

1.0 Regional Consent Conditions – Culverts (Southern)

Use and maintenance of culverts and ancillary structures (including temporary structures) and construction of new culverts in association with the Ashbourne Southern Solar Farm

- (1) The works shall be undertaken in general accordance with the information and plans¹ submitted by the Consent Holder in support of RCXX as listed in **Schedule 1** and received by the *Environmental Protection Authority* on 23 July 2025, and subject to the following conditions. In the event of a conflict between the documents in **Schedule 1** and the conditions of these resource consents, the conditions of these resource consents shall prevail.
- (2) The Consent Holder shall retain suitably qualified and experienced practitioners to complete and finalise the detailed design of the new culverts and ancillary structures.
- (3) The design and installation of all new structures shall ensure that fish passage for expected native fish species is at least maintained.
- (4) The design and installation of all new or modified culverts shall be in accordance with New Zealand Fish Passage Guidelines for Structures up to 4 metres (Franklin et al. 2018).
- (5) The Consent Holder shall be responsible for the design, structural integrity and maintenance of all culverts and ancillary structures. Following construction, no alterations shall be made to the structures (other than to meet the requirements of this resource consent) without first submitting detailed design drawings and report(s) to the WRC for technical certification prior to altering the stream channel.
- (6) All machinery used to complete the works shall be operated in a manner which ensures that spillages of fuel, oil and similar contaminants are prevented, particularly during refuelling and machinery servicing and maintenance. Refuelling and lubrication activities shall be carried out away from any surface water such that any spillage can be contained and does not enter any surface water.
- (7) The Consent Holder shall ensure that all machinery used in the exercise of this consent is cleaned prior to being transported to the site to ensure that all seed and/or plant matter has been removed and documented in accordance with the WRC document titled 'KEEP IT CLEAN' – Machinery hygiene guidelines and logbook to prevent the spread of pests and weeds' (June 2013).
- (8) The Consent Holder shall retain suitably qualified and experienced practