poles from vehicle contact damage. Heavy vehicle or operating plant crossings may need a protective concrete cover to ensure underground cables are not damaged.	✗ Build houses, sheds, garages or other large structures. Building of roofed/ unroofed verandahs, swimming pools and pergolas are generally not acceptable. ✗ Flying kites or model aircraft within the easement. ✗ Driving fence posts or stakes into ground within easements where there is underground cabling. ✗ Storing liquids such as petrol, diesel fuel, or any flammable or combustible material that will burn. ✗ Installing lighting poles. ✗ Stockpiling soil or garbage within the easement. ✗ Planting trees in large quantities that could create a fire hazard or that grow in excess of the approved maximum height of 3 m. ✗ Storing or using explosives. ✗ Residing in or occupying any caravan or mobile home within an easement. ✗ Placing obstructions within the vicinity of any Electricity Entity assets (e.g. power pole, overhead electric line, equipment or pole stay) that impede access to or work on these assets.

6.4. What about Electric and Magnetic Fields?

The Electricity Entity operates its electric lines within the current guidelines set by the National Health and Medical Research Council for exposure to 50/60 hertz electric and magnetic fields (EMF) and is mindful of some community concern about such fields and health. Contact the Electricity Entity (General Enquiries phone number - refer page 3). Alternatively, further information can be sourced from:

Energy Networks Association (ENA) brochure - "Electric and Magnetic Fields - What We Know", January 2014

http://www.ena.asn.au/sites/default/files/emf-what-we-know-jan-2014-final_1_1.pdf

Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA) brochure - "Electricity and Health", May 2011

http://www.arpansa.gov.au/RadiationProtection/Factsheets/is_electricity.cfm

DEFINITIONS	
Term	Definition
Applicant	A person contacting or applying to the Electricity Entity for a Safety Advice.
Authorised Person	For work near an electrical line, means a person who has enough technical knowledge and experience to do work that involves being near to the electrical line; and has been approved by the person in control of the electrical line (Electricity Entity) to do work near to the electrical line.
Authorised Person (Electrical)	An Electrical Mechanic or Electrical Linesperson (holding current Queensland Licence) working on behalf of an electrical contractor and accredited with the Electricity Entity who is permitted to remove and replace LV service fuse(s) when isolation of customer LV service line is required to eliminate the exclusion zone around the LV service line, or to work on the customer's mains and / or switchboard.
Earthworks	Any digging, penetration or disturbance of ground including but not limited to post hole digging, excavating, trenching, directional boring, bore hole sinking, driving pickets/posts into ground, cut and fill, dam or levee bank construction, blasting.
Electricity Entity	Where Electricity Entity appears throughout this document, it relates to either Energex or Ergon Energy area of responsibility. Refer to respective contact details below.
Instructed Person	For an electrical line, means a person who is acting under the supervision of an Authorised Person for the electrical line.
Safety Advice	A written notice identifying the known electrical hazards at a specific site and advising the control measures required to be implemented by Responsible Person (person responsible for worksite) to reduce the likelihood of harm to person, plant or vehicle at site.
Safety Observer	A safety observer or "spotter", for the operation of operating plant, means a person who: (a) observes the operating plant; and (b) advises the operator of the operating plant if it is likely that the operating plant will come within an exclusion zone for the operating plant for an overhead electric line. This is a person who has undergone specific training and is competent to perform the role in observing, warning and communicating effectively with the operator of the operating plant.
Untrained Person	For an electrical line, means a person who is not an Authorised Person or an Instructed Person for the electrical line.

TRAINING
Staff must be current in all Statutory Training relevant for the task.

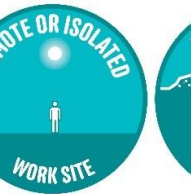
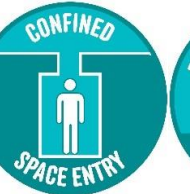
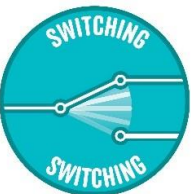
SAFETY / ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROLS

Follow the Safety Policy, procedures and practices set out for Energy Queensland and subsidiary companies.

Personnel are responsible for understanding all the risks and ensuring their individual actions do not endanger the health and safety of themselves or others.



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REFERENCES

Supporting Documents

Electrical Safety Regulation 2013: Part 5 - Overhead and Underground Electric Lines

Electrical Safety Code of Practice 2020 - Working Near Overhead and Underground Electric Lines

Work Health and Safety Act 2011

Work Health and Safety Regulation 2011

Energex documents:

- Application for Safety Advice – Working near Energex exposed live parts
- Important Notice – Working near Energex Power Lines Including Overhead Services
- Safety Advice on working near Energex exposed live parts

Ergon Energy documents:

- Safety Advice Request Form
- Safety Advice on Working around Electrical Parts Form
- Important Notice Regarding Safety Advice QRG

Copies of the relevant Acts, Regulation and Codes of Practice and any other relevant legislation can be found on the Queensland Government web site - <https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/>

REFERENCES

Disclaimer

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Please find attached the response to your DBYD referral for the address mentioned in the subject line. The location shown in our DBYD response is assumed based off the information you have provided. If the location shown is different to the location of the excavation then this response will consequently be rendered invalid.

Take the time to read the response carefully and note that this information is only valid for 28 days after the date of issue.

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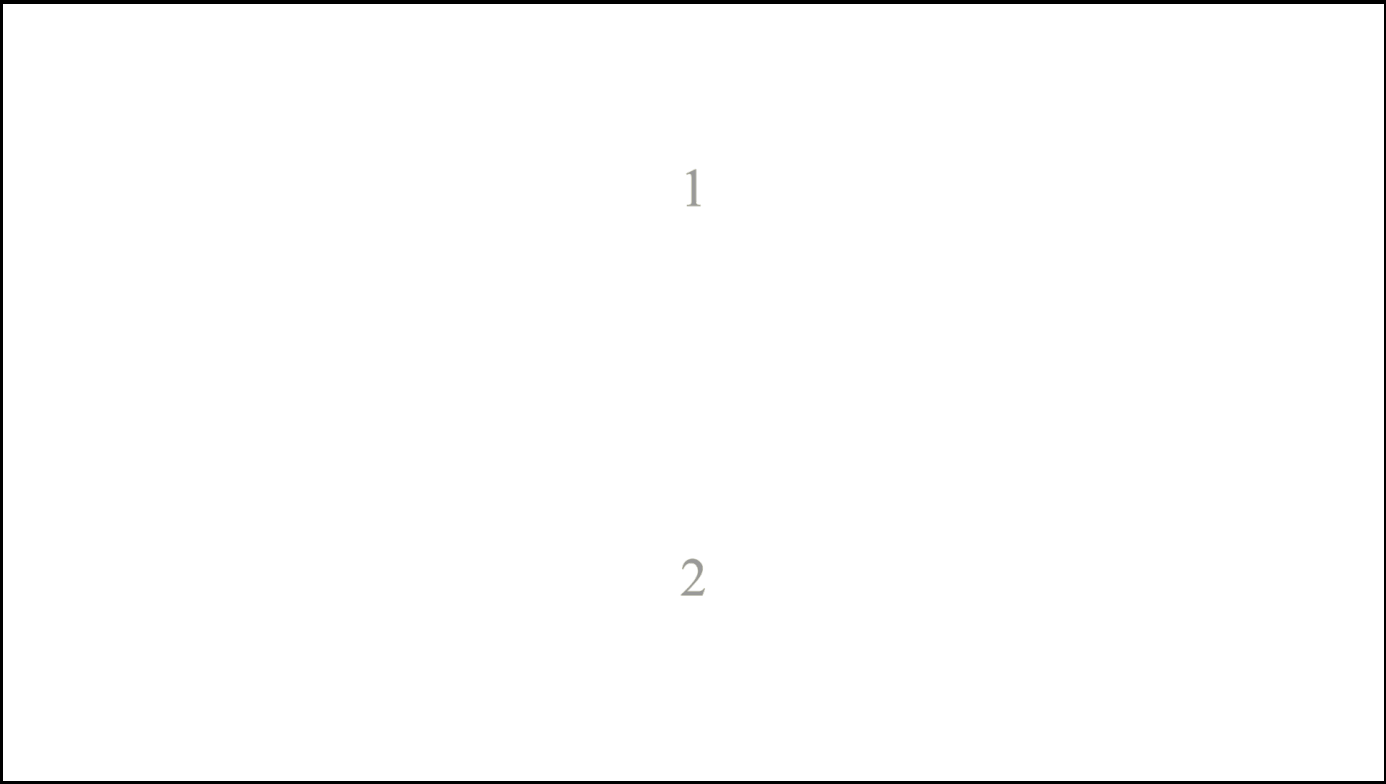
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Dial before you dig Job #:	51805876	
Sequence #	264869629	
Issue Date:	27/11/2025	
Location:	280 Macarthur Avenue , Hamilton , QLD , 4007	

Indicative Plans

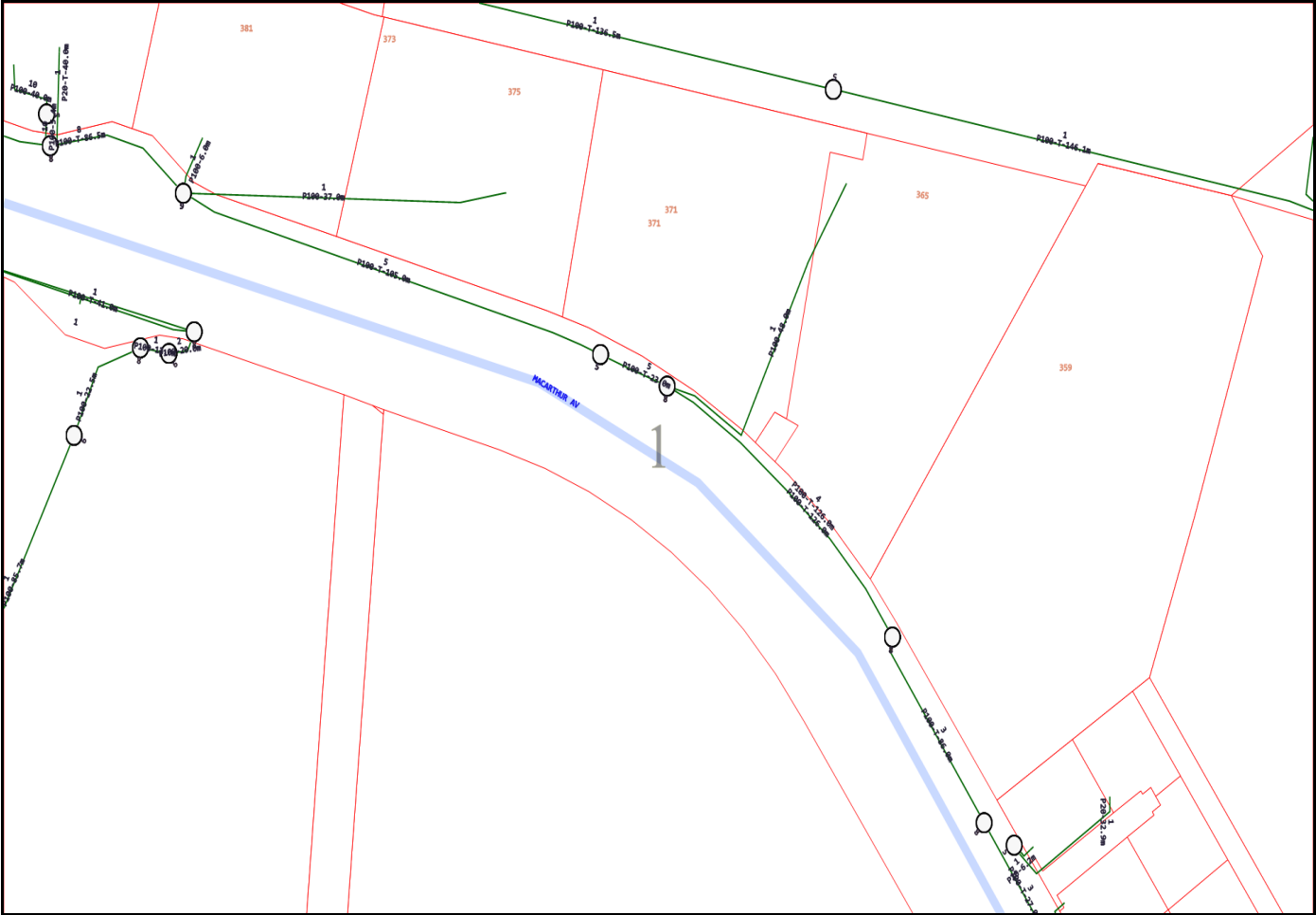


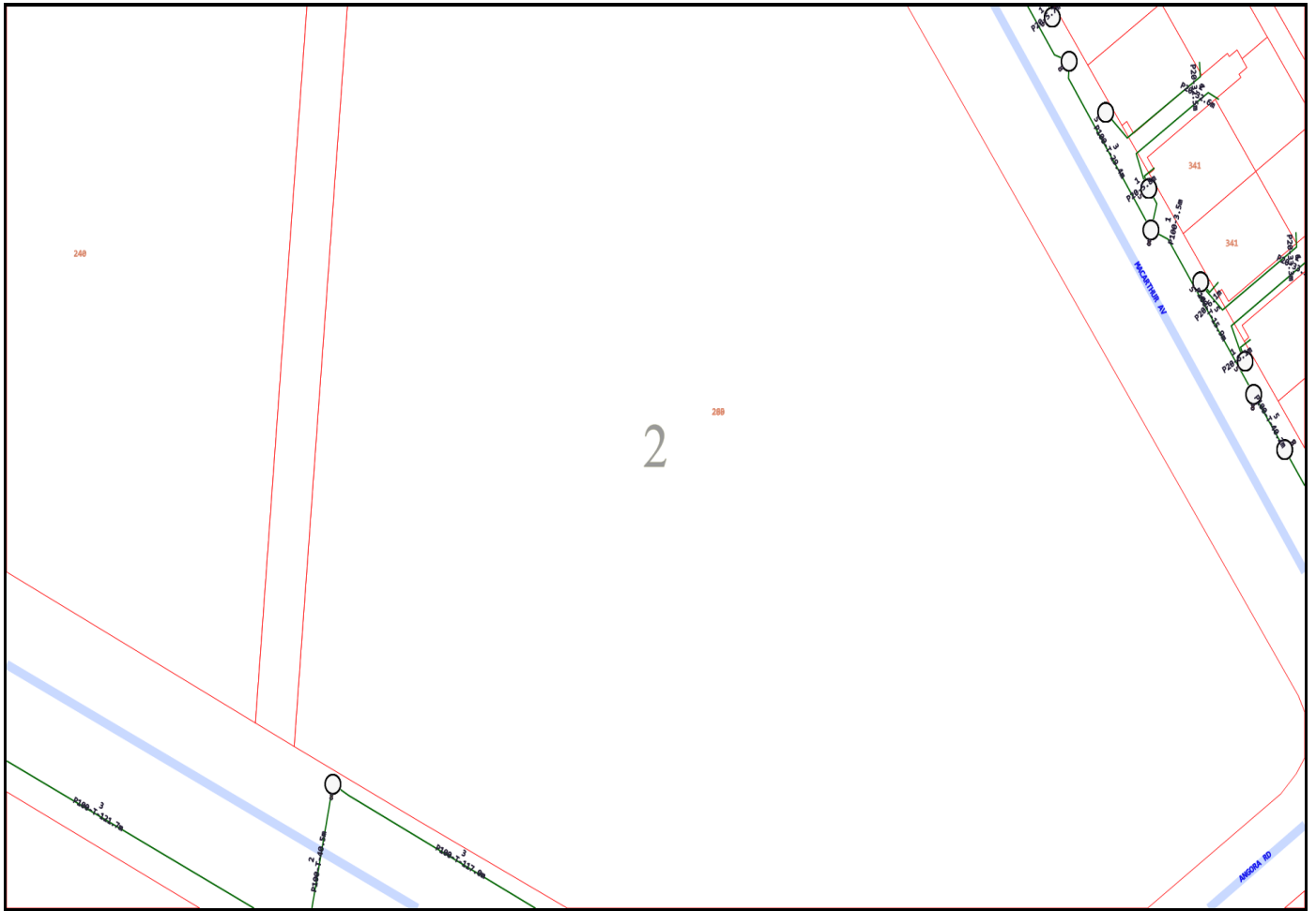


LEGEND



	Parcel and the location
	Pit with size "5"
	Power Pit with size "2E". Valid PIT Size: e.g. 2E, 5E, 6E, 8E, 9E, E, null.
	Manhole
	Pillar
	Cable count of trench is 2. One "Other size" PVC conduit (PO) owned by Telstra (-T-), between pits of sizes, "5" and "9" are 25.0m apart. One 40mm PVC conduit (P40) owned by NBN, between pits of sizes, "5" and "9" are 20.0m apart.
	2 Direct buried cables between pits of sizes, "5" and "9" are 10.0m apart.
	Trench containing any INSERVICE/CONSTRUCTED (Copper/RF/Fibre) cables.
	Trench containing only DESIGNED/PLANNED (Copper/RF/Fibre/Power) cables.
	Trench containing any INSERVICE/CONSTRUCTED (Power) cables.
	Road and the street name "Broadway ST"
Scale	0 20 40 60 Meters 1:2000 1 cm equals 20 m





Emergency Contacts

You must immediately report any damage to the **nbn**[™] network that you are/become aware of. Notification may be by telephone - 1800 626 329.



Working near **nbn**TM cables

nbn has partnered with Dial Before You Dig to give you a single point of contact to get information about **nbn** underground services owned by **nbn** and other utility/service providers in your area including communications, electricity, gas and other services. Contact with underground power cables and gas services can result in serious injury to the worker, and damage and costly repairs. You must familiarise yourself with all of the Referral Conditions (meaning the referral conditions referred to in the DBYD Notice provided by **nbn**).

Practice safe work habits

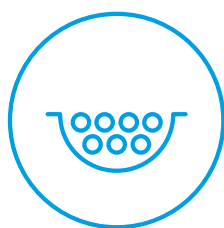
Once the DBYD plans are reviewed, the Five P's of Excavation should be adopted in conjunction with your safe work practices (which must be compliant with the relevant state Electrical Safety Act and Safe Work Australia "Excavation Work Code of Practice", as a minimum) to ensure the risk of any contact with underground **nbn** assets are minimised.



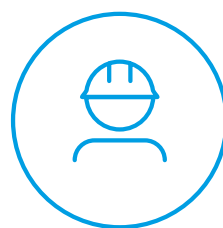
Plan: Plan your job by ensuring the plans received are current and apply to the work to be performed. Also check for any visual cues that may indicate the presence of services not covered in the DBYD plans.



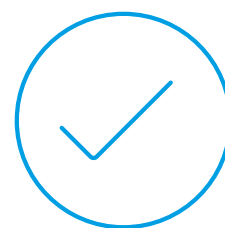
Prepare: Prepare for your job by engaging a DBYD Certified Plant Locator to help interpret plans and identify on-site assets. Contact **nbn** should you require further assistance.



Pothole: Non-destructive potholing (i.e. hand digging or hydro excavation) should be used to positively locate **nbn** underground assets with minimal risk of contact and service damage.

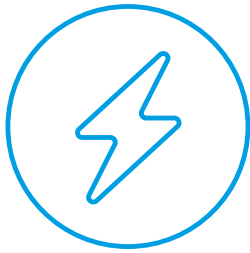


Protect: Protecting and supporting the exposed **nbn** underground asset is the responsibility of the worker. Exclusion zones for **nbn** assets are clearly stated in the plan and appropriate controls must be implemented to ensure that encroachment into the exclusion zone by machinery or activities with the potential to damage the asset is prevented.

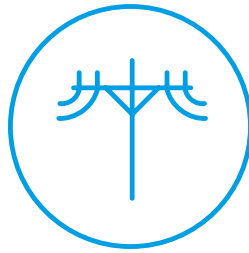


Proceed: Proceed only when the appropriate planning, preparation, potholing and protective measures are in place.

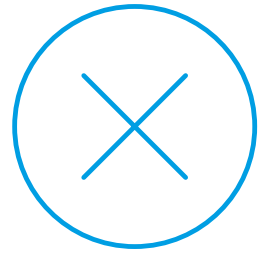
Working near **nbn**TM cables



Identify all electrical hazards, assess the risks and establish control measures.



When using excavators and other machinery, also check the location of overhead power lines.



Workers and equipment must maintain safety exclusion zones around power lines.

Once all work is completed, the excavation should be re-instated with the same type of excavated material unless specified by **nbn**. Please note:

- Construction Partners of **nbn** may require additional controls to be in place when performing excavation activities.
- The information contained within this pamphlet must be used in conjunction with other material supplied as part of this request for information to adequately control the risk of potential asset damage.

Contact

All **nbn**TM network facility damages must be reported online [here](#).
For enquiries related to your DBYD request please call 1800 626 329.

Disclaimer

This brochure is a guide only. It does not address all the matters you need to consider when working near our cables. You must familiarise yourself with other material provided (including the Referral Conditions) and make your own inquiries as appropriate.

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Before You Dig Australia Job #:	51805876	
Sequence #	264869629	
Issue Date:	27/11/2025	
Location:	280 Macarthur Avenue , Hamilton , QLD , 4007	

Information

The area of interest requested by you contains one or more assets.

nbn™ Assets	Search Results
Communications	Asset identified
Electricity	No assets

In this notice **nbn™ Facilities** means *underground fibre optic, telecommunications and/or power facilities, including but not limited to cables, owned and controlled by nbn™*

Location of nbn™ Underground Assets

We thank you for your enquiry. In relation to your enquiry at the above address:

- **nbn's** records indicate that there **ARE nbn™** Facilities in the vicinity of the location identified above ("Location").
- **nbn** indicative plan/s are attached with this notice ("Indicative Plans").
- The Indicative Plan/s show general depth and alignment information only and are not an exact, scale or accurate depiction of the location, depth and alignment of **nbn™** Facilities shown on the Plan/s.
- In particular, the fact that the Indicative Plans show that a facility is installed in a straight line, or at uniform depth along its length cannot be relied upon as evidence that the facility is, in fact, installed in a straight line or at uniform depth.
- You should read the Indicative Plans in conjunction with this notice and in particular, the notes below.
- You should note that, at the present time, the Indicative Plans are likely to be more accurate in showing location of fibre optics and telecommunications cables than power cables. There may be a variation between the line depicted on the Indicative Plans and the location of any power cables. As such, consistent with the notes below, particular care must be taken by you to make your own enquiries and investigations to precisely locate any power cables and manage the risk arising from such cables accordingly.
- The information contained in the Indicative Plan/s is valid for 28 days from the date of issue set out above. You are expected to make your own inquiries and perform your own investigations (including engaging appropriately qualified plant locators, e.g BYDA Certified Locators, at your cost to locate **nbn™** Facilities during any activities you carry out on site).

We thank you for your enquiry and appreciate your continued use of the Before You Dig Australia Service. For any enquiries related to moving assets or Planning and Design activities, please visit the **nbn Commercial Works** website to complete the online application form. If you are planning to excavate and require further information, please email dbyd@nbnco.com.au or call 1800 626 329.

Notes:

1. You are now aware that there are **nbn™** Facilities in the vicinity of the above property that could be damaged as a result activities carried out (or proposed to be carried out) by you in the vicinity of the Location.
2. You should have regard to section 474.6 and 474.7 of the *Criminal Code Act 1995* (CoA) which deals with the consequences of interfering or tampering with a telecommunications facility. Only persons authorised by **nbn** can interact with **nbn's** network facilities.
3. Any information provided is valid only for **28 days** from the date of issue set out above.

Referral Conditions

The following are conditions on which **nbn** provides you with the Indicative Plans. By accepting the plans, you are agreeing to these conditions. These conditions are in addition, and not in replacement of, any duties and obligations you have under applicable law.

1. **nbn** does not accept any responsibility for any inaccuracies of its plans including the Indicative Plans. You are expected to make your own inquiries and perform your own investigations (including engaging appropriately qualified plant locators, e.g BYDA Certified Locators, at your cost to locate **nbn™** Facilities during any activities you carry out on site).
2. You acknowledge that **nbn** has specifically notified you above that the Indicative Plans are likely to be more accurate in showing location of fibre optics and telecommunications cables than power cables. There may be a variation between the line depicted on the Indicative Plans and the location of any power cables.
3. You should not assume that **nbn™** Facilities follow straight lines or are installed at uniform depths

along their lengths, even if they are indicated on plans provided to you. Careful onsite investigations are essential to locate the exact position of cables.

4. In carrying out any works in the vicinity of **nbn**™ Facilities, you must maintain the following minimum clearances:
 - 300mm when laying assets inline, horizontally or vertically.
 - 500mm when operating vibrating equipment, for example: jackhammers or vibrating plates.
 - 1000mm when operating mechanical excavators.
 - Adherence to clearances as directed by other asset owner's instructions and take into account any uncertainty for power cables.
5. You are aware that there are inherent risks and dangers associated with carrying out work in the vicinity of underground facilities (such as **nbn**™ fibre optic, copper and coaxial cables, and power cable feed to **nbn**™ assets). Damage to underground electric cables may result in:
 - Injury from electric shock or severe burns, with the possibility of death.
 - Interruption of the electricity supply to wide areas of the city.
 - Damage to your excavating plant.
 - Responsibility for the cost of repairs.
6. You must take all reasonable precautions to avoid damaging **nbn**™ Facilities. These precautions may include but not limited to the following:
 - All excavation sites should be examined for underground cables by careful hand excavation. Cable cover slabs if present must not be disturbed. Hand excavation needs to be undertaken with extreme care to minimise the likelihood of damage to the cable, for example: the blades of hand equipment should be aligned parallel to the line of the cable rather than digging across the cable.
 - If any undisclosed underground cables are located, notify **nbn** immediately.
 - All personnel must be properly briefed, particularly those associated with the use of earth-moving equipment, trenching, boring and pneumatic equipment.
 - The safety of the public and other workers must be ensured.
 - All excavations must be undertaken in accordance with all relevant legislation and regulations.
7. You will be responsible for all damage to **nbn**™ Facilities that are connected whether directly, or indirectly with work you carry out (or work that is carried out for you or on your behalf) at the Location. This will include, without limitation, all losses expenses incurred by **nbn** as a result of any such damage.
8. You must immediately report any damage to the **nbn**™ network that you are/become aware of. Notification may be by telephone - 1800 626 329.
9. Except to the extent that liability may not be capable of lawful exclusion, **nbn** and its servants and agents and the related bodies corporate of **nbn** and their servants and agents shall be under no liability whatsoever to any person for any loss or damage (including indirect or consequential loss or damage) however caused (including, without limitation, breach of contract negligence and/or breach of statute) which may be suffered or incurred from or in connection with this information sheet or any plans (including Indicative Plans) attached hereto. Except as expressly provided to the contrary in this information sheet or the attached plans (including Indicative Plans), all terms, conditions, warranties, undertakings or representations (whether expressed or implied) are excluded to the fullest extent permitted by law.

All works undertaken shall be in accordance with all relevant legislations, acts and regulations applicable to the particular state or territory of the Location. The following table lists all relevant documents that shall be considered and adhered to.

State/Territory	Documents
National	Work Health and Safety Act 2011
	Work Health and Safety Regulations 2011
	Safe Work Australia - Working in the Vicinity of Overhead and Underground Electric Lines (Draft)

	Occupational Health and Safety Act 1991
NSW	Electricity Supply Act 1995
	Work Cover NSW - Work Near Underground Assets Guide
	Work Cover NSW - Excavation Work: Code of Practice
VIC	Electricity Safety Act 1998
	Electricity Safety (Network Asset) Regulations 1999
QLD	Electrical Safety Act 2002
	Code of Practice for Working Near Exposed Live Parts
SA	Electricity Act 1996
TAS	Tasmanian Electricity Supply Industry Act 1995
WA	Electricity Act 1945
	Electricity Regulations 1947
NT	Electricity Reform Act 2005
	Electricity Reform (Safety and Technical) Regulations 2005
ACT	Electricity Act 1971

Thank You,

nbn BYDA

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GPO Box 2765
Brisbane QLD 4001

Date: 27 Nov 2025

Before You Dig Australia Response

Please DO NOT SEND A REPLY to this email as it has been automatically generated and replies are not monitored.

Dear Matthew Sauer

We appreciate your diligence in contacting the Before You Dig Australia service (**BYDA**) prior to engaging in work or activities which may affect the water and sewerage infrastructure of Urban Utilities.

Job Number:	51805876
Sequence Number:	264869631
Enquiry Date:	27/11/2025 11:22:00 AM
Enquiry Location:	280 Macarthur Avenue Hamilton QLD 4007

WARNING: When working in the vicinity of Urban Utilities' assets you have a legal *Duty of Care* that must be observed.

Our records indicate the presence of infrastructure owned by Urban Utilities within your nominated search area, as shown on the attached plan.

Please note that you may be liable for any loss or damage to our infrastructure which is caused by any works or activities which you undertake over or near such infrastructure. Additionally, your works or activities may conflict with other works scheduled in your nominated search area. To avoid any unnecessary impacts, before any undertaking you must obtain the following approvals:

- And/or a Urban Utilities Network Access Permit for self assessable works or activities that are within two metres of our infrastructure (refer to [Urban Utilities Network Access Permit Webpage](#))
- Either a Build Over Asset (BOA) Approval for assessable building works undertaken within specified distances of our infrastructure (refer to [DHPW BOA Factsheet](#))

We have provided additional information about your responsibilities in relation to our infrastructure in the Important Information sheet attached to this letter. By accessing BYDA to obtain our records about our infrastructure, you warrant that you have read the sheet and agree to the terms and conditions set out therein.

For further enquiries or assistance with interpretation of plans and search content please contact our BYDA Support Team by email networkaccess@urbanutilities.com.au. Alternatively, you can write to us at Urban Utilities, PO Box 2765, Brisbane QLD 4001.

Thank you for taking the time to consult the BYDA service.

Yours sincerely

Before You Dig Australia Support Team
Urban Utilities
networkaccess@urbanutilities.com.au

To best manage the risk of damage and liability, we recommend that you engage the services of a [BYDA Certified Locator](#)

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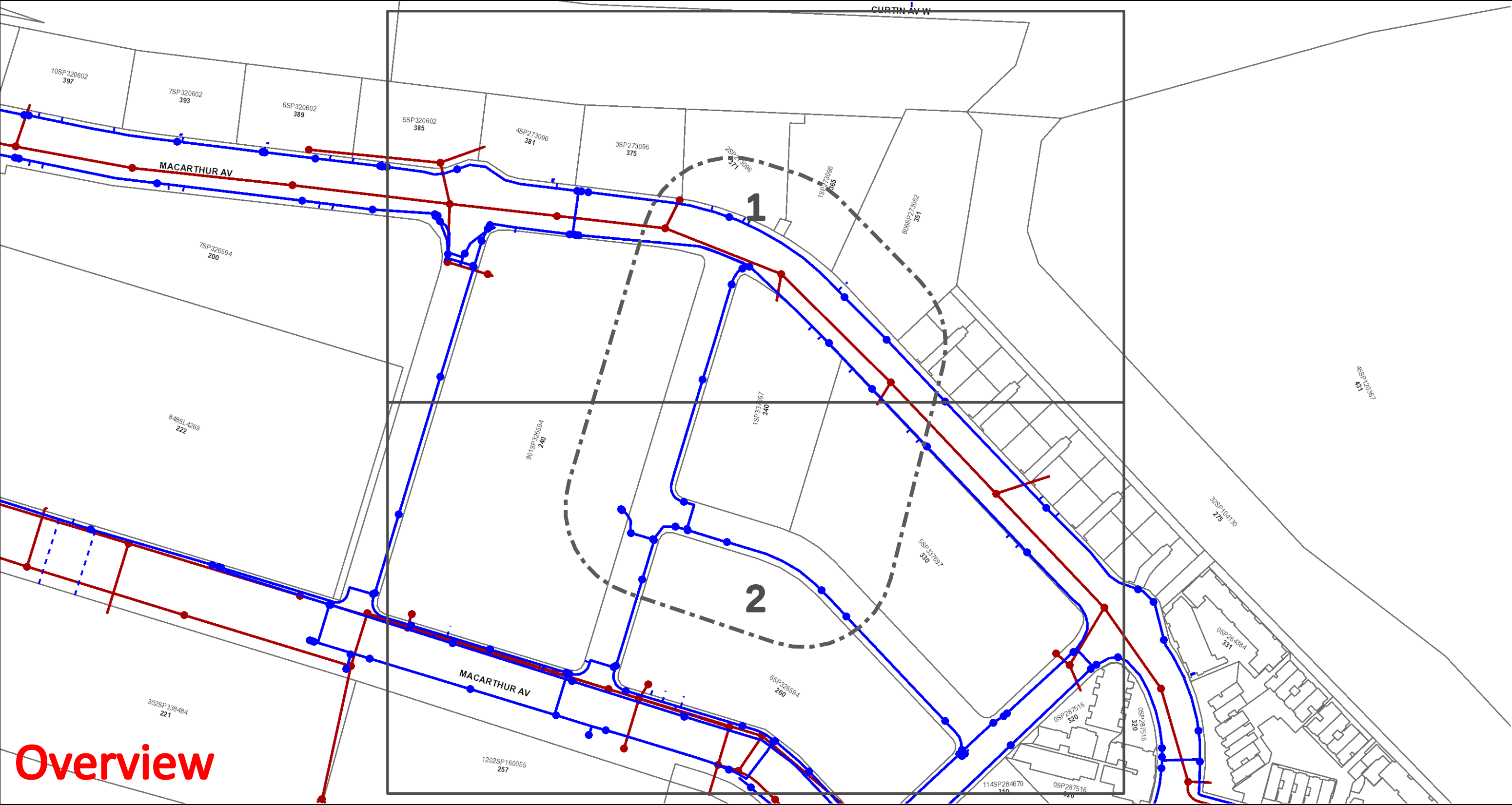
This enquiry response, including any associated documentation, has been assessed and compiled from the information detailed within the BYDA enquiry outlined above. **Please ensure that the BYDA enquiry details and this response accurately reflect your proposed works.**

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Urban Utilities - Water, Recycled Water and Sewer Infrastructure



Overview



Before You Dig Australia- Urban Utilities Water, Recycled Water and Sewer Infrastructure

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Sewer

- Infrastructure
- Major Infrastructure
- Network Pipelines
- Network Structures

Water

- Infrastructure
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- Network Structures
- Water Service (Indicative only)

Recycled Water

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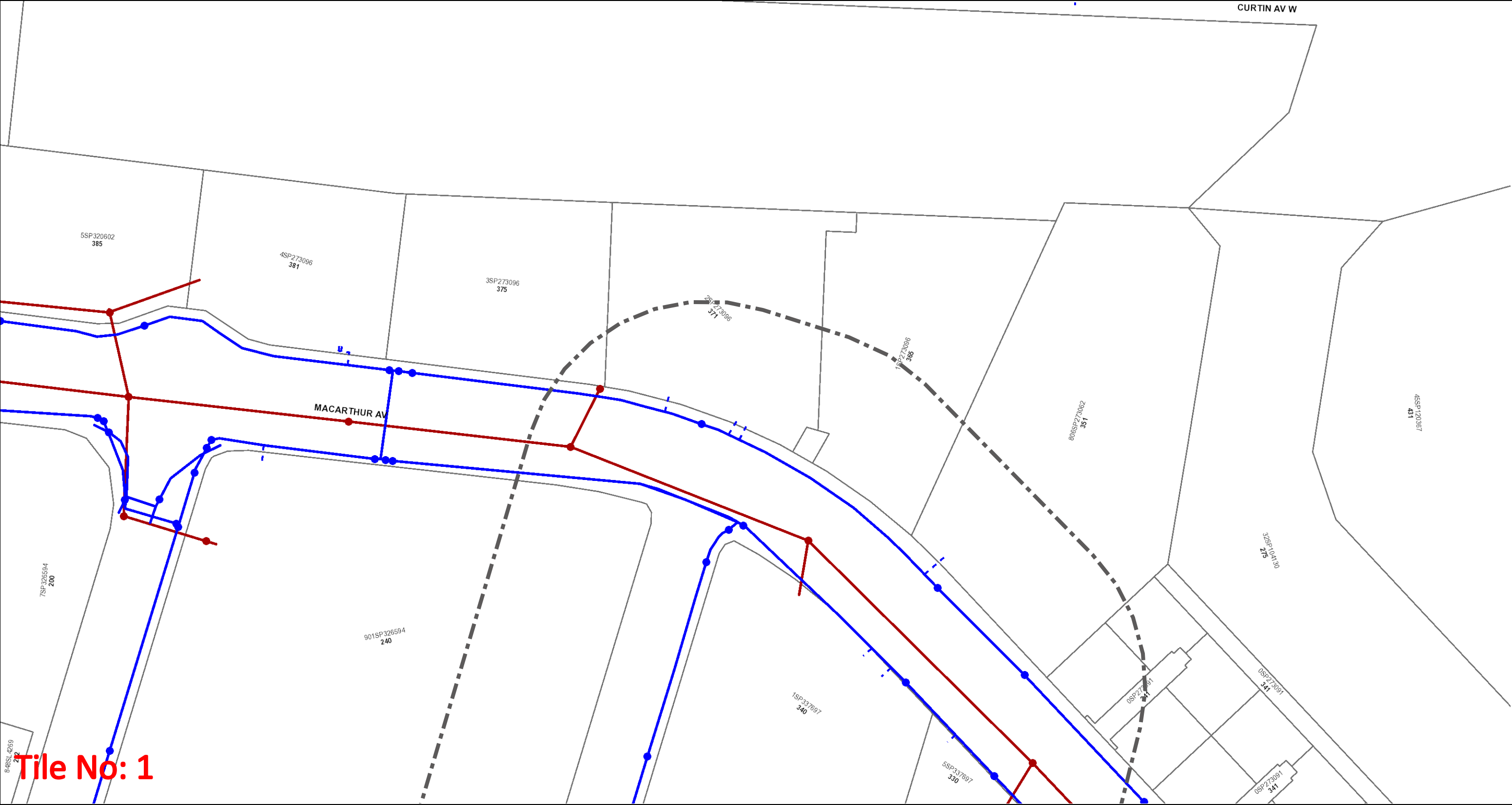
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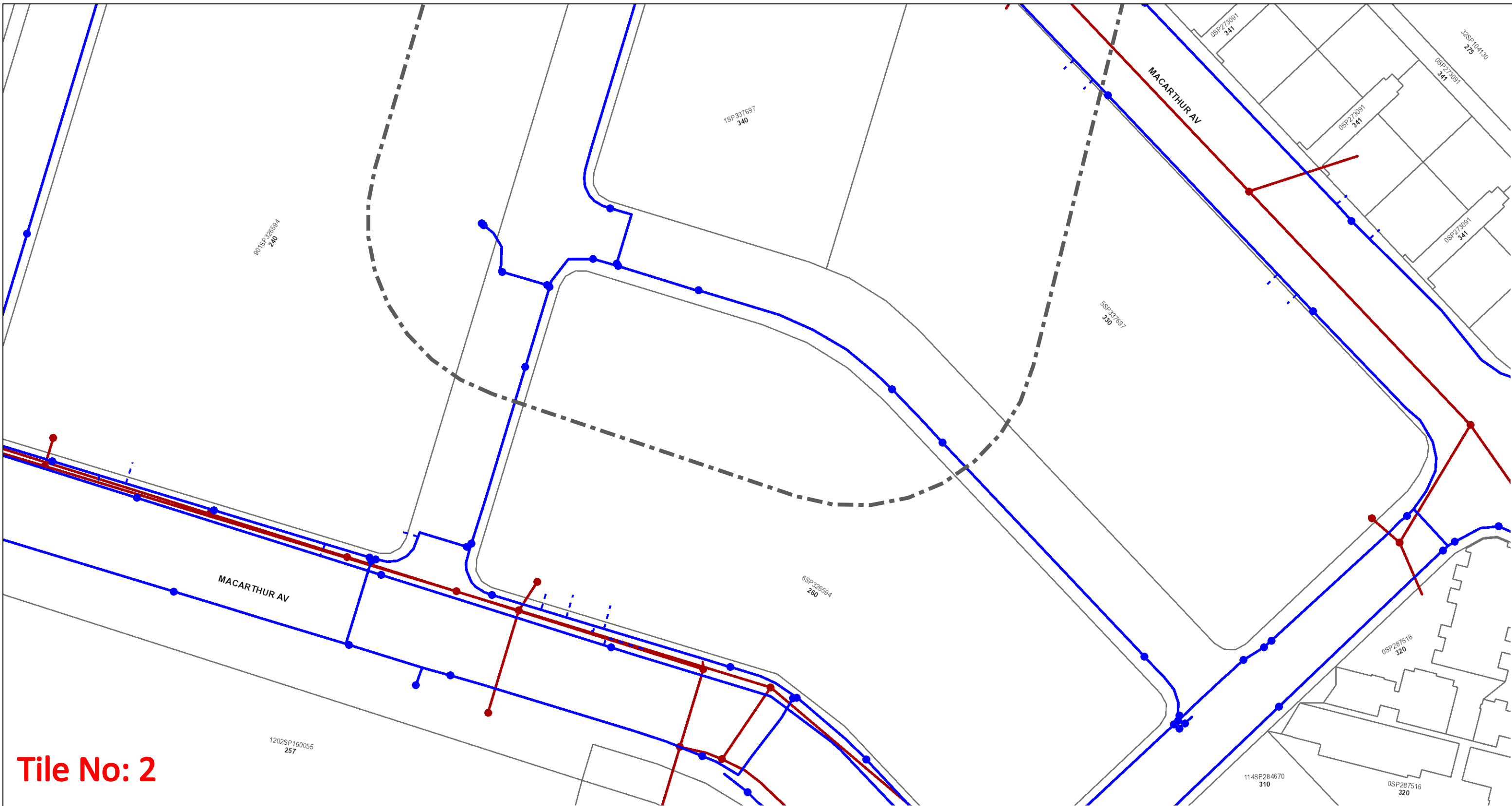
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Important Information

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You also agree that Urban Utilities does not assume any responsibility or duty of care in respect of, or warrant, guarantee or make any representation as to the Data (including its accuracy, reliability, currency or suitability).

Because the location of Urban Utilities' infrastructure shown on the Data is approximate only, you must first physically locate the infrastructure by utilising relevant site detection methodologies prior to performing any works or undertaking any activities near or adjacent to infrastructure. Possible site detection methodologies include hand digging, potholing, trenching and/or probing. You are solely responsible for the selection of appropriate site detection methodologies at all times.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, Urban Utilities will not be liable to you in contract, tort, equity, under statute or otherwise arising from or in connection with the provision of any Data to you via BYDA.

Compliance with laws

There may be both indicated and unmarked hazards, dangers or encumbrances, including underground asbestos pipes and abandoned mains within your nominated search area. You are solely responsible for ensuring that appropriate care is taken at all times and that you comply with all mandatory requirements relating to such matters, including in relation to workplace health and safety.

Damaged Infrastructure

Please note that it is an offence under Section 192 of the *Water Supply (Safety and Reliability) Act 2008* to interfere with our infrastructure without Urban Utilities' written consent.

You may be liable to Urban Utilities for any loss of or damage to our infrastructure, together with any consequential or indirect loss or damage (including without limitation, loss of use, loss of profits or loss of revenue) arising from or in connection with any interference with Urban Utilities' infrastructure by you or any other person for which you are legally responsible.

Any damage to Urban Utilities' Infrastructure must be reported immediately to the (24 Hours) Faults and Emergencies Team on 13 23 64.

Links

Technical Standards: <https://urbanutilities.com.au/development/help-and-advice/standards-and-guidelines>

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Attention: Matthew Sauer

Site Location: 280 Macarthur Avenue, Hamilton, QLD 4007

Your Job Reference: Hamilton Site 17.2

Please do not reply to this email, this is an automated message -

Thank you for requesting Telstra information via Before You Dig Australia (BYDA). This response contains Telstra Information relating to your recent request.

 Accredited Plant Locator	General Contact Information including applications required to view Cable Plans - DWF & PDF
 Telstra Duty of Care V32	Your responsibility and Legal requirements working near Telstra's Assets
 Telstra Map Legend 4.0	Common Symbols on Cable Plans and Safe Clearance distances when working near Telstra Assets

Please note:

When working in the vicinity of telecommunications plant you have a 'Duty of Care' that must be observed.

Ensure you read all documents (attached) - they contain important information.

In particular please read and familiarise yourself with the Before you Dig Australia - BEST PRACTISE GUIDES and The five Ps of safe excavation <https://www.byda.com.au/before-you-dig/best-practice-guides/>, as these documents set out the essential steps that must be undertaken prior to commencing construction activities.

 Best practice guides and the five P's of safe excavation	These are the essential steps to be undertaken prior to commencing construction activities	Essential Steps : Link 5 P's: Link
	We highly recommend using certified locators where possible.	CERTLOC : Link
 1800 653 935 Telstra Plan Services	Whenever in doubt please contact this number for Telstra BYDA map related enquiries email Telstra.Plans@team.telstra.com	Note: that Telstra plans are only valid for 60 days from the date of issue
 How to Report Damage to Telstra Equipment	If you think you have damaged Telstra Assets, please Report it ASAP.	Call: 13 22 03 Report Online: Link

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WARNING - MAJOR CABLES and/or OPTIC FIBRE IN THE AREA.

Phone 1800 653 935 for further assistance.

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(See attached file: *Telstra Duty of Care v33.0a.pdf*)

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General Information



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OPENING ELECTRONIC MAP ATTACHMENTS –

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DWF Map Files (all sizes over A3)
Autodesk Viewer (Internet Browser) <https://viewer.autodesk.com/> or
Autodesk Design Review <http://usa.autodesk.com/design-review/> for DWF files.
(Windows PC)



PDF Map Files (max size A3)
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Telstra New Connections / Disconnections
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Telstra Aerial Assets Group (overhead network)
1800 047 909

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- 500mm Vibrating Plate or Wacker Packer Compactor
- 600mm Heavy Vehicle Traffic (over 3 tonnes) not to be driven across Telstra ducts or plant.
- 1.0m Jackhammers/Pneumatic Breakers
- 2.0m Boring Equipment (in-line, horizontal and vertical)

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Telstra Location Intelligence Team 1800 653 935

Before You Dig Australia

Think before you dig

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If you are working or excavating near telecommunications cables, or there is a chance that cables are located near your site, you are responsible to avoid causing damage to the Telstra network.

Please read this document carefully. Taking your time now and following the BYDA's Best Practices and 5 Ps of Safe Excavation <https://www.byda.com.au/before-you-dig/best-practice-guides/>

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This Notice has been provided as a guide only and may not provide you with all the information that is required for you to determine what assets are on or near your site of interest. You will also need to collate and understand all information received from other Utilities and understand that some Utilities are not a part of the BYDA program and make your own enquiries as appropriate. It is the responsibility of the entities arranging for the works to be performed, supervising the works, and undertaking the works to protect Telstra network during excavation / construction works.

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Once all work is completed, the excavation should be reinstated with the same type of excavated material unless specified by Telstra.

The information contained within this pamphlet must be used in conjunction with other material supplied as part of this request for information to adequately control the risk of potential asset damage.

When using excavators and other machinery, also check the location of overhead power lines.

Workers and equipment must maintain safety exclusion zones around power lines

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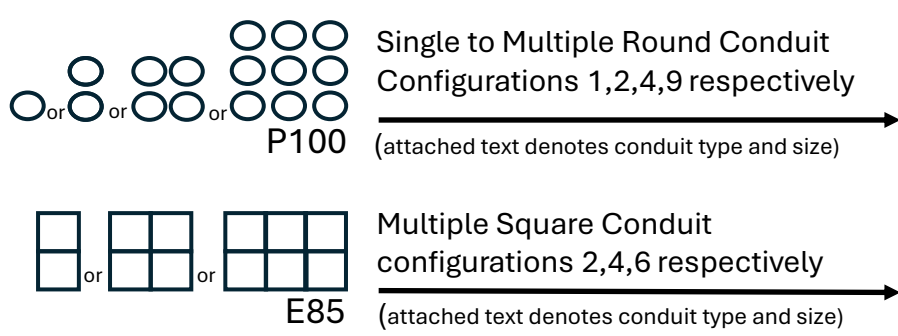
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LEGEND



	Leadin terminates at a Customer Address		Cable Joining Pit Number / Letter indicating Pit type/size
	Exchange Major Cable Present		Elevated Joint (above ground joint on buried cable)
	Pillar / Cabinet Above ground Free Standing		Telstra Plant in shared Utility trench
	Above ground Complex Equipment Please note: Powered by 240v electricity		Aerial cable / or cable on wall
OC	Other Carrier Telecommunication Cable/ Asset. Not Telstra Owned		Aerial cable (attached to joint use Pole e.g., Power Pole)
DIST	Distribution cables in Main Cable Ducts		Marker Post Installed
MC	Main Cable ducts on a Distribution Plan		Buried Transponder
	Blocked or Damaged Duct		Marker Post & Transponder
	Footway Access Chamber (can vary between 1-lid to 12-lid)		Optical Fibre Cable Direct Buried
	NBN Pillar		Direct Buried Cable
	Third Party Owned Network Non-Telstra		nbn owned network



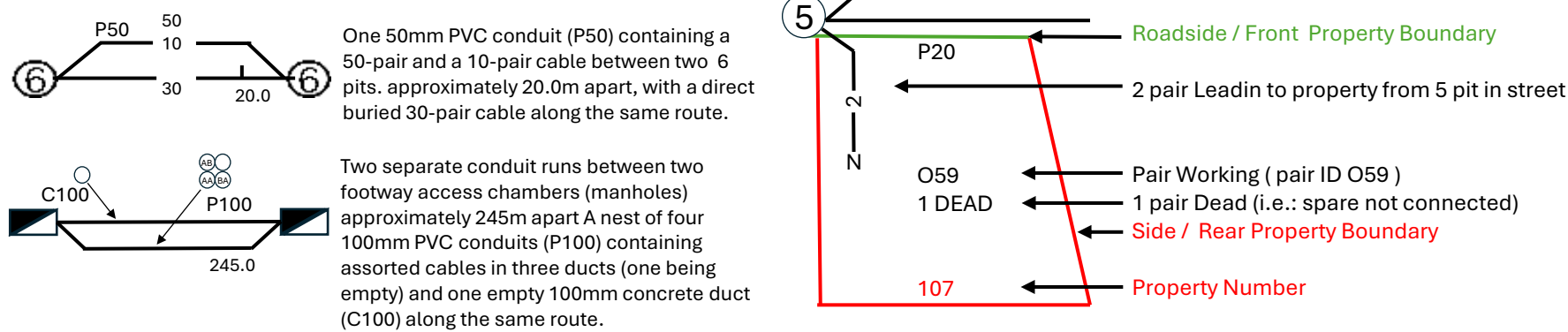
Some examples of conduit type and size:

A - Asbestos cement, P - PVC / Plastic, C - Concrete, GI - Galvanised Iron, E - Earthenware

Conduit sizes nominally range from 20mm to 100mm

P50 50mm PVC conduit
P100 100mm PVC conduit
A100 100mm asbestos cement conduit

Some Examples of how to read Telstra Plans



The 5 Ps of Safe Excavation

<https://www.byda.com.au/before-you-dig/best-practice-guides/>

Plan	Prepare	Pothole	Protect	Proceed
Plan your job. Use the BYDA service at least one day before your job is due to begin, and ensure you have the correct plans and information required to carry out a safe project.	Prepare by communicating with asset owners if you need assistance. Look for clues onsite. Engage a Certified Locator.	Potholing is physically sighting the asset by hand digging or hydro vacuum extraction.	Protecting and supporting the exposed infrastructure is the responsibility of the excavator. Always erect safety barriers in areas of risk and enforce exclusion zones.	Only proceed with your excavation work after planning, preparing, potholing (unless prohibited), and having protective measures in place.



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Appendix E – BCC Code Response

8.2.11 Flood overlay code

8.2.11.1 Application

1. This code applies to assessing development in the Flood overlay, if:
 - a. accepted development subject to compliance with identified requirements, where acceptable outcomes of this code are identified requirements in a table of assessment for an overlay (section 5.10); or
 - b. assessable development where this code is an applicable code identified in the assessment benchmarks column of a table of assessment for an overlay (section 5.10); or
 - c. impact assessable development.
2. Land in the Flood overlay is identified on the Flood overlay map and is included in the following sub-categories:
 - a. Brisbane River flood planning area 1 sub-category;
 - b. Brisbane River flood planning area 2a sub-category;
 - c. Brisbane River flood planning area 2b sub-category;
 - d. Brisbane River flood planning area 3 sub-category;
 - e. Brisbane River flood planning area 4 sub-category;
 - f. Brisbane River flood planning area 5 sub-category;
 - g. Creek/waterway flood planning area 1 sub-category;
 - h. Creek/waterway flood planning area 2 sub-category;
 - i. Creek/waterway flood planning area 3 sub-category;
 - j. Creek/waterway flood planning area 4 sub-category;
 - k. Creek/waterway flood planning area 5 sub-category;
 - l. Overland flow flood planning area sub-category.

Editor's note—For the purposes of the overlay, the Pine and South Pine rivers are treated as Creek/waterway flood planning area sub-categories.

Note—The Flood overlay is a 'natural hazard area' for the purpose of the State Planning Policy. Within this area, susceptibility to flooding has been identified. The natural hazard area identified on the Flood overlay map may not reflect the full extent of the flood affected area.

3. When using this code, reference should be made to section 1.5 and section 5.3.3.

Note—The following purpose, overall outcomes, performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes comprise the assessment benchmarks of this code.

Note—Where this code includes performance outcomes or acceptable outcomes that relate to:

- management of flood hazard or hydraulic hazard, guidance is provided in the Flood planning scheme policy;
- filling or excavation within the Creek/waterway flood planning area sub-categories, guidance is provided in the Compensatory earthworks planning scheme policy;
- handling or storage of hazardous materials, guidance is provided in the Management of hazardous chemicals in flood affected areas planning scheme policy;
- standards and specifications for public assets in a park, guidance is provided in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy;
- standards and specifications for stormwater drainage assets, guidance is provided in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.

Editor's note—For a proposal to be accepted development subject to compliance with identified requirements, it must meet all the identified acceptable outcomes of this code that relate to the applicable sub-category and any other applicable code. Where it does not meet all identified acceptable outcomes, the proposal becomes assessable development and a development application is required. Where a development application is required, only the specific acceptable outcomes that the proposal fails to meet need to be assessed against the corresponding assessable acceptable outcomes or performance outcomes and relevant overall outcomes. Other identified acceptable outcomes that are met are not assessed as part of the development application.

8.2.11.2 Purpose

1. The purpose of the Flood overlay code is to:
 - a. Implement the policy direction in the Strategic framework, in particular:
 - i. Theme 2: Brisbane's outstanding lifestyle, and Element 2.3 – Brisbane's healthy and safe communities;
 - ii. Theme 4: Brisbane's highly effective transport and infrastructure networks, and Element 4.3 – Brisbane's coordinated infrastructure planning and delivery.
 - b. Provide for the assessment of the suitability of development in the Flood overlay.
2. The purpose of the Flood overlay code will be achieved through the following overall outcomes:
 - a. Development minimises exposure of people and property to unacceptable risk from flood hazard in all flood events.
 - b. Development and infrastructure mitigates the flood risk through its location, siting, design, construction and operation whilst maintaining amenity.
 - c. Development does not unduly burden the city's counter-disaster response capacity, including emergency services access during a flood emergency.
 - d. Development provides for efficient evacuation and access for evacuation resources including emergency services during flood events, or otherwise plans for the prospect and impact of isolation or hindered evacuation during flooding.
 - e. Development involving essential community infrastructure remains functional during and immediately after flood events.
 - f. Development ensures that emergency management plans respond to the number and capacity of future users of the development to safely participate in emergency measures such as evacuation.
 - g. Development ensures that essential building services or services essential for the development are designed, located and operated to minimise the flood risk to people, minimise damage to property, disruption to building function, and re-establishment time after a flood event.
 - h. Development involving hazardous materials manufactured, handled or stored in bulk does not adversely impact on public safety and the environment as a result of the impacts of floodwater.
 - i. Development does not, directly or cumulatively, cause or increase adverse impacts on other properties or land within the floodplain from flooding.
 - j. Development and infrastructure mitigates the impacts of hydraulic hazard due to predictable future increases in rainfall intensity on flooding.
 - k. Development prioritises, in order, the safety of people, protection of public infrastructure and protection of private property, in the management of the economic, social and environmental impacts of flooding.

8.2.11.3 Performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes

Table 8.2.11.3.A—Performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	Comments
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Section A—If for accepted development subject to compliance with identified requirements (acceptable outcomes only) or assessable development for a dwelling house including any secondary dwelling Note—Development for a dwelling house does not require assessment against any other sections of this code.		
PO1 Development involving any habitable or non-habitable part of a dwelling house, including any secondary dwelling, is located and designed to: a. minimise the risk to people from flood hazard; b. achieve acceptable flood immunity; c. minimise property impacts from a flood event up to and including the defined flood event; d. minimise disruption to residents, recovery time and rebuilding or restoration costs after a flood event up to and including the defined flood event.	AO1.1 Development for a dwelling house including any secondary dwelling: a. is not located in the Brisbane River flood planning area 1, 2a or 2b sub-categories or the Creek/waterway flood planning area 1 or 2 sub-categories; or b. is only located in these sub-categories, if a Registered Professional Engineer Queensland certifies that the dwelling house and any secondary dwelling are structurally designed to be able to resist hydrostatic and hydrodynamic loads associated with flooding up to and including the defined flood event. AO1.2 Development for a dwelling house and any secondary dwelling complies with the minimum flood planning levels in Table 8.2.11.3.B. Note—If located in an area that has no flood level information available from the Council such as an overland flow path, a Registered Professional Engineer of Queensland with expertise in undertaking flood studies is to certify that the flood level and development levels for the dwelling house and any secondary dwelling achieve the required flood planning levels in Table 8.2.11.3.B. AO1.3 Development involving a building undercroft complies with the minimum clearance requirements in Table 8.2.11.3.E. Editor's note—For creek/waterway, storm-tide and river flooding, applicable flood planning information is available from Council's FloodWise Property Report. Note—The Flood planning scheme policy provides guidance on undercroft design.	N/A

PO2 Development within the Creek/waterway flood planning area sub-categories or Overland flow flood planning area sub-category: a. maintains the conveyance of flood waters to allow flow and debris to pass predominantly unimpeded through the site; b. does not concentrate, intensify or divert floodwater onto upstream, downstream or adjacent properties; c. will not result in a material increase in flood levels or flood hazard on upstream, downstream or adjacent properties.	AO2 Development: a. is not located within the Creek/waterway flood planning area 1, 2 or 3 sub-categories or the Overland flow flood planning area sub-category; or b. provides an open undercroft area from natural ground level to habitable floor level for any area inundated by the defined flood event; or Note—This undercroft area is not suitable for providing non-habitable rooms, secure storage of valuables, or future enclosing for storage or car parking. The clear area may include structural elements such as columns and floor substructure. The Flood planning scheme policy provides guidance on undercroft design. Editor's note—An open undercroft design may be achieved through a 'valance' treatment around the perimeter of an otherwise internally clear undercroft. Editor's note—For Creek/waterway, storm-tide and river flooding, applicable flood planning information is available from Council's FloodWise Property Report. c. a report from a Registered Professional Engineer Queensland certifies that the development in the Creek/waterway flood planning area or Overland flow flood planning area sub-categories will not result in a material increase in flood level or flood hazard on upstream, downstream or adjacent properties. Note—Flood studies demonstrate that the development and engineering design methods conform to the principles within the Flood planning scheme policy and the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	Performance Outcome. Refer to EDGE Consulting Engineers Civil Engineering Report
Section B—If accepted development subject to compliance with identified requirements (acceptable outcomes only) or assessable development other than for a dwelling house or reconfiguring a lot Note—If development that is accepted development subject to compliance with identified requirements complies with the acceptable outcomes of this part, no further assessment against this code is required.		
PO3 Development: a. is compatible with flood hazard in a defined flood event;	AO3 Development for a material change of use is identified in Table 8.2.11.3.C as compatible with the flood hazard in the relevant flood planning area.	N/A

b. minimises the risk to people from flood hazard; c. does not reduce the ability of evacuation resources including emergency services to access and evacuate the site in a flood emergency, with consideration to the scale of the development; d. minimises impacts on property from flooding; e. minimises disruption to residents, business or site operations and recovery time due to flooding; f. minimises the need to rebuild structures after a flood event greater than the defined flood event. Note—Where Table 8.2.11.3.C identifies that a flood risk assessment is required, compliance with this performance outcome can be achieved by submitting a flood risk assessment, which may be included within a flood study, addressing the criteria within this performance solution. Preparing flood risk assessments and flood studies is required to be in accordance with the Flood planning scheme policy. Note—An emergency management plan prepared in accordance with the Flood planning scheme policy, which sets out procedures for evacuation due to flooding may be used to demonstrate compliance with this performance outcome.		
PO4 Development for a park ensures that the design of a park and location of structures and facilities responds to the flood hazard and balances the safety of intended users with: a. maintaining continuity of operations; b. impacts of flooding on asset life and ongoing maintenance costs; c. efficient recovery after flood events; d. recreational benefits to the city; e. availability of suitable land within the park.	AO4.1 Development involving a building or structure in a park complies with the flood planning levels specified in Table 8.2.11.3.D. AO4.2 Development involving a building or structure in a park where Table 8.2.11.3.D does not apply: a. is not located within the 20% AEP flood extent of any creek/waterway or overland flow path; or b. is located above the 20% AEP flood level of any creek/waterway or overland flow path.	N/A
Section C—If for assessable development other than for a dwelling house		
PO5 Development is located and designed to:	AO5.1 Development complies with the flood planning levels specified in Table 8.2.11.3.D.	N/A

a. minimise the risk to people from flood hazard on the site; b. minimise flood damage to the development and contents of buildings up to the defined flood event; c. provide suitable amenity; d. minimise disruption to residents, recovery time and the need to rebuild structures after a flood event up to and including the defined flood event.	Note—If located in an area with no Council-derived flood levels such as an overland flow path, a Registered Professional Engineer Queensland with expertise in undertaking flood studies is to derive the applicable flood level and certify that the development meets the required flood planning levels in Table 8.2.11.3.D. The study is to demonstrate that the development and engineering design methods conform to the principles within the Flood planning scheme policy and the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy. AO5.2 Development is: a. not located in the: i. Brisbane River flood planning area 1, 2a, or 2b sub-categories; ii. Creek/waterway flood planning area 1 or 2 sub-categories; iii. Overland flow flood planning area sub-category; or b. only located in these sub-categories if a Registered Professional Engineer Queensland with expertise in undertaking flood studies certifies that: i. the development design, siting and any mitigation measures will ensure the development is structurally adequate to resist hydrostatic, hydrodynamic and debris impact loads associated with flooding up to the defined flood event; and ii. the risk to people is managed to an acceptable level.	
PO6 Development involving essential electrical services or a basement storage area is suitably located and designed to ensure public safety and minimise flood recovery and economic consequences of damage during a flood.	AO6.1 Development ensures that: a. all areas containing essential electrical services comply with the flood planning levels in Table 8.2.11.3.D; or b. if a basement contains essential electrical services or a private basement storage area, the basement is a waterproof structure with walls and floors	N/A

	impermeable to the passage of water with all entry points and services located at or above the relevant flood planning level in Table 8.2.11.3.D. Note—A basement storage area does not include a bike storage room, change room, building maintenance storage and non-critical electrical services. AO6.2 Development involving a basement that relies on a pumping solution to manage floodwater ingress or for dewatering after a flood provides a secondary pump system with a backup power source for the pump.	
PO7 Development does not directly or indirectly create a material adverse impact on flood behaviour or drainage on properties that are upstream, downstream or adjacent to the development.	AO7.1 Development: a. does not block, or divert floodwaters for any area affected by creek/waterway or overland flow flooding, excluding storm-tide flooding and Brisbane River flooding sources; or b. does not result in a material increase in flood level or hydraulic hazard on upstream, downstream or adjacent properties. Note—Compliance with this acceptable solution can be demonstrated by the submission of a flood study by a Registered Professional Engineer of Queensland with expertise in undertaking flood studies demonstrating that the development and engineering design methods conform to the principles within the Flood planning scheme policy and the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy. AO7.2 Development retains existing overland flow paths and does not rely wholly on piped solutions to manage major flows. AO7.3 Development which creates a new overland flow path or significantly modifies an existing overland flow path via earthworks does not materially worsen hydraulic hazard on the site from existing conditions.	N/A

	Note—Compliance with this acceptable solution can be demonstrated by the submission of a flood study by a Registered Professional Engineer of Queensland with expertise in undertaking flood studies demonstrating that the development and engineering design methods conform to the principles within the Flood planning scheme policy and the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	
PO8 Development for filling or excavation in an area affected by creek/waterway flooding does not directly, indirectly or cumulatively cause any material increase in flooding or hydraulic hazard or involve significant redistribution of flood storage from high to lower areas in the floodplain. Note—This can be demonstrated by undertaking earthworks in compliance with the Compensatory earthworks planning scheme policy. Note—This part of the code applies to all development other than a dwelling house and any secondary dwelling which involves filling or excavation, whether or not the development application comprises a separate development application for operational work involving filling or excavation.	AO8 Development ensures that no filling or excavation greater than 100mm is located in the Creek/waterway flood planning area 1, 2 or 3 sub-categories if contained in the 5% AEP flood extent of any Creek/waterway flood planning area sub-category for which no waterway corridor has been mapped in the Waterway corridors overlay.	N/A
PO9 Development ensures that the building and site design: - maintains the conveyance capacity of existing overland flow paths and creek/waterways; - ensures floodwaters and flood debris can pass predominantly unimpeded under a structure or building to minimise property or building damage, including for a flood larger than the defined flood event; - mitigates flood impacts by ensuring that filling, excavation and location of services are designed to allow for the conveyance of floodwater across the site. Note—The Flood planning scheme policy provides guidance on relevant considerations in determining minimum undercroft clearances and treatment of ground level in undercroft areas where floodwater conveyance is required underneath development.	AO9.1 Development involving a building undercroft in the Creek/waterway flood planning area sub-categories or the Overland flow flood planning area sub-category: - complies with the minimum building undercroft clearance requirements in Table 8.2.11.3.E; - not located directly above any part of a waterway corridor as mapped in the Waterway corridors overlay. AO9.2 Development involving a building undercroft in the Creek/waterway flood planning area sub-categories or the Overland flow flood planning area sub category: - has a ground level within the undercroft area that is free draining; - does not involve excavation below ground level of more than 300mm within the undercroft area.	N/A

PO10 Development for vulnerable uses, difficult to evacuate uses or assembly uses optimises vehicular access and efficient evacuation from the development to parts of the road network unaffected by flood hazard, in order to: - protect safety of users and emergency services personnel; - support efficient emergency services access and site evacuation with consideration to the scale of development. Note—A flood risk assessment may be required to address the performance outcomes or acceptable solutions which deal with evacuation and isolation arrangements, and the ability to take refuge. The Flood planning scheme policy provides information for undertaking flood risk assessments.	AO10 Development for vulnerable uses, difficult to evacuate uses or assembly uses: - is not isolated in any event up to the relevant flood planning level specified in Table 8.2.11.3.L; or - has direct vehicle access to a critical route or interim critical route in the Critical infrastructure and movement network overlay for evacuation in a flood; or - can achieve vehicular evacuation to a suitable flood-free location. Note—A suitable flood-free location is of a size and nature sufficient to provide for the size and characteristics of the population likely to need evacuation to that area.	
PO11 Development has access which, having regard to hydraulic hazard, provides for safe vehicular and pedestrian movement and emergency services access to adjoining roads.	AO11.1 Development provides an access or driveway into the site which is: - trafficable during the defined flood event; - not located in the Creek/waterway flood planning area 1 sub-category; - not located in the Overland flow flood planning area sub-category if the hydraulic hazard is unsafe in the defined flood event; - the access or driveway is not inundated by a 10% AEP flood. AO11.2 Development located in the Creek/waterway flood planning area 1, 2, 3 or 4 sub-categories locates any disabled access in the highest part of the site. Note—explanation of hydraulic hazard provided in the Flood planning scheme policy.	N/A
PO12 Development involving a new road, a bridge or culvert is designed to minimise impacts to flood behaviour,	AO12 Development involving a new road complies with the flood planning levels in Table 8.2.11.3.F.	N/A

minimise disruption to traffic during a flood and allow for emergency access.		
PO13 Development for pedestrian and cyclist paths: a. provides a suitable level of trafficability; b. manages the impacts of flooding on asset life and ongoing maintenance costs; c. balances route availability with recreational and transport connectivity benefits to the city.	AO13.1 Development for cyclist and pedestrian facilities other than on public roads, including those traversing through a park and adjacent to a watercourse and overland flow path, are located above the 39% AEP (2 year ARI) flood immunity from all flooding sources. Note—If the site is subject to more than one type of flooding, the requirement that affords the greatest level of protection will apply. AO13.2 All new on-road cyclist and pedestrian facilities comply with the flood planning levels and trafficability standards for the applicable category of road in Table 8.2.11.3.F or Table 8.2.11.3.K.	N/A
PO14 Development which increases the residential population within the Brisbane River flood planning area sub-categories minimises the risk to people in all flood events with consideration to flood hazard, including warning time.	AO14 Development in the Brisbane River flood planning area sub-categories in areas where the residential flood level is greater than 12.8m AHD involving: a. an increase in the number of residential dwellings; - or b. additional residential lots is not subject to an unsafe hydraulic hazard in the 0.2% AEP flood event. Note—Explanation of a hydraulic hazard is provided in the Flood planning scheme policy.	N/A
Additional performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes for essential community infrastructure		
PO15 Development involving essential community infrastructure: a. remains functional to serve community need during and immediately after a flood event, or is part of a network that is able to maintain the function of the	AO15 Development involving essential community infrastructure: a. is ancillary to and not relied upon for the provision of the essential service during a flood; or	N/A

essential community infrastructure when parts of the development are unable to function during or after a flood; b. is designed, sited and operated to avoid adverse impacts on the community or the environment due to the impacts of flooding on infrastructure, facilities or access and egress routes; c. is able to remain functional or is part of a network which is able to remain functional even when other infrastructure or services (such as electricity supply) may be compromised in a flood event; d. contains mitigation measures which are not entirely dependent on human activation to respond to a flood event. Note—Protection of function is required up to and including the flood event in Table 8.2.11.3.G.	b. is located above the flood planning levels in Table 8.2.11.3.G; c. has access to or provides the necessary back-up emergency electricity and communications supply in times of flood; d. is designed and constructed to resist hydrostatic and hydrodynamic forces as a result of inundation by the flood event listed for the development type in Table 8.2.11.3.G; e. that services a local area: i. is able to be accessed in times of flood to service local community needs up to the event listed for that development type in Table 8.2.11.3.G; or ii. has a service continuity plan that demonstrates the continued provision of service during the relevant flood event.	
Additional performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes if development involves the processes in Table 8.2.11.3.H		
PO16 Development involving the storage and handling of hazardous materials avoids or minimises risks to public health and safety and the environment, by: a. protecting underground tanks for hazardous materials against the forces of buoyancy, velocity flow and debris impacts; b. securing above-ground tanks for hazardous materials against flotation and lateral movement; c. preventing damage to hazardous materials pipework or entry of floodwater into hazardous materials pipework; d. preventing damage to or off-site release of packages, drums or containers storing hazardous materials.	AO16 a. Development does not include the storage or handling of hazardous chemicals that exceed the hazardous chemicals flood hazard threshold quantities in Table 8.2.11.3.M. b. Development involving the processes listed in Table 8.2.11.3.H: i. where located in the Flood overlay area, occurs only in the Creek/waterway flood planning area 5 sub-category or the Brisbane River flood planning area 5 sub-category; or ii. is consistent with the standards contained in the Management of hazardous chemicals in flood affected areas planning scheme policy	N/A

Note—A chemical hazards flood risk report prepared in accordance with the Management of hazardous chemicals in flood affected areas planning scheme policy can assist in demonstrating achievement of this performance outcome. Note—A pump drainage system is not an acceptable measure to meet the performance outcome.	and can operate without risk of environmental harm during a flood event. Note—The Management of hazardous chemicals in flood affected areas planning scheme policy sets out further information and processes including risk assessment for the management of hazardous chemicals in flood planning areas.	
Additional performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes for reconfiguring a lot		
PO17 Development locates and designs all lots resulting from reconfiguring a lot to: - minimise the risk to people from flood hazard; - minimise damage to property from flood hazard; - facilitate safe and efficient evacuation. Note— - Consideration of all floods up to the probable maximum flood is relevant to minimising the risk to people. - Flood warning time is not considered sufficient in the Creek/waterway planning area sub-categories or the Overland flow flood planning area sub-category. - Filling above the flood planning level for a flood event greater than the defined flood event cannot be assumed to mitigate the flood hazard.	AO17.1 Development creating new lots is identified in Table 8.2.11.3.I as suitable within the relevant flood planning area. AO17.2 Development provides for reconfiguring a lot design that achieves a road and lot layout which: - provides trafficable vehicular egress for evacuation during a defined flood event; - optimises hazard-free movement away from sources of flood hazard within the development. Note—Further advice on road and lot layout is contained in the Flood planning scheme policy. AO17.3 Development which creates a new residential lot in an area subject to Brisbane River flooding, if the residential flood level is greater than 12.8m AHD is not subject to a hydraulic hazard greater than 0.6m²/s DV or 0.6m deep in a 0.2% AEP flood. Note—Refer to the Flood planning scheme policy for further explanation on the 0.2% AEP flood.	N/A
PO18 Development involving reconfiguring a lot: - minimises the risk to people from flood hazard; - creates safe evacuation routes or avoids isolation of the development during a flood greater than the defined flood event;	AO18.1 Development involving reconfiguring a lot ensures: - all lots comply with the flood planning levels in Table 8.2.11.3.J; - a new road complies with the flood planning levels in Table 8.2.11.3.F.	N/A

c. minimises damage to property and services; d. provides lots and roads that are not frequently flooded or subject to nuisance ponding or seepage; e. ensures lots created for park or private open space minimise the risk to people from flood hazard and are fit for purpose; f. provides a lot that is not substantially burdened by flood mitigation infrastructure.	AO18.2 Development involving reconfiguring a lot creating more than 6 residential lots or a lot for industry ensures the flood planning levels of a dedicated road fronting the development or providing primary access within 200m of the development: a. complies with Table 8.2.11.3.K; or b. has acceptable trafficability in accordance with the requirements in the Flood planning scheme policy and the Queensland Urban Drainage Manual. Note—The Flood planning scheme policy contains supporting information about trafficability on existing roads and serviceability during floods.	
	AO18.3 Development protects the conveyance of flood hazard area by providing an easement over the: a. 2% AEP flood extent for overland flow flooding; b. 1% AEP flood extent for creek/waterway flooding.	

Table 8.2.11.3.B—Flood planning levels for a dwelling house (BCA building classification 1a)

Flooding source	Minimum habitable floor level	Minimum non-habitable floor level (i.e. utility areas, garage, laundry, storage room and basement entries)
Brisbane River	RFL + 500mm	2% AEP flood level + 300mm
Creek/ waterway	1% AEP flood level + 500mm	1% AEP flood level + 300mm
Overland flow	2% AEP flood level + 500mm	2% AEP level + 300mm
	Note—Where no detailed flood level information is available from the Council such as an overland flow path, a Registered Professional Engineer Queensland with expertise in flood studies is to derive the relevant flood level and certify that the development level for the dwelling house, including any secondary dwelling, meets the required flood immunity standards.	

Note—

- Where the site is subject to more than one flooding source, the minimum flood planning level is the highest level determined from these flooding sources.
- Flood planning levels for a dwelling house from storm-tide inundation are located in the Coastal hazard overlay code.

- A flood event with an AEP of 1% is the equivalent of a 100 year ARI flood event.
- A flood event with an AEP of 2% is the equivalent of a 50 year ARI flood event.

Table 8.2.11.3.C—Land use compatibility with flood hazard

C – Land use is compatible with the flood hazard subject to meeting all other relevant requirements.

– Flood risk assessment in accordance with requirements of the Flood planning scheme policy is required to demonstrate the use is compatible with the flood hazard.

Accommodation activities	Brisbane River flood planning area sub-category						Creek/waterway flood planning area sub-category					Overland flow flood planning area sub-category
	5	4	3	2B	2A	1	5	4	3	2	1	
Community residence	C	#	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	#
Dual occupancy	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Dwelling unit	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Multiple dwelling (1–3 storeys)	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Multiple dwelling (4+ storeys)	C	C	C	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Nature-based tourism	C	C	C	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Relocatable home park	C	#	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Residential care facility	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#
Resort complex	C	C	C	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Retirement facility	C	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	C

Rooming accommodation, short-term accommodation or hotel where including accommodation (1–3 storeys)	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Rooming accommodation, short-term accommodation or hotel where including accommodation (4+ storeys)	C	C	C	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Tourist park	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Commercial land uses	Brisbane River flood planning area sub-category						Creek/waterway flood planning area sub-category					Overland flow flood planning area sub-category
	5	4	3	2B	2A	1	5	4	3	2	1	
Agricultural supplies store	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Animal husbandry	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Animal keeping	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Aquaculture	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Bulk landscape supplies	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	#	#	C

Car park ancillary to another use	C	C	C	C	C	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Car wash	C	C	C	C	C	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Food and drink outlet	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Function facility	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Garden centre	C	C	C	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Hardware and trade supplies	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Home-based business	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Hotel (where not including accommodation)	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Market	C	C	C	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Nightclub entertainment facility	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Office	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Outdoor sales	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Parking station	C	C	C	C	C	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Roadside stalls	C	C	C	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Sales office	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Shop, Adult store	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Shopping centre	C	#	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Showroom	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C

Theatre	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Tourist attraction	C	C	C	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Veterinary service	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Wholesale nursery	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	#	#	C
Community land uses	Brisbane River flood planning area sub-category						Creek/waterway flood planning area sub-category					Overland flow flood planning area sub-category
	5	4	3	2B	2A	1	5	4	3	2	1	
Childcare centre	C	#	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	#
Club	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Community care centre	C	#	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Community use	C	#	#	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Educational establishment (and outdoor education centre)	C	#	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Environment facility	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
Health care service	C	#	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Hospital	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#
Indoor sport and recreation	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C

Major sport, recreation and entertainment facility	C	#	#	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Motor sport facility	C	C	C	#	#	#	C	C	C	#	#	C
Outdoor sport and recreation	C	C	C	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Park	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
Place of worship	C	#	#	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Special purpose land uses	Brisbane River flood planning area sub-category						Creek/waterway flood planning area sub-category					Overland flow flood planning area sub-category
	5	4	3	2B	2A	1	5	4	3	2	1	
Air service	C	#	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Cemetery	C	C	C	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Crematorium	C	#	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Detention facility	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	C
Emergency services	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#
Funeral parlour	C	#	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Landing	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	#	C
Major electricity infrastructure	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#

Port service	C	C	C	#	#	#	C	C	C	C	#	C
Substation	C	#	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	#
Telecommunications facility	C	#	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	#
Utility installation	C	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#
Industry land uses	Brisbane River flood planning area sub-category						Creek/waterway flood planning area sub-category				Overland flow flood planning area sub-category	
	5	4	3	2B	2A	1	5	4	3	2	1	
Extractive industry	C	C	C	#	#	#	C	C	C	#	#	C
High impact industry	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Intensive animal industry	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Intensive horticulture	C	C	C	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Low impact industry	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Marine industry	C	C	C	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Medium impact industry	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Research and technology industry	C	#	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Rural industry	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	#	#	C

Service industry	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	C	#	#	#	C
Service station	C	#	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Special industries	C	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	C
Transport depot	C	#	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C
Warehouse	C	C	#	#	#	#	C	#	#	#	#	C

Note—Caretaker's accommodation and home-based business are considered ancillary to the dominant land use.

Table 8.2.11.3.D—Flood planning categories for development types

BCA building classification ⁽¹⁾	Development types and design levels, assigned design floor or pavement levels	Category – refer to Table 8.2.11.3.L for flood planning levels
Class 1–4	Habitable room ⁽²⁾	Category A
	Non-habitable room including patio and courtyard	Category B
	Non-habitable part of a Class 2 or Class 3 building excluding the essential services ⁽²⁾ control room	Category B Risk management approach to Brisbane River flooding is permitted (refer to Flood planning scheme policy)
	Parking located in the building undercroft of a multiple dwelling	Category C
	Carport ⁽⁴⁾ , unroofed car park; vehicular manoeuvring area	Category D
	Essential electrical services ⁽²⁾ of a Class 2 or Class 3 building only	Category A ⁽⁶⁾
	Basement parking entry ⁽³⁾	Category C + 300mm
Class 5, Class 6, or Class 8	Building floor level	Category C Risk management approach to Brisbane River flooding is permitted (refer to Flood planning scheme policy)
	Garage or car park located in the building undercroft ⁽³⁾	Category C

	Carport ⁽⁴⁾ or unroofed car park	Category D
	Vehicular access and manoeuvring areas	Category D
	Basement parking entry ⁽³⁾	Category C
	Essential electrical services ⁽²⁾	Class 8 – Category C ⁽⁶⁾ Class 5 & 6 – Category A ⁽⁶⁾
Class 7a	Refer to the relevant building class specified in this table	
Class 7b	Building floor level	Category C Risk management approach to Brisbane River flooding is permitted (refer to Flood planning scheme policy)
	Vehicular access and manoeuvring area	Category D
	Essential electrical services ⁽²⁾	Category C
Class 9	Building floor level	Category A
	Building floor level for habitable rooms in Class 9a or 9c where for a residential care facility	0.2% AEP flood
	Building floor level for habitable rooms in Class 9b where involving children, such as a childcare centre	0.2% AEP flood
	Garage or car park located in the building undercroft ⁽³⁾	Category C
	Carport ⁽⁵⁾ or unroofed car park	Category D
	Vehicular access and manoeuvring areas	Category D
	Essential electrical services ⁽²⁾	Category A
Class 10a	Car parking facility	Refer to the relevant building class specified in this table
	Shed ⁽⁵⁾ or the like	Category D

Class 10b	Swimming pool	Category E
	Associated mechanical and electrical pool equipment	Category C
	Other structures	Flood planning levels do not apply

Notes—

(1) Refer to the Building Code of Australia for definitions of building classifications.

(2) Essential electrical services include any area or room used for fire control panel, telephone PABX, sensitive substation equipment including transformers, low voltage switch gear, high voltage switch gear, battery chargers, protection control and communication equipment, low voltage cables, high voltage cables, and lift or pump controls.

(3) Basement car parks must be suitably waterproofed and all air vents, air-conditioning ducts, pedestrian access and entry and exit ramps into the basement must comply with the applicable flood planning levels in this table.

(4) A shelter for a motor vehicle, which has a roof and one or more open sides, and which can be built against the side of a building.

(5) A slight or rough structure built for shelter and storage; or a large strongly built structure, often open at the sides or end.

(6) Where essential electrical services are proposed in a basement below the specified flood planning level, the flood immunity of all air vents, air-conditioning ducts, pedestrian access, lift shafts and entry/exit ramps at the basement entrance and any other openings into that basement must conform with the flood planning levels for Category A for Residential development, and the relevant basement entry level of all other uses. To ensure flood immunity, basements require a waterproof basement design to prevent flood waters entering the basement.

- A flood event with an AEP of 2% is the equivalent of a 50 year ARI flood event.
- A flood event with an AEP of 0.2% is the equivalent of a 500 year ARI flood event.
- Where a building has a combination of uses that includes a component of classes 2, 3 or 9, the essential services for that building shall comply with the requirements of the building class with the greatest flood planning level requirement.
- Use classes for residential development also include basement storage.

Table 8.2.11.3.E— Building undercroft clearances

Flooding source	Minimum clearance requirement ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾
Overland flow— Hydraulic Hazard (DV <0.6 m ² /s and depth <600mm in 2% AEP flood event)	Lowest floor level is to be 1.5m ⁽²⁾ above the highest ground elevation in undercroft area
Overland flow— Hydraulic Hazard (DV >0.6 m ² /s or depth >600mm in 2% AEP flood event)	Lowest floor level is to be 2.5m ⁽²⁾ above the highest ground elevation in undercroft area
Creek/waterway (Flood planning area 1, 2 or 3 sub-categories)	Lowest floor level is to be 2.5m ⁽²⁾ above the highest ground elevation in undercroft area
Creek/waterway (Flood planning area 4 sub-category)	Lowest floor level is to be 1.5m ⁽²⁾ above the highest ground elevation in undercroft area

Notes—

⁽¹⁾ The minimum undercroft only relates to the minimum clearance requirements from ground level to the finished floor level and not minimum flood planning levels. Where the flood planning level requirement with freeboard results in a higher finished floor level that higher level needs to be adopted.

⁽²⁾ Refer to the Flood planning scheme policy for explanatory material regarding clearances and considerations.

⁽³⁾ The minimum undercroft clearance only applies to the area of undercroft above the relevant flood extent or flood planning area sub-category.

Table 8.2.11.3.F—Flood planning levels for a new road

Flooding source ⁽¹⁾	Minimum design levels at the crown of the road (m AHD) ⁽²⁾	
	Residential development	Industrial or commercial development
Brisbane River ⁽³⁾	Defined flood level	5% AEP flood level
Creek/waterway	1% AEP flood level	2% AEP flood level
Overland flow	2% AEP flood level	2% AEP flood level

Notes—

⁽¹⁾ Where the road is subject to more than one flooding source, the minimum flood planning level is the highest level determined from these sources.

⁽²⁾ Where flood levels are not available from Council's FloodWise Property Report, such as for overland flow flooding, a suitably qualified Registered Professional Engineer Queensland with expertise in undertaking flood studies is required to estimate the relevant flood level.

⁽³⁾ A risk management approach determining flood planning levels of roads for Brisbane River flooding can be applied as an alternative to Table 8.2.11.3.F. Typically such roads would have a flood immunity no worse than the surrounding roads that support a similar land use, otherwise a Flood Risk Assessment which complies with the relevant requirements of the Flood planning scheme policy is provided.

Table 8.2.11.3.G—Flood planning levels for essential community infrastructure

Type of essential community infrastructure	Minimum design levels
Emergency services	0.2% AEP flood
Emergency services, where for an emergency shelter	0.5% AEP flood
Emergency services, where for police facilities	0.5% AEP flood
Hospital and health care service where associated with a hospital	0.2% AEP flood
Community facility where involving storage of valuable records or items of historic or cultural significance (e.g. galleries and libraries)	0.5% AEP flood

State-controlled roads Major or minor electricity infrastructure not otherwise listed in this table Utility installation where for rail transport services Air service Telecommunications facility	No specific recommended level but development proponents should ensure that the infrastructure is optimally located and designed to achieve suitable levels of service, having regard to the processes and policies of the administering government agency.
Power stations (as defined in the <i>Electricity Act 1994</i>) or renewable energy facility.	0.2% AEP flood
Major electricity infrastructure where a major switch yard	0.2% AEP flood
Substations	0.5% AEP flood
Utility installation where for a sewage treatment plant	Defined flood event
Utility installation where for a water treatment plant	0.5% AEP flood

Note—A flood event with an AEP of 0.2% is the equivalent of a 500 year ARI flood event.

Note—A flood event with an AEP of 0.5% is the equivalent of a 200 year ARI flood event.

Table 8.2.11.3.H—Table of processes requiring additional assessment in a flood planning area

Process
(1) Oil refining or processing
(2) Producing, refining or processing gas or fuel gas
(3) Power station, including the activity of generating electricity by using fuel
(4) Producing, quenching, cutting, crushing or grading coke
(5) Waste incinerator, including thermal treatment of waste
(6) Pulp or paper manufacturing
(7) Tannery or works for curing animal skins, hides or finishing leather
(8) Textile manufacturing, including carpet manufacturing, wool scouring or carbonising, cotton milling, or textile bleaching, dyeing or finishing
(9) Rendering plant, including meat processing

(10) Manufacturing chemicals, poisons and explosives
(11) Manufacturing fertilisers involving ammonia
(12) Manufacturing polyvinyl chloride plastic
(13) Major hazard facilities for the storage and handling of dangerous goods
(14) Storage of hazardous chemicals in quantities that would exceed the hazardous chemicals flood hazard threshold set out in Table 8.2.11.3.M
(15) Manufacturing medium-density fibreboard, chipboard, particle board, plywood, laminated board or wood veneer products
(16) Manufacturing or processing plaster
(17) Enamelling workshop
(18) Galvanising works
(19) Anodising or electroplating workshop
(20) Powder coating workshop
(21) Treating timber for preservation using chemicals including copper, chromium, arsenic, borax and creosote
(22) Manufacturing soil conditioners by receiving, blending, storing, processing, drying or composting organic material or organic waste, including animal manures, sewage, septic sludges and domestic waste
(23) Manufacturing tyres, asbestos products, asphalt, cement, glass or glass fibre, mineral wool or ceramic fibre
(24) Abattoir, including meat processing
(25) Recycling chemicals, oils or solvents
(26) Waste disposal activity (other than waste incinerator), including waste transfer station operation
(27) Recycling, storing or reprocessing regulated waste, including regulated waste treatment
(28) Manufacturing batteries and battery recycling
(29) Drum and container reconditioning

(30) Water treatment
(31) Sewage treatment

Table 8.2.11.3.I—Suitability of reconfiguring a lot within a flood planning area

C – Reconfiguring a lot is suitable within a flood planning area

– Flood risk assessment in accordance with the requirements of the Flood planning scheme policy is required to demonstrate the mitigation of risk from flood hazard

Flood planning area	Creek/waterway flood planning area sub-categories			Brisbane River flood planning area sub-categories		
	Residential	Industrial	Other	Residential	Industrial	Other
1	#	#	#	#	#	#
2/2a;2b	#	#	#	#	C	#
3	#	#	#	#	C	C
4	C	C	C	C	C	C
5	C	C	C	C	C	C

Notes—

- A flood risk assessment is required for residential reconfiguring a lot development where creating more than two new lots in the overland flow flood planning area sub-category.
- Additional requirements apply for the Brisbane River flood planning area sub-category if the residential flood level is greater than 12.8m AHD.
- Minimum site levels, requirements for no adverse off site impacts and other provisions in the planning scheme still apply.

Table 8.2.11.3.J—Flood planning levels for reconfiguring a lot

Flooding source ⁽¹⁾	Minimum lot levels (m AHD) ⁽²⁾		
	Residential (creating 6 or less lots with no new road)	Residential (creating more than 6 lots), or a new road	Other than residential
Brisbane River	2% AEP flood level + 300mm	RFL + 0.3m	1% AEP flood level

Creek/waterway	Minimum 300m ² area at the 1% AEP flood level + 300mm ⁽³⁾	1% AEP flood level + 300mm	2% AEP flood level
Overland flow	Minimum 300m ² area at the 2% AEP flood level + 300mm ⁽³⁾	2% AEP flood level + 300mm	2% AEP flood level

Notes—

⁽¹⁾ Where the site is subject to more than one flooding source, the minimum flood planning level is the highest level determined from these sources.

⁽²⁾ Where flood levels are not available from Council's FloodWise Property Report such as for overland flow flooding, a suitably qualified Registered Professional Engineer Queensland with expertise in undertaking flood studies is required to estimate the relevant flood level.

⁽³⁾ The 300m² area is considered suitable for siting a dwelling house with open space area at or above the nominated flood planning level.

Table 8.2.11.3.K—Flood planning levels for existing road providing access to or fronting a development

Flooding source ⁽¹⁾	Minimum design levels at the crown of the road (m AHD) ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾		
	Local road	Neighbourhood road	District road, suburban road, arterial road
Brisbane River	5% AEP flood level	2% AEP flood level	2% AEP flood level
Creek/waterway	5% AEP flood level	2% AEP flood level	2% AEP flood level
Overland flow	5% AEP flood level	5% AEP flood level	5% AEP flood level

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⁽¹⁾ Where the site is subject to more than one flooding source, the minimum flood planning level is the highest level determined from these sources.

⁽²⁾ Where flood levels are not available from Council's FloodWise Property Report such as overland flow flooding a suitably qualified Registered Professional Engineer in Queensland with expertise in undertaking flood studies is required to estimate the relevant flood level. The Flood planning scheme policy sets out the requirements for a flood risk assessment process.

⁽³⁾ The design standard for industry access is the 5% AEP flood level for all flooding sources.

Table 8.2.11.3.L—Categories of flood planning levels

Flooding source ⁽¹⁾	Minimum design floor or pavement levels (m AHD) ⁽²⁾ (refer to Table 8.2.11.3.D for assignment of these categories)				
	Category A	Category B	Category C	Category D	Category E

Brisbane River	RFL + 500mm	RFL + 300mm	DFL	5% AEP flood level	5% AEP flood level
Creek/ waterway	1% AEP flood level + 500mm	1% AEP flood level + 300mm	1% AEP flood level	1% AEP flood level	5% AEP flood level
Overland flow	2% AEP flood level + 500mm	2% AEP flood level + 300mm	2% AEP flood level	2% AEP flood level	5% AEP flood level

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(1) Where the site is subject to more than one type of flooding that is overland flow flooding, creek or waterway flooding or river flooding, the minimum flood immunity level is the highest level determined from these sources.

(2) Where flood levels are not available from Council's FloodWise Property Report such as overland flow flooding, the applicant will need to engage a suitably qualified Registered Professional Engineer Queensland with expertise in undertaking flood studies required to estimate the relevant flood level. The Flood planning scheme policy sets out the requirements for a flood risk assessment process.

- A flood event with an AEP of 1% is the equivalent of a 100 year ARI flood event.
- A flood event with an AEP of 2% is the equivalent of a 50 year ARI flood event.
- A flood event with an AEP of 5% is the equivalent of a 20 year ARI flood event.

Table 8.2.11.3.M—Hazardous chemicals flood hazard threshold

Hazardous chemicals flood hazard threshold means any of the following:
A hazardous chemical listed in schedule 11 of the Work Health and Safety Regulation 2011 in a quantity that exceeds a threshold quantity stated in column 5 of schedule 11
A chemical classified as hazardous to the aquatic environment under the Australian Dangerous Goods Code in the Acute I or Chronic I category that exceeds 2500 litres or kilograms
A chemical classified as hazardous to the aquatic environment under the Australian Dangerous Goods Code in the Chronic II category that exceeds 10,000 litres or kilograms
A chemical classified as hazardous to the aquatic environment under the Australian Dangerous Goods Code and assigned to Packing Group III that exceeds 10,000 litres or kilograms
A chemical classified as hazardous to the aquatic environment under the Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals that exceeds 10,000 litres or kilograms

8.2.15 Potential and actual acid sulfate soils overlay code

8.2.15.1 Application

1. This code applies to assessing development in the Potential and actual acid sulfate soils overlay, if:
 - a. assessable development where this code is an applicable code identified in the assessment benchmarks column of a table of assessment for an overlay (section 5.10); or
 - b. impact assessable development.

Note—Where the natural ground level is greater than 20m AHD, the Potential and actual acid sulfate soils overlay code does not apply.

Editor's note—Where the Potential and actual acid sulfate soils overlay code does not apply, it is recommended that acid sulfate soil be appropriately managed in other circumstances as well. For example, installing a piped drain may not disturb much soil but could result in a degraded asset.

2. Land in the Potential and actual acid sulfate soils overlay is identified on the Potential and actual acid sulfate soils overlay map and is included in the following sub-categories:
 - a. Potential and actual acid sulfate soils sub-category;
 - b. Land at or below 5m AHD sub-category;
 - c. Land above 5m AHD and below 20m AHD sub-category.
3. When using this code, reference should be made to section 1.5 and section 5.3.3.

Note—The following purpose, overall outcomes, performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes comprise the assessment benchmarks of this code.

Note—Where this code includes performance outcomes or acceptable outcomes that relate to acid sulfate soils, an acid sulfate soil investigation report, or an acid sulfate soil management plan, guidance is provided in the Potential and actual acid sulfate soils planning scheme policy.

8.2.15.2 Purpose

1. The purpose of the Potential and actual acid sulfate soils overlay code is to:
 - a. Implement the policy direction in the Strategic framework, in particular Theme 2: Brisbane's outstanding lifestyle and Element 2.3 — Brisbane's healthy and safe communities.
 - b. Provide for the assessment of the suitability of development in the Potential and actual acid sulfate soils overlay.
2. The purpose of the code will be achieved through the following overall outcomes:
 - a. Development ensures that the release of an acid and associated metal contaminant is avoided by not disturbing acid sulfate soils when excavating, removing soil or extracting groundwater or filling land.
 - b. Development ensures that disturbed acid sulfate soils or drainage waters are treated and, if required, ongoing management practices are adopted that minimise the potential for environmental harm from acid sulfate soil and protect corrodible assets from acid sulfate soil.
 - c. Development is located, designed and constructed to avoid the mobilisation and release of iron compounds for coastal algal blooms.

8.2.15.3 Performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes

Table 8.2.15.3—Performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	Comments
PO1 Development protects the environmental values and ecological health of receiving waters and does not subject assets to accelerated corrosion.	AO1 Development ensures that: a. no potential or actual acid sulfate soils are disturbed; or Note—This can be demonstrated through the submission of an acid sulfate soil investigation report with reference to the Potential and actual acid sulfate soils planning scheme policy. b. the disturbance impacts in an area that hosts potential acid sulfate soils are appropriately managed, if less than 500m³ of soil is disturbed and the watertable is not affected; or Note—This can be demonstrated through the submission of an acid sulfate soil investigation report and a preliminary acid sulfate soil management plan, with reference to the Potential and actual acid sulfate soils planning scheme policy. c. impacts are appropriately managed if 500m³ or more of soil is disturbed or the watertable in an area that hosts potential or actual acid sulfate soils is affected. Note—This can be demonstrated through the submission of an acid sulfate soil investigation report and a full acid sulfate soil management plan, with reference to the Potential and actual acid sulfate soils planning scheme policy using levels of testing commensurate with the level of risk. If the investigation demonstrates that an acid sulfate soil management plan is not required, only an investigation report is required.	There is a total cut of approximately 5000m ³ for the proposed development, therefore this is to be a performance solution. Refer to EDGE Consulting Engineers Civil Engineering Report

9.4.3 Filling and excavation code

9.4.3.1 Application

1. This code applies to assessing:
 - a. accepted development subject to compliance with identified requirements, where acceptable outcomes of this code are identified requirements in a table of assessment for an overlay (section 5.10); or
 - b. operational work for filling or excavation which is assessable development if this code is an applicable code identified in the assessment benchmarks column of a table of assessment for operational work (section 5.8) or an overlay (section 5.10); or
 - c. a material change of use or reconfiguring a lot if:
 - i. assessable development where this code is identified as a prescribed secondary code in the assessment benchmarks column of a table of assessment for material change of use (section 5.5) or reconfiguring a lot (section 5.6); or
 - ii. impact assessable development, to the extent relevant.

Note—The following purpose, overall outcomes, performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes comprise the assessment benchmarks of this code.

Note—This code does not apply to building work as defined in the Act.

Note—A development application involving a rock anchor within an adjoining site is submitted with proof of consent from an adjoining land and building owner.

Editor's note—Guidance on managing the spread of invasive species in filling or excavation activities is provided in Minimising Pest Spread Advisory Guidelines prepared for the Petroleum industry.

Editor's note—Where filling or excavation is conducted on land previously occupied by a notifiable activity or on land listed on the Environmental Management Register or the Contaminated Land Register, the relevant Queensland Government department should be contacted for advice and guidelines.

2. When using this code, reference should be made to section 1.5 and section 5.3.3.

Note—Where this code includes performance outcomes or acceptable outcomes that relate to:

- air quality assessment, guidance is provided in the Air quality planning scheme policy;
- ecological assessment, koala habitat or development design, guidance is provided in the Biodiversity areas planning scheme policy;
- retaining wall construction, guidance is provided in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy;
- landscape design, guidance is provided in the Landscape design guidelines for water conservation planning scheme policy;
- noise and dust impacts during construction and/or demolition, guidance is provided in the Management plans planning scheme policy;
- noise impact assessment, guidance is provided in the Noise impact assessment planning scheme policy;
- the selection of planting species, guidance is provided in the Planting species planning scheme policy;
- significant vegetation, guidance is provided in the Vegetation planning scheme policy.

Editor's note—For a proposal to be accepted development, subject to compliance with identified requirements, it must meet all the identified acceptable outcomes of this code and any other applicable code. Where it does not meet all identified acceptable outcomes, the proposal becomes assessable development and a development application is required. Where a development application is triggered, only the specific acceptable outcome that the proposal fails to meet needs to be assessed against the corresponding acceptable outcome or performance outcome and relevant overall outcomes. Other identified acceptable outcomes that are met are not assessed as part of the development application.

9.4.3.2 Purpose

1. The purpose of the Filling and excavation code is to assess the suitability of development for filling or excavation.
2. The purpose of the code will be achieved through the following overall outcomes:
 - a. filling or excavation does not adversely affect the visual character and amenity of the site or the surrounding area and provides access for maintenance to any structure as a result of filling or excavation.
 - b. filling or excavation does not adversely impact significant vegetation, water quality or drainage of upstream, downstream and adjoining land.
 - c. filling or excavation effectively manages the impacts associated with the activity.
 - d. filling or excavation and any retaining structure is designed and constructed to be fit for purpose and to protect services and utilities.

9.4.3.3 Performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes

Table 9.4.3.3.A—Performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	Comments
PO1 Development for filling or excavation minimises visual impacts from retaining walls and earthworks.	AO1 Development ensures that the total height of any cut and fill, whether or not retained, does not exceed: a. 2.5m in a zone in the Industry zones category; b. 1m in all other zones, or if adjoining a sensitive zone.	N/A
PO2 Development of a retaining wall proposed as a result of filling or excavation: a. is designed and constructed to be fit for purpose; b. does not impact adversely on significant vegetation; c. is capable of easy maintenance. Editor's note—A retaining wall also needs to comply with the Building Regulation and embankment gradients will need to comply with the Building Regulation. Note—Guidance on the protection of native vegetation is included in the Biodiversity areas planning scheme policy.	AO2.1 Development of a retaining structure, including footings, surface drainage and subsoil drainage: a. is wholly contained within the site; b. if the total height to be retained is greater than 1m, then: i. the retaining wall at the property boundary is no greater than 1m above the ground level; ii. all further terracing from the 1m high boundary retaining wall is 1 vertical unit:1 horizontal unit; iii. the distance between each successive retaining wall (back of lower wall to face of	N/A

	higher wall) is no less than 1m horizontally to incorporate planting areas. AO2.2 Development of a retaining wall over 1m in height protects significant vegetation on the site and on adjoining land and is designed and constructed in accordance with the structures standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy and certified by a Registered Professional Engineer Queensland. AO2.3 Development provides a retaining wall finish that presents to adjoining land that is maintenance free if the setback is less than 750mm from the boundary. AO2.4 Development for filling only uses clean fill that does not include any construction rubble, debris, weed seed or viable parts of plant species listed as an undesirable plant species in the Planting species planning scheme policy.	
PO3 Development ensures that a rock anchor is designed and constructed to be fit for purpose.	AO3 Development ensures that a rock anchor: - is constructed in accordance with the standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy; - where it extends beyond the property boundary, is supported by a letter of consent from the adjoining land and building owners.	TBC at Detailed Design
PO4 Development protects all services and public utilities.	AO4 Development protects services and public utilities and ensures that any alteration or relocation of services or	TBC at Detailed Design

	public utilities meets the standard design specifications of the responsible service authorities.	
PO5 Development provides surface and sub-surface drainage to prevent water seepage, concentration of run-off or ponding of stormwater on adjacent land.	A05 Development ensures all flows and subsoil drainage are directed to a lawful point of discharge of a surface water diversion drain, including to the top or toe of a retaining wall in accordance with the stormwater drainage section of the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	TBC at Detailed Design
PO6 Development ensures that the design and construction of all open drainage works is undertaken in accordance with natural channel design principles, being the development of a stormwater conveyance system for major flows, by using a vegetated open channel or drain that approximates the features and functions of a natural waterway to enhance or improve riparian values of those stormwater conveyance systems. Editor's note—Guidance on natural channel design principles can be found in the Council's publication Natural channel design guidelines.	A06 Filling or excavation does not involve the construction of open drainage.	N/A. Development does not propose open drainage.
PO7 Development for filling or excavation: a. does not degrade water quality or adversely affect environmental values in receiving waters; b. ensures site sediment and erosion control standards are best practice.	A07.1 Development for filling or excavation provides water quality treatment that complies with the stormwater drainage section of the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy. A07.2 Development provides erosion and sediment control standards that are in accordance with the stormwater drainage section of the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	TBC at Detailed Design

PO8 Development for filling or excavation is conducted such that adverse impacts at a sensitive use due to noise and dust are prevented or minimised. Note—A noise and dust impact management plan prepared in accordance with the Management plans planning scheme policy can assist in demonstrating achievement of this performance outcome.	AO8.1 Development ensures that no dust emissions extend beyond the boundary of the site, including dust from construction vehicles entering and leaving the site. AO8.2 Development for filling or excavation activity only occurs between the hours of 6:30am and 6:30pm Monday to Saturday, excluding public holidays.	TBC at Detailed Design
PO9 Development ensures that vibration generated by the filling or excavation operation does not exceed the vibration criteria in Table 9.4.3.3.B, Table 9.4.3.3.C, Table 9.4.3.3.D and Table 9.4.3.3.E. Note—A noise management report prepared in accordance with the Noise impact assessment planning scheme policy can assist in demonstrating achievement of this performance outcome.	AO9 Development involving filling or excavation does not cause a ground-borne vibration beyond the boundary of the site.	TBC at Detailed Design
PO10 Development ensures that heavy trucks hauling material to and from the site do not affect the amenity of established areas and limits environmental nuisance impact on adjacent land.	AO10 Development ensures that heavy trucks hauling material to and from the site: a. occur for a maximum of 3 weeks; b. use a major road to access the site; c. only use a minor road for the shortest-most-direct route that has the least amount of environmental nuisance if there is no major road alternative.	TBC at Detailed Design
PO11 Development for filling or excavation protects the environment and community health and wellbeing from exposure to contaminated land and contaminated material.	AO11 Development does not involve: a. excavation on land previously occupied by a notifiable activity or on land listed on the Environmental Management Register or the Contaminated Land Register; b. filling with material containing a contaminant.	TBC at Detailed Design

PO12 Development provides for: a. landscaping for water conservation purposes; b. water sensitive urban design measures which are employed within the landscape design to maximise stormwater use and to reduce any adverse impacts on the landscape; c. stormwater harvesting to be maximised and any adverse impacts of stormwater minimised.	AO12.1 Development provides landscaping which is designed using the standards in the Landscape design guidelines for water conservation planning scheme policy.	TBC at Detailed Design
	AO12.2 Development ensures that the design and requirements for irrigation are in compliance with the standards in the Landscape design guidelines for water conservation planning scheme policy.	
	AO12.3 Development provides areas of pavement, turf and mulched garden beds which are drained. Note—This may be achieved through the provision and/or treatment of swales, spoon drains, field gullies, sub-surface drainage and stormwater connections.	
PO13 Development ensures cutting and filling for the development of canals or artificial waterways avoids adverse impacts on coastal resources and processes.	AO13 Development does not involve the creation of canals or artificial waterways.	N/A. Development does not propose canals or artificial waterways.

Table 9.4.3.3.B— Recommended intermittent vibration levels for cosmetic damage

Type of building	Peak particle velocity (mm/s)		
Reinforced or framed structures; industrial and heavy commercial buildings	50mm/s at 4Hz and above		
Unreinforced or light-framed structures; residential or light-commercial type buildings	Below 4Hz	4Hz to 15Hz	15Hz and above
	0.6mm/s	15mm/s at 4Hz increasing to 20mm/s at 15Hz	20mm/s at 15Hz increasing to

				50mm/s at 40Hz and above
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Table 9.4.3.3.C— Recommended blasting vibration levels for human comfort

Type of building	Type of blasting operations	Peak component particle velocity (mm/s)
Residences, educational establishments and places of worship	Operation blasting longer than 12 months or more than 20 blasts	5mm/s for 95% blasts per year 10mm/s maximum unless agreement is reached with the occupier that a higher limit may apply
Residences, educational establishments and places of worship	Operations lasting for less than 12 months or less than 20 blasts	10mm/s maximum unless agreement is reached with the occupier that a higher limit may apply
Industry or commercial premises	All blasting	25 mm/s maximum unless agreement is reached with the occupier that a higher limit may apply. For sites containing equipment sensitive to vibration, the vibration should be kept below manufacturer's specifications or levels that do not adversely affect the equipment operation.

Table 9.4.3.3.D— Recommended levels for continuous and impulsive vibration acceleration (m/s²) 1–80Hz for human comfort

Location	Assessment period ⁽¹⁾	Preferred values ⁽³⁾		Maximum values ⁽³⁾	
Continuous vibration		z-axis	x and y axes	z-axis	x and y axes
Critical areas ⁽²⁾	Day or night	0.005 m/s ²	0.0036 m/s ²	0.01 m/s ²	0.0072 m/s ²
Residences	Day	0.01 m/s ²	0.0071 m/s ²	0.02 m/s ²	0.014 m/s ²
-	Night	0.007 m/s ²	0.005 m/s ²	0.014 m/s ²	0.01 m/s ²

Offices, educational establishments and places of worship	Day or night	0.02 m/s ²	0.014 m/s ²	0.04 m/s ²	0.028 m/s ²
Workshops	Day or night	0.04 m/s ²	0.029 m/s ²	0.08 m/s ²	0.058 m/s ²
Impulsive vibration					
Critical areas	Day or night	0.005 m/s ²	0.0036 m/s ²	0.01 m/s ²	0.0072 m/s ²
Residences	Day	0.3 m/s ²	0.21 m/s ²	0.6 m/s ²	0.42 m/s ²
-	Night	0.1 m/s ²	0.071 m/s ²	0.2 m/s ²	0.14 m/s ²
Offices, educational establishments and places of worship	Day or night	0.64 m/s ²	0.46 m/s ²	1.28 m/s ²	0.92 m/s ²
Workshops	Day or night	0.64 m/s ²	0.46 m/s ²	1.28 m/s ²	0.92 m/s ²

Note—

(1) Day is 7am to 10pm and night is 10pm to 7am.

(2) Examples include hospital operating theatres and precision laboratories where sensitive operations are occurring.

(3) Situations exist where vibration above the preferred values can be acceptable, particularly for temporary or short-term events. Further guidance is given in the Noise impact assessment planning scheme policy.

Table 9.4.3.3.E— Recommended vibration dose values for intermittent vibration (m/s^{1.75}) for human comfort

Location	Daytime ⁽¹⁾		Night time ⁽¹⁾	
	Preferred value	Maximum value	Preferred value ⁽³⁾	Maximum value ⁽³⁾
Critical areas ⁽²⁾	0.1 m/s ^{1.75}	0.2 m/s ^{1.75}	0.1 m/s ^{1.75}	0.2 m/s ^{1.75}
Residences	0.2 m/s ^{1.75}	0.4 m/s ^{1.75}	0.13 m/s ^{1.75}	0.26 m/s ^{1.75}
Offices, educational establishments and places of worship	0.4 m/s ^{1.75}	0.8 m/s ^{1.75}	0.4 m/s ^{1.75}	0.8 m/s ^{1.75}

Workshops	0.8 m/s ^{1.75}	1.6 m/s ^{1.75}	0.8 m/s ^{1.75}	1.6 m/s ^{1.75}
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Note—

⁽¹⁾ Day is 7am to 10pm and night is 10pm to 7am.

⁽²⁾ Examples include hospital operating theatres and precision laboratories where sensitive operations are occurring.

⁽³⁾ Situations exist where vibration above the preferred values can be acceptable, particularly for temporary or short-term events. Further guidance is given in the Noise impact assessment planning scheme policy.

9.4.4 Infrastructure design code

9.4.4.1 Application

1. This code applies to assessing a material change of use, reconfiguring a lot or building work if:
 - a. assessable development where this code is identified as a prescribed secondary code in the assessment benchmarks column of a table of assessment for a material change of use (section 5.5), reconfiguring a lot (section 5.6), operational work (section 5.8), or an overlay (section 5.10); or
 - b. impact assessable development, to the extent relevant.
2. When using this code, reference should be made to section 1.5 and section 5.3.3.

Note—The following purpose, overall outcomes, performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes comprise the assessment benchmarks of this code.

Note—Where this code includes performance outcomes or acceptable outcomes that relate to:

- ecological assessment, koala habitat or development design, guidance is provided in the Biodiversity areas planning scheme policy;
- infrastructure design and construction works, guidance is provided in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy;
- noise and dust impacts during construction and/or demolition, guidance is provided in the Management plans planning scheme policy;
- noise impact assessment, guidance is provided in the Noise impact assessment planning scheme policy;
- refuse and recycling, guidance is provided in the Refuse planning scheme policy;
- parking or servicing management during construction, guidance is provided in the Transport, access, parking and servicing planning scheme policy.

9.4.4.2 Purpose

1. The purpose of the Infrastructure design code is to assess the suitability of infrastructure for development.
2. The purpose of the code will be achieved through the following overall outcomes:
 - a. Development is provided with a safe, connected and efficient transport network for all modes that has a minimal whole-of-life cost.
 - b. Development provides for public utilities and services to the standards acceptable to the Council and the reasonable expectations of service providers.
 - c. Development involving infrastructure which is intended to become a Council asset is safe, aesthetically pleasing, functional, fit for purpose, durable, minimises environmental impacts and has minimal whole-of-life cost.
 - d. Development provides for a public space to be safe and inviting, allowing high levels of pedestrian activity.
 - e. Development ensures that the community and environment are not unreasonably disrupted or impacted by construction or demolition for the development.
 - f. Development involving infrastructure is designed with consideration of, and to integrate with, other related and interfacing infrastructure components.
 - g. Development accessed by common private title is provided with appropriate fire hydrant infrastructure and has unimpeded access for refuse vehicles and for emergency service vehicles to protect people, property and the environment.
 - h. Development ensures major electricity infrastructure and bulk water supply infrastructure identified on the State Planning Policy Interactive Mapping System is not compromised.
 - i. Development for major electricity infrastructure and bulk water supply infrastructure identified on the State Planning Policy Interactive Mapping System avoids or otherwise minimises adverse impacts on surrounding land uses.

9.4.4.3 Performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes

Table 9.4.4.3.A—Performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	Comments
PO1 Development provides roads, pavement, edging and landscaping which: a. are designed and constructed in accordance with the road hierarchy; b. provide for safe travel for pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles; c. provide access to properties for all modes; d. provide utilities; e. provide high levels of aesthetics and amenity, improved liveability and future growth; f. provide for the amelioration of noise and other pollution; g. provide a high-quality streetscape; h. provide a low-maintenance asset with a minimal whole-of-life cost. Note—This can be demonstrated in an engineering report prepared and certified by a Registered Professional Engineer Queensland in accordance with the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	AO1 Development provides roads and associated pavement, edging and landscaping which are designed and constructed in compliance with the road corridor design standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	N/A
PO2 Development provides road pavement surfaces which: a. are well designed and constructed; b. durable enough to carry the wheel loads of the intended types and numbers of travelling and parked vehicles; c. ensures the safe passage of vehicles, pedestrians and cyclists, the discharge of stormwater run-off and the preservation of all-weather access;	AO2 Development provides road pavement surfaces which are designed and constructed in compliance with the road corridor design standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	N/A

d. allows for reasonable travel comfort.		
PO3 Development provides a pavement edge which is designed and constructed to: a. control vehicle movements by delineating the carriageway for all users; b. provide for people with disabilities by allowing safe passage of wheelchairs and other mobility aids.	AO3 Development provides pavement edges which are designed and constructed in compliance with the road corridor design standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	N/A
PO4 Development provides verges which are designed and constructed to: a. provide safe access for pedestrians clear of obstructions and access areas for vehicles onto properties; b. provide a sufficient area for public utility services; c. be maintainable by the Council.	AO4 Development provides verges which are designed and constructed in compliance with the road corridor design and streetscape locality advice standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	TBC at Detailed Design
PO5 Development provides a lane or laneway identified on the Streetscape hierarchy overlay map or in a neighbourhood plan which: a. allows equitable access for all modes; b. is safe and secure; c. has 24-hour access; d. is a low-speed shared zone environment; e. has a high-quality streetscape.	AO5 Development provides a lane or laneway identified on the Streetscape hierarchy overlay map or in a neighbourhood plan which is embellished in compliance with the streetscape locality advice standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	N/A
PO6 Development of an existing premises provides at the frontage to the site, if not already provided, the following infrastructure to an appropriate urban standard: a. an effective, high-quality paved roadway; b. an effective, high-quality roadway kerb and channel;	AO6 Development of an existing premises provides at the frontage of the site, if not already existing, the following infrastructure to the standard that would have applied if the development involved new premises as stated in the road corridor design standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy:	TBC at Detailed Design

c. safe, high-quality vehicle crossings over channels and verges; d. safe, accessible, high-quality verges compatible and integrated with the surrounding environment; e. safe vehicle access to the site that enables ingress and egress in a forward gear; f. provision of and required alterations to public utilities; g. effective drainage; h. appropriate conduits to facilitate the provision of required street-lighting systems and traffic signals.	a. concrete kerb and channel; b. forming and grading to verges; c. crossings over channels and verges; d. a constructed bikeway; e. a constructed verge or reconstruction of any damaged verge; f. construction of the carriageway; g. payment of costs for required alterations to public utility mains, services or installations; h. construction of and required alterations to public utility mains, services or installations; i. drainage works; j. installation of electrical conduits.	
PO7 Development provides both cycle and walking routes which: a. are located, designed and constructed to their network classification (where applicable); b. provide safe and attractive travel routes for pedestrians and cyclists for commuter and recreational purposes; c. provide safe and comfortable access to properties for pedestrians and cyclists; d. incorporate water sensitive urban design into stormwater drainage; e. provide for utilities; f. provide for a high level of aesthetics and amenity, improved liveability and future growth; g. are a low-maintenance asset with a minimal whole-of-life cost; h. minimise the clearing of significant native vegetation. Note—This can be demonstrated in an engineering report prepared and certified by a Registered Professional Engineer Queensland in accordance with the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	AO7 Development provides cycle and walking routes which are located, designed and constructed in compliance with the road corridor design and off-road pathway design standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	TBC at Detailed Design

PO8 Development provides refuse and recycling collection, separation and storage facilities that are located and managed so that adverse impacts on building occupants, neighbouring properties and the public realm are minimised.	AO8.1 Development provides refuse and recycling collection and storage facilities in accordance with the Refuse planning scheme policy. AO8.2 Development ensures that refuse and recycling collection and storage location and design do not have any adverse impact including odour, noise or visual impacts on the amenity of land uses within or adjoining the development. Note—Refer to the Refuse planning scheme policy for further guidance.	TBC at Detailed Design
PO9 Development ensures that: a. land used for an urban purpose is serviced adequately with regard to water supply and waste disposal; b. the water supply meets the stated standard of service for the intended use and fire-fighting purposes.	AO9.1 Development ensures that the reticulated water and sewerage distribution system for all services is in place before the first use is commenced. AO9.2 Development provides the lot with reticulated water supply and sewerage to a standard acceptable to the distributor–retailer.	TBC at Detailed Design
PO10 Development provides public utilities and street lighting which are the best current or alternative technology and facilitate accessibility, easy maintenance, minimal whole-of-life costs, and minimal adverse environmental impacts.	AO10.1 Development provides public utilities and street lighting which are located and aligned to: a. avoid significant native vegetation and areas identified within the Biodiversity areas overlay map; b. minimise earthworks; c. avoid crossing waterways, waterway corridors and wetlands or if a crossing is unavoidable, tunnel-boring techniques are used to minimise disturbance, and a disturbed area is reinstated and restored on completion of the work. Note—Guidance on the restoration of habitat is included in the Biodiversity areas planning scheme policy. AO10.2	TBC at Detailed Design

	Development provides compatible public utility services and street-lighting services which are co-located in common trenching for underground services. AO10.3 Development provides public utilities and street lighting which are designed and constructed in compliance with the public utilities standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	
PO11 Development ensures that land used for urban purposes is serviced adequately with telecommunications and energy supply.	AO11 Development provides land with the following services to the standards of the approved supplier: a. electricity; b. telecommunications services; c. gas service where practicable.	TBC at Detailed Design
PO12 Development ensures that major public projects promote the provision of affordable, high-bandwidth telecommunications services throughout the city.	AO12 Development provides conduits which are provided in all major Council and government works projects to enable the future provision of fibre optic cabling, if: a. the additional expense is unlikely to be prohibitive; or b. further major work is unlikely or disruption would be a major concern, such as where there is a limited capacity road; or c. there is a clear gap in the telecommunications network; or d. there is a clear gap in the bandwidth available to the area. Editor's note—An accurate, digital 'as built' three-dimensional location plan is to be supplied for all infrastructure provided in a road.	TBC at Detailed Design
PO13 Development provides public art identified in a neighbourhood plan or park concept plan which:	AO13 Development provides public art identified in a neighbourhood plan or park concept plan which is sited	TBC at Detailed Design

a. is provided commensurate with the status and scale of the proposed development; b. is sited and designed: i. as an integrated part of the project design; ii. as conceptually relevant to the context of the location; iii. to reflect and respond to the cultural values of the community; iv. to promote local character in a planned and informed manner.	and designed in compliance with the public art standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	
PO14 Development provides signage of buildings and spaces which promote legibility to help users find their way.	AO14 Development provides public signage: a. at public transport interchanges and stops, key destinations, public spaces, pedestrian linkages and at entries to centre developments; b. which details the location of the key destinations, public spaces and pedestrian linkages in the vicinity, the services available within the development and where they are located. Editor's note—Signage is to be in accordance with Local Law Number 1 (Control of Advertisements Local Law).	TBC at Detailed Design
PO15 Development that provides community facilities which form part of the development is functional, safe, low maintenance, and fit for purpose.	AO15 Development that provides community facilities which form part of the development is designed in compliance with the community facilities standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	N/A
PO16 Development provides public toilets which: a. are required as part of a community facility or park; b. are located, designed and constructed to be: i. safe; ii. durable; iii. resistant to vandalism;	AO16 Development that provides public toilets is designed and constructed in compliance with the public toilets standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	N/A

iv. able to service expected demand; v. fit for purpose.		
PO17 Development provides bridges, tunnels, elevated structures and water access structures that are designed and constructed using proven methods, materials and technology to provide for: a. safe movement of intended users; b. an attractive appearance appropriate to the general surroundings and any adjacent structures; c. functionality and easy maintenance; d. minimal whole-of-life cost; e. longevity; f. current and future services. Note—All bridges and elevated and associated elements must be designed and certified by a Registered Professional Engineer Queensland in accordance with the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	AO17 Development that provides bridges, tunnels, elevated structures and water access structures is designed and constructed in compliance with the standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	N/A
PO18 Development provides culverts which are designed and constructed using proven methods, materials and technology to provide for: a. safety; b. an attractive appearance appropriate to the general surroundings; c. functionality and easy maintenance; d. minimal whole-of-life cost; e. longevity; f. future widening; g. current and future services; h. minimal adverse impacts, such as increase in water levels or flow velocities, and significant change of flood patterns.	AO18 Development that provides culverts is designed and constructed in compliance with the structures standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	N/A

Note—All culverts and associated elements are to be designed and certified by a Registered Professional Engineer Queensland in accordance with the applicable design standards.		
PO19 Development provides batters, retaining walls, and seawalls and river walls which are designed and constructed using proven methods, materials and technology to provide for: a. safety; b. an attractive appearance appropriate to the surrounding area; c. easy maintenance; d. minimal whole-of-life cost; e. longevity; f. minimal water seepage. Note—All retaining walls and associated elements are to be designed and certified by a Registered Professional Engineer Queensland in accordance with the applicable design standards.	AO19 Development that provides batters, retaining walls, seawalls and river walls is designed and constructed in compliance with the structures standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	N/A
If for development with a gross floor area greater than 1,000m²		
PO20 Development ensures that construction is managed so that use of public spaces and movement on pedestrian, cyclist and other traffic routes is not unreasonably disrupted and existing landscaping is adequately protected from short- and long-term impacts. Note—The preparation of a construction management plan can assist in demonstrating achievement of this performance outcome. Note—The Transport, access, parking and servicing planning scheme policy provides advice on the management of vehicle parking and deliveries during construction.	AO20 Development ensures that during construction: a. the ongoing use of adjoining and surrounding parks and public spaces, such as malls and outdoor dining, is not compromised; b. adjoining and surrounding landscaping is protected from damage; c. safe, legible, efficient and sufficient pedestrian, cyclist and vehicular accessibility and connectivity to the wider network are maintained.	TBC at Detailed Design
PO21 Development ensures that construction and demolition activities are guided by measures that prevent or minimise adverse impacts including sleep disturbance at	AO21.1 Development ensures that demolition and construction: a. only occur between 6:30am and 6:30pm Monday to Saturday, excluding public holidays;	TBC at Detailed Design

a sensitive use, due to noise and dust, including dust from construction vehicles entering and leaving the site. Note—A noise and dust impact management plan prepared in accordance with the Management plans planning scheme policy can assist in demonstrating achievement of this performance outcome.	b. do not occur over periods greater than 6 months. AO21.2 Development including construction and demolition does not release dust emissions beyond the boundary of the site. AO21.3 Development construction and demolition does not involve asbestos-containing materials.	
PO22 Development ensures that: a. construction and demolition do not result in damage to surrounding property as a result of vibration; b. vibration levels achieve the vibration criteria in Table 9.4.4.3.B, Table 9.4.4.3.C, Table 9.4.4.3.D and Table 9.4.4.3.E. Note—A vibration impact assessment report prepared in accordance with the Noise impact assessment planning scheme policy can assist in demonstrating achievement of this performance outcome.	AO22 Development ensures that the nature and scale of construction and demolition do not generate noticeable levels of vibration.	TBC at Detailed Design
If for a material change of use or reconfiguring a lot in an urban area (as defined in the Regulation) involving premises that is, or will be, accessed by common private title, where involving buildings, either attached or detached, that are not covered by other legislation mandating fire hydrants		
PO23 Development ensures that fire hydrants are: a. installed and located to enable fire services to access water safely, effectively and efficiently; b. suitably identified so that fire services can locate them at all hours.	AO23.1 Above or below ground fire hydrants are provided on residential, commercial and industrial streets and private roads, at not more than 90m intervals, and at each street intersection. Note—On residential streets, above ground fire hydrants may be single outlet. On commercial and industrial streets above ground fire hydrants should have dual valved outlets. AO23.2 Fire hydrants are identified by:	TBC at Detailed Design

	a. raised reflectorised pavement markers (RRPM) on sealed roads; b. marker posts at the fence line where on an unsealed road, as road (HR) or path (HP) hydrants.	
PO24 Development ensures road widths and construction within the development, are adequate for refuse vehicles and for fire emergency vehicles to gain access to a safe working area close to buildings and near water supplies whether or not on-street parking spaces are occupied.	AO24 Internal private roads have a minimum roadway clearance between obstructions of 3.5m wide and 4.8m high in addition to any width required for on-street parking.	N/A
Development for major electricity infrastructure and bulk water supply infrastructure identified on the State Planning Policy Interactive Mapping System where not in the Utility services zone precinct of the Special purpose zone		
PO25 Development avoids or otherwise minimises adverse impacts on surrounding land uses through the use of buffers and setbacks and the appropriate design and location of plant and operational areas within the site.	AO25 No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	N/A
Development potentially impacting on major electricity infrastructure and bulk water supply infrastructure identified on the State Planning Policy Interactive Mapping System where the infrastructure is not in the Utility services zone precinct of the Special purpose zone		
PO26 Development is sited and designed to: a. avoid safety risks to people or property; b. minimise noise and visual impacts to people and property; c. ensure the physical integrity and operation, maintenance and expansion of the infrastructure is not compromised.	AO26 No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	N/A

Table 9.4.4.3.B—Recommended intermittent vibration levels for cosmetic damage

Type of building		Peak particle velocity (mm/s)		
Reinforced or framed structures; industrial and heavy commercial buildings		50mm/s at 4Hz and above		
Unreinforced or light-framed structures; residential or light commercial type buildings	Below 4Hz	4Hz to 15Hz	15Hz and above	
	0.6mm/s	15mm/s at 4Hz increasing to 20mm/s at 15Hz	20mm/s at 15Hz increasing to 50mm/s at 40Hz and above	

Table 9.4.4.3.C—Recommended blasting vibration levels for human comfort

Type of building	Type of blasting operations	Peak component particle velocity (mm/s)
Residences, educational establishments and places of worship	Operation blasting longer than 12 months or more than 20 blasts	5mm/s for 95% blasts per year 10mm/s maximum unless agreement is reached with the occupier that a higher limit may apply
Residences, educational establishments and places of worship	Operation blasting longer than 12 months or more than 20 blasts	10mm/s maximum unless agreement is reached with the occupier that a higher limit may apply
Industry or commercial premises	All blasting	25mm/s maximum unless agreement is reached with the occupier that a higher limit may apply. For sites containing

		equipment sensitive to vibration, the vibration should be kept below manufacturer's specifications or levels that do not adversely affect the equipment operation.
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Table 9.4.4.3.D—Recommended levels for continuous and impulsive vibration acceleration (m/s^2) 1–80Hz for human comfort

Location	Assessment period ⁽¹⁾	Preferred values ⁽³⁾		Maximum values ⁽³⁾	
Continuous vibration		z-axis	x and y axes	z-axis	x and y axes
Critical areas ⁽²⁾	Day or night	0.005 m/s^2	0.0036 m/s^2	0.01 m/s^2	0.0072 m/s^2
Residences	Day	0.01 m/s^2	0.0071 m/s^2	0.02 m/s^2	0.014 m/s^2
-	Night	0.007 m/s^2	0.005 m/s^2	0.014 m/s^2	0.01 m/s^2
Offices, educational establishments and places of worship	Day or night	0.02 m/s^2	0.014 m/s^2	0.04 m/s^2	0.028 m/s^2
Workshops	Day or night	0.04 m/s^2	0.029 m/s^2	0.08 m/s^2	0.058 m/s^2
Impulsive vibration					
Critical areas	Day or night	0.005 m/s^2	0.0036 m/s^2	0.01 m/s^2	0.0072 m/s^2
Residences	Day	0.3 m/s^2	0.21 m/s^2	0.6 m/s^2	0.42 m/s^2
-	Night	0.1 m/s^2	0.071 m/s^2	0.2 m/s^2	0.14 m/s^2
Offices, educational establishments and places of worship	Day or night	0.64 m/s^2	0.46 m/s^2	1.28 m/s^2	0.92 m/s^2
Workshops	Day or night	0.64 m/s^2	0.46 m/s^2	1.28 m/s^2	0.92 m/s^2

Note—

⁽¹⁾ Day is 7am to 10pm and night is 10pm to 7am.

⁽²⁾ Examples include hospital operating theatres and precision laboratories where sensitive operations are occurring.

⁽³⁾ Situations exist where vibration above the preferred values can be acceptable, particularly for temporary or short-term events. Further guidance is given in the Noise impact assessment planning scheme policy.

Table 9.4.4.3.E—Recommended vibration dose values for intermittent vibration ($\text{m/s}^{1.75}$) for human comfort

Location	Daytime ⁽¹⁾		Night time ⁽¹⁾	
	Preferred value	Maximum value	Preferred value ⁽³⁾	Maximum value ⁽³⁾
Critical areas ⁽²⁾	0.1 $\text{m/s}^{1.75}$	0.2 $\text{m/s}^{1.75}$	0.1 $\text{m/s}^{1.75}$	0.2 $\text{m/s}^{1.75}$
Residences	0.2 $\text{m/s}^{1.75}$	0.4 $\text{m/s}^{1.75}$	0.13 $\text{m/s}^{1.75}$	0.26 $\text{m/s}^{1.75}$
Offices, educational establishments and places of worship	0.4 $\text{m/s}^{1.75}$	0.8 $\text{m/s}^{1.75}$	0.4 $\text{m/s}^{1.75}$	0.8 $\text{m/s}^{1.75}$
Workshops	0.8 $\text{m/s}^{1.75}$	1.6 $\text{m/s}^{1.75}$	0.8 $\text{m/s}^{1.75}$	1.6 $\text{m/s}^{1.75}$

Note—

⁽¹⁾ Day is 7am to 10pm and night is 10pm to 7am.

⁽²⁾ Examples include hospital operating theatres and precision laboratories where sensitive operations are occurring.

⁽³⁾ Situations exist where vibration above the preferred values can be acceptable, particularly for temporary or short-term events. Further guidance is given in the Noise impact assessment planning scheme policy.

9.4.9 Stormwater code

9.4.9.1 Application

1. This code applies to assessing a material change of use, reconfiguring a lot or operational work if:
 - a. assessable development where this code is identified as a prescribed secondary code in the assessment benchmarks column of a table of assessment for a material change of use (section 5.5), reconfiguring a lot (section 5.6) operational work (section 5.8) or an overlay (section 5.10); or
 - b. impact assessable development, to the extent relevant.
2. When using this code, reference should be made to section 1.5 and section 5.3.3.

Note—The following purpose, overall outcomes, performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes comprise the assessment benchmarks of this code.

Note—Where this code includes performance outcomes or acceptable outcomes that relate to infrastructure design and construction works, guidance is provided in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.

9.4.9.2 Purpose

1. The purpose of the Stormwater code is to assess the suitability of the stormwater aspects of development.
2. The purpose of the code will be achieved through the following overall outcomes:
 - a. Development achieves acceptable levels of stormwater run-off quality and quantity by applying water sensitive urban design principles as part of an integrated stormwater management framework.
 - b. Development protects public health and safety and protects against damage or nuisance caused by stormwater flows.
 - c. Development has a stormwater management system which maintains, recreates or minimises impact to natural catchment hydrological processes.
 - d. Development ensures that the environmental values of the city's waterways are protected or enhanced.
 - e. Development minimises run-off, including peak flows.
 - f. Development maintains or enhances the efficiency and integrity of the stormwater infrastructure network.
 - g. Development minimises the whole of life cycle cost of stormwater infrastructure.

9.4.9.3 Performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes

Table 9.4.9.3.A—Performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes	Comments
Section A—If for a material change of use, reconfiguring a lot, operational work or building work Note—Compliance with the performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes in this section should be demonstrated by the submission of a site-based stormwater management plan for high risk development only.		

PO1 Development provides a stormwater management system which achieves the integrated management of stormwater to: a. minimise flooding; b. protect environmental values of receiving waters; c. maximise the use of water sensitive urban design; d. minimise safety risk to all persons; e. maximise the use of natural waterway corridors and natural channel design principles. Editor's note—The stormwater management system to be developed to address PO1 is not intended to require management of stormwater quality.	AO1 Development provides a stormwater management system designed in compliance with the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	Acceptable Outcome, refer to EDGE Consulting Engineers' Civil Engineering Report
PO2 Development ensures that the stormwater management system and site work does not adversely impact flooding or drainage characteristics of premises which are up slope, down slope or adjacent to the site.	AO2.1 Development does not result in an increase in flood level or flood hazard on up slope, down slope or adjacent premises. AO2.2 Development provides a stormwater management system which is designed in compliance with the standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	Acceptable Outcome, refer to EDGE Consulting Engineers' Civil Engineering Report
PO3 Development ensures that the stormwater management system does not direct stormwater run-off through existing or proposed lots and property where it is likely to adversely affect the safety of, or cause nuisance to properties.	AO3.1 Development ensures that the location of the stormwater drainage system is contained within a road reserve, drainage reserve, public pathway, park or waterway corridor. AO3.2 Development provides a stormwater management system which is designed in compliance with the standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	Acceptable Outcome, refer to EDGE Consulting Engineers' Civil Engineering Report
	AO3.3	

	Development obtains a lawful point of discharge in compliance with the standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	
	AO3.4 Where on private land, all underground stormwater infrastructure is secured by a drainage easement.	
PO4 Development provides a stormwater management system which has sufficient capacity to safely convey run-off taking into account increased run-off from impervious surfaces and flooding in local catchments.	AO4.1 Development provides a stormwater conveyance system which is designed to safely convey flows in compliance with the standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy. AO4.2 Development provides sufficient area to convey run-off which will comply with the standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	Acceptable Outcome, refer to EDGE Consulting Engineers' Civil Engineering Report
PO5 Development designs stormwater channels, creek modification works, bridges, culverts and major drains to protect and enhance the value of the waterway corridor or drainage path for fauna movement.	AO5 Development ensures the design of stormwater channels, creek modifications or other infrastructure, permits terrestrial and aquatic fauna movement.	N/A
PO6 Development ensures that location and design of stormwater detention and water quality treatment: a. minimises risk to people and property; b. provides for safe access and maintenance; c. minimises ecological impacts to creeks and waterways.	AO6.1 Development locates stormwater detention and water quality treatment: a. outside of a waterway corridor; b. offline to any catchment not contained within the development. AO6.2 Development providing for stormwater detention and water quality treatment devices are designed in compliance with the standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	N/A

PO7 Development is designed, including any car parking areas and channel works to: a. reduce property damage; b. provide safe access to the site during the defined flood event.	AO7.1 Development (including any ancillary structures and car parking areas) is located above minimum flood immunity levels in Table 9.4.9.3.B, Table 9.4.9.3.C, Table 9.4.9.3.D, Table 9.4.9.3.E and Table 9.4.9.3.F. Note—Compliance with this acceptable outcome can be demonstrated by the submission of a hydraulic and hydrology report identifying flood levels and development design levels (as part of a site-based stormwater management plan). AO7.2 Development including the road network provides a stormwater management system that provides safe pedestrian and vehicle access in accordance with the standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	N/A
PO8 Development designs stormwater channels, creek modification works and the drainage network to protect and enhance the environmental values of the waterway corridor or drainage path.	AO8.1 Development ensures natural waterway corridors and drainage paths are retained. AO8.2 Development provides the required hydraulic conveyance of the drainage channel and floodway, while maximising its potential to maximise environmental benefits and minimise scour. Editor's note—Guidance on natural channel design principles can be found in the Council's publication Natural channel design guidelines. AO8.3 Development provides stormwater outlets into waterways, creeks, wetlands and overland flow paths with energy dissipation to minimise scour in compliance with the standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy. AO8.4 Development ensures that the design of modifications to the existing design of new stormwater channels, creeks	N/A

	and major drains is in compliance with the standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	
PO9 Development is designed to manage run-off and peak flows by minimising large areas of impervious material and maximising opportunities for capture and re-use.	AO9 No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	Acceptable Outcome, refer to EDGE Consulting Engineers' Civil Engineering Report
PO10 Development ensures that there is sufficient site area to accommodate an effective stormwater management system. Note—Compliance with the performance outcome should be demonstrated by the submission of a site-based stormwater management plan for high-risk development only.	AO10 No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	Acceptable Outcome, refer to EDGE Consulting Engineers' Civil Engineering Report
PO11 Development provides for the orderly development of stormwater infrastructure within a catchment, having regard to the: a. existing capacity of stormwater infrastructure within and external to the site, and any planned stormwater infrastructure upgrades; b. safe management of stormwater discharge from existing and future up-slope development; c. implication for adjacent and down-slope development.	AO11.1 Development with up-slope external catchment areas provides a drainage connection sized for ultimate catchment conditions that is directed to a lawful point of discharge. AO11.2 Development ensures that existing stormwater infrastructure that is undersized is upgraded in compliance with the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	Acceptable Outcome, refer to EDGE Consulting Engineers' Civil Engineering Report
PO12 Development provides stormwater infrastructure which: a. remains fit for purpose for the life of the development and maintains full functionality in the design flood event; b. can be safely accessed and maintained cost effectively; c. ensures no structural damage to existing stormwater infrastructure.	AO12.1 The stormwater management system is designed in compliance with the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy. AO12.2 Development provides a clear area with a minimum of 2m radius from the centre of an existing manhole cover and with a minimum height clearance of 2.5m.	Acceptable Outcome, refer to EDGE Consulting Engineers' Civil Engineering Report

PO13 Development ensures that all reasonable and practicable measures are taken to manage the impacts of erosion, turbidity and sedimentation, both within and external to the development site from construction activities, including vegetation clearing, earthworks, civil construction, installation of services, rehabilitation, revegetation and landscaping to protect: a. the environmental values and water quality objectives of waters; b. waterway hydrology; c. the maintenance and serviceability of stormwater infrastructure. Note—The Infrastructure design planning scheme policy outlines the appropriate measures to be taken into account to achieve the performance outcome.	AO13 No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	TBC at Detailed Design
PO14 Development ensures that: a. unnecessary disturbance to soil, waterways or drainage channels is avoided; b. all soil surfaces remain effectively stabilised against erosion in the short and long term.	AO14 No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	TBC at Detailed Design
PO15 Development does not increase: a. the concentration of total suspended solids or other contaminants in stormwater flows during site construction; b. run-off which causes erosion either on site or off site.	AO15 No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	TBC at Detailed Design
Section B—Additional performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes which apply to high-risk development, being one or more of the following: a. a material change of use for an urban purpose which involves greater than 2,500m² of land that: i. will result in an impervious area greater than 25% of the net developable area; or ii. will result in 6 or more dwellings.		

b. reconfiguring a lot for an urban purpose that involves greater than 2,500m ² of land and will result in 6 or more lots; c. operational work for an urban purpose which involves disturbing greater than 2,500m ² of land.		
PO16 Development ensures that the entry and transport of contaminants into stormwater is avoided or minimised to protect receiving water environmental values. Note—Prescribed water contaminants are defined in the <i>Environmental Protection Act 1994</i> . Note—Compliance with the performance outcome should be demonstrated by the submission of a site-based stormwater management plan for high-risk development only.	AO16 Development provides a stormwater management system which is designed in compliance with the standards in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	TBC at Detailed Design
PO17 Development ensures that: a. the discharge of wastewater to a waterway or external to the site is avoided; or b. if the discharge cannot practicably be avoided, the development minimises wastewater discharge through re-use, recycling, recovery and treatment. Note—The preparation of a wastewater management plan can assist in demonstrating achievement of this performance outcome. Editor's note—This code does not deal with sewerage which is the subject of the Wastewater code.	AO17 No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	TBC at Detailed Design
Section C—Additional performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes for assessable development for a material change of use or reconfiguring a lot		
PO18 Development protects stormwater infrastructure to ensure the following are not compromised: a. the long term infrastructure for the stormwater network in the Long term infrastructure plans; b. the existing and planned infrastructure for the stormwater network in the Local government infrastructure plan;	AO18 Development protects stormwater infrastructure in compliance with the following: a. for long term infrastructure for the stormwater network, the Long term infrastructure plans; b. for existing and planned infrastructure for the stormwater network, the Local government infrastructure plan;	Acceptable Outcome, refer to EDGE Consulting Engineers' Civil Engineering Report

c. the provision of long term, existing and planned infrastructure for the stormwater network which: i. is required to service the development or an existing and future urban development in the planning scheme area; or ii. is in the interests of rational development or the efficient and orderly planning of the general area in which the site is situated. Editor's note—A condition which requires a proposed development to keep permanent improvements and structures associated with the approved development clear of the area of long term infrastructure, may be imposed.	c. the standards for stormwater drainage in the Infrastructure design planning scheme policy.	
PO19 Development provides for the payment of extra trunk infrastructure costs for the following: a. for development completely or partly outside the priority infrastructure area in the Local government infrastructure plan; b. for development completely inside the priority infrastructure area in the Local government infrastructure plan involving: i. trunk infrastructure that is to be provided earlier than planned in the Local government infrastructure plan; ii. long term infrastructure for the stormwater network which is made necessary by development that is not assumed future urban development; iii. other infrastructure for the stormwater network associated with development that is not assumed future urban development which is made necessary by the development. Editor's note—The payment of extra trunk infrastructure costs for development completely inside the priority infrastructure area in the Local government infrastructure plan is to be worked out in accordance with the Charges Resolution.	AO19 No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	N/A

Editor's note—See section 130 Imposing Development conditions (Conditions for extra trunk infrastructure costs) of the <i>Planning Act 2016</i> .		
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Table 9.4.9.3.B—Categories of flood planning levels

Flooding type ⁽¹⁾	Minimum design floor or pavement levels (m AHD) ⁽²⁾ (refer to Table 9.4.9.3.C for assignment of these categories)				
	Category A	Category B	Category C	Category D	Category E
Waterway ^(A) or open channel	1% AEP flood level + 500mm	1% AEP flood level + 300mm	1% AEP flood level	1% AEP flood level	5% AEP flood level
Overland flow flooding ^(B)	2% AEP flood level +500mm	2% AEP flood level +300mm	2% AEP flood level	2% AEP flood level	5% AEP flood level

Notes—

⁽¹⁾ Where the site is subject to more than one type of flooding that is overland flow flooding, creek or waterway flooding or river flooding, the minimum flood immunity level is the highest level determined from these sources.

⁽²⁾ Where flood levels are not available from Council's Floodwise Property Report such as overland flow flooding, the applicant will need to engage a suitably qualified Registered Professional Engineer Queensland with expertise in undertaking flood studies to estimate the relevant flood level.

Note ^(A) A waterway, including any indicated on the planning scheme maps, is defined as any element of a river, creek, stream, gully or drainage channel, including the bed and banks, typically with a catchment area greater than 30ha.

Note ^(B) Overland flow flooding usually occurs when the capacity of the underground piped drainage system is exceeded and/or when the overland flow path is blocked. Localised overland flow paths generally traverse along roadways, and in the older established areas, through private properties within existing low points and gullies. A localised overland flow path is not characterised by well-defined bed and banks and the contributing catchment is generally less than 30ha.

Note—A flood event with an AEP of 1% is the equivalent of a 100 year ARI flood event.

Note—A flood event with an AEP of 2% is the equivalent of a 50 year ARI flood event.

Note—A flood event with an AEP of 5% is the equivalent of a 20 year ARI flood event.

Note—The flood immunity level in some older inner-city areas is often controlled by local ponding.

Table 9.4.9.3.C—Flood planning level categories for development types

BCA building classification ⁽¹⁾	Development types and design levels, assigned design floor or pavement levels	Category Refer to Table 8.2.11.3.L
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Class 1–4	Habitable room	Category A
	Non-habitable room including patio and courtyard	Category B
	Non-habitable part of a Class 2 or Class 3 building excluding the essential services ⁽²⁾ control room	Category B
	Parking located in the building undercroft of a multiple dwelling	Category C
	Carport ⁽⁴⁾ , unroofed car park; vehicular manoeuvring area	Category D
	Essential electrical services ⁽²⁾ of a Class 2 or Class 3 building only	Category A ⁽⁶⁾
	Basement parking entry ⁽³⁾	Category C + 300mm
Class 5, Class 6, or Class 8	Building floor level	Category C
	Garage or car park located in the building undercroft ⁽³⁾	Category C
	Carport ⁽⁴⁾ or unroofed car park	Category D
	Vehicular access and manoeuvring areas	Category D
	Basement parking entry ⁽³⁾	Category C
	Essential electrical services ⁽²⁾	Class 8 – Category C ⁽⁶⁾ Class 5 & 6 – Category A ⁽⁶⁾
Class 7a	Refer to the relevant building class specified in this table	
Class 7b	Building floor level	Category C
	Vehicular access and manoeuvring area	Category D
	Essential electrical services ⁽²⁾	Category C

Class 9	Building floor level	Category A
	Building floor level for habitable rooms in Class 9a or 9c where for a residential care facility	0.2% AEP flood
	Garage or car park located in the building undercroft ⁽³⁾	Category C
	Carport ⁽⁴⁾ or unroofed car park	Category D
	Vehicular access and manoeuvring areas	Category D
	Essential electrical services ⁽²⁾	Category A
Class 10a	Car parking facility	Refer to the relevant building class specified in this table
	Shed ⁽⁵⁾ or the like	Category D
Class 10b	Swimming pool	Category E
	Associated mechanical and electrical pool equipment	Category C
	Other structures	Flood immunity standard does not apply

Notes—

⁽¹⁾ Refer to the Building Code of Australia for definitions of building classifications.

⁽²⁾ Essential services include any room used for fire control panel, telephone PABX, sensitive substation equipment including transformers, low voltage switch gear, high-voltage switch gear, battery chargers, protection control and communication equipment, low voltage cables, high-voltage cables and lift controls.

⁽³⁾ Basement car parks must be suitably waterproofed and all air vents, air-conditioning ducts, pedestrian access and entry and exit ramps at the car park entrance have flood immunity in accordance with this table.

⁽⁴⁾ A shelter for a motor vehicle, which has a roof and one or more open sides, and which can be built against the side of a building.

⁽⁵⁾ A slight or rough structure built for shelter and storage; or a large strongly built structure, often open at the sides or end.

⁽⁶⁾ Where essential services are proposed in a basement below the specified flood planning level, the flood immunity of all air vents, air-conditioning ducts, pedestrian access, lift shafts and entry/exit ramps at the basement entrance and any other openings into that basement must conform to Category A for Residential development, and the relevant basement entry level of all other uses. This will require a waterproof basement design to prevent floodwaters entering the basement to ensure flood immunity.

Note—A flood event with an AEP of 2% is the equivalent of a 50 year ARI flood event.

Note—A flood event with an AEP of 0.2% is the equivalent of a 500 year ARI flood event.

Note—Where a building has a combination of uses that includes a component of class 2, 3 or 9, the essential services for that building shall comply with the requirements of the building class with the greatest flood immunity requirement.

Note—Use classes for residential development also include basement storage.

Table 9.4.9.3.D—Flood planning levels for a new road

Flooding type ⁽¹⁾	Minimum design levels at the crown of the road (m AHD) ⁽²⁾	
	Residential development	Industrial or commercial development
Waterway ^(A) or open channel	1% AEP flood level	2% AEP flood level
Overland flow flooding ^(B)	2% AEP flood level	2% AEP flood level

Notes—

⁽¹⁾ Where the site is subject to more than 1 type of flooding, the minimum flood planning level is the highest level determined from these sources. It should be noted that the flooding planning level in some older areas is often controlled by local ponding.

⁽²⁾ Where flood levels are not available from Council's Floodwise Property Report, such as overland flow flooding, the applicant will need to engage a suitably qualified Registered Professional Engineer Queensland with expertise in undertaking flood studies to estimate the relevant flood level.

Note ^(A) A waterway including any indicated on the planning scheme maps is defined as any element of a river, creek, stream, gully or drainage channel, including the bed and banks typically with a catchment area greater than 30ha.

Note ^(B) Overland flow flooding usually occurs when the capacity of the underground piped drainage system is exceeded and/or when the overland flow path is blocked. Localised overland flow paths generally traverse along roadways, and in the older established areas, through private properties within existing low points and gullies. A localised overland flow path is not characterised by well-defined bed and banks and the contributing catchment is generally less than 30ha.

Note—A flood event with an AEP of 1% is the equivalent of a 100 year ARI flood event.

Note—A flood event with an AEP of 2% is the equivalent of a 50 year ARI flood event.

Note—A flood event with an AEP of 5% is the equivalent of a 20 year ARI flood event.

Table 9.4.9.3.E—Flood planning levels for essential community infrastructure

Type of essential community infrastructure	Minimum design levels
Emergency services	0.2% AEP flood
Emergency services, where for an emergency shelter	0.5% AEP flood
Emergency services, where for police facilities	0.5% AEP flood
Hospital and health care service, where associated with a hospital	0.2% AEP flood

Community facility where involving storage of valuable records or items of historic or cultural significance (e.g. galleries and libraries)	0.5% AEP flood
State-controlled roads Major or minor electricity infrastructure not otherwise listed in this table Utility installation where for rail transport services Air service Telecommunications facility	No specific recommended level but development proponents should ensure that the infrastructure is optimally located and designed to achieve suitable levels of service, having regard to the processes and policies of the administering government agency.
Power stations (as defined in the <i>Electricity Act 1994</i>) or renewable energy facility.	0.2% AEP flood
Major electricity infrastructure where a major switch yard	0.2% AEP flood
Substations	0.5% AEP flood
Utility installation where for a sewage treatment plant	DFE
Utility installation where for a water treatment plant	0.5% AEP flood

Note—A flood event with an AEP of 0.2% is the equivalent of a 500 year ARI flood event.

Note—A flood event with an AEP of 0.5% is the equivalent of a 200 year ARI flood event.

Table 9.4.9.3.F—Flood planning levels for reconfiguring a lot

Flooding type ⁽¹⁾	Minimum lot levels (m AHD) ⁽²⁾	
	Residential	Other than residential
Waterway ^(A) or open channel	1% AEP flood level + 300mm	1% AEP flood level
Overland flow flooding ^(B)	1% AEP flood level + 300mm	2% AEP flood level

Notes—

⁽¹⁾ Where the site is subject to more than one type of flooding, the minimum flood immunity level is the highest level determined from these sources.

⁽²⁾ Where flood levels are not available from Council's Floodwise Property Report such as overland flow flooding, the applicant will need to engage a suitably qualified Registered Professional Engineer Queensland with expertise in undertaking flood studies to estimate the relevant flood level.

Note ^(A) A waterway including any indicated on the planning scheme maps is defined as any element of a river, creek, stream, gully or drainage channel, including the bed and banks typically with a catchment area greater than 30ha.

Note ^(B) Overland flow flooding usually occurs when the capacity of the underground piped drainage system is exceeded or when the overland flow path is blocked. Localised overland flow paths generally traverse along roadways, and in the older established areas, through private properties within existing low points and gullies. A localised overland flow path is not characterised by well-defined bed and banks and the contributing catchment is generally less than 30ha.

Note—A flood event with an AEP of 1% is the equivalent of a 100 year ARI flood event.

Note—A flood event with an AEP of 2% is the equivalent of a 50 year ARI flood event.

Appendix F – ESC Hazard Assessment



Erosion Hazard Assessment - June 2014

Brisbane City Council (BCC), *Erosion Hazard Assessment* form must be read in conjunction with the *Erosion Hazard Assessment- Supporting Technical Notes* (June 2014 or later version) for explanatory terms and Certification information.

What is an Erosion Hazard Assessment?

Soil erosion and sediment from urban development, particularly during construction activities, is a significant source of sediment pollution in Brisbane's waterways. The Erosion Hazard Assessment determines whether the risk of soil erosion and sediment pollution to the environment is 'low', 'medium' or 'high'.

When is the EHA required?

An *Erosion Hazard Assessment* form must be completed and lodged with BCC for any Development Application (ie MCU or ROL) that will result in soil disturbance OR Operational Works or Compliance Assessment Application for 'Filling' or Excavation.

Failure to submit this form during lodgement of an application may result in assessment delays or refusal of the application.

Privacy Statement

The personal information collected on this form will be used by Brisbane City Council for the purposes of fulfilling your request and undertaking associated Council functions and services. Your personal information will not be disclosed to any third party without your consent, unless this is required or permitted by law.

Assessment Details

1 Please turn over and complete the erosion hazard assessment.

2 Based on the erosion hazard assessment overleaf, is the site:

☐ **A 'low' risk site**

Best practice erosion and sediment control (ESC) must be implemented but no erosion and sediment control plans need to be submitted with the development application. Factsheets outlining best practice ESC can be found at <http://www.waterbydesign.com.au/factsheets>

☒ **A 'medium' risk site**

If the development is approved, the applicant will need to engage a Registered Professional Engineer (RPEQ) or Certified Professional in Erosion and Sediment Control (CPESC) to prepare an ESC Program and Plan and supporting documentation — in accordance with the requirements of the Infrastructure Design Planning Scheme Policy.

☐ **A 'high' risk site**

If the development is approved, the applicant will need to engage a RPEQ and CPESC to prepare an ESC Program and Plan and supporting documentation — in accordance with the requirements of the Infrastructure Design Planning Scheme Policy. The plans and program will need to be certified by a CPESC.

3 Site Information and Certification

Application number (if known)

Site address

Site 17.2, 17 Karakul Road, Hamilton, 4007

Postcode

I certify that:

- ☐ I have made all relevant enquiries and am satisfied no matters of significance have been withheld from the assessment manager.
- ☐ I am a person with suitable qualifications and/or experience in erosion and sediment control.
- ☐ The Erosion Hazard Assessment was completed in accordance with the Erosion Hazard Assessment Supporting Technical Notes and the BCC Infrastructure Design Planning Scheme Policy.
- ☐ The Erosion Hazard Assessment accurately reflects the site's overall risk of soil erosion and sediment pollution to the environment.
- ☐ I acknowledge and accept that the BCC, as assessment manager, relies, in good faith, on this certification as part of its development assessment process and the provision of false or misleading information to the BCC constitutes an offence for which BCC may take punitive steps/ action against me/ enforcement action against me.

Certified by *Print name*

Certifier's signature

Date

Table 1: Low Risk Test

		Yes	No
1.1	is the area of land disturbance > 1000 m ²	☒	☐
1.2	does any land disturbance occur in a BCC mapped waterway corridor	☐	☒
1.3	is there any slope on site (longer than three metres in length) before, during or after construction that is steeper than 5%	☐	☒
1.4	does any land disturbance occur below 5 m AHD	☐	☒
1.5	does development involve endorsement of a staging plan	☐	☒
1.6	is there an upstream catchment passing through the site > 1 hectare	☐	☒

Have you answered 'yes' to any of the questions in Table 1?

Yes	No
☒	☐

If 'No' then site is low risk with respect to erosion and sediment control

If 'Yes' then proceed to Table 2

Table 2: Medium Risk Test

		Yes	No
2.1	is the area of land disturbance > 1 hectare	☐	☒

If 'No' then site is medium risk with respect to erosion and sediment control

If 'Yes' then proceed to Table 3

Table 3: High Risk Test

3.1	is there an upstream catchment passing through the site > 1 hectare	☐	☐
3.2	does any land disturbance occurs in a BCC mapped waterway corridor	☐	☐
3.3	is there any slope on site (longer than three metres in length) before, during or after construction that is steeper than 15%	☐	☐

Have you answered 'yes' to any of the questions in Table 3?

Yes	No
☐	☐

If 'No' then site is medium risk with respect to erosion and sediment control

If 'Yes' then site is high risk with respect to erosion and sediment control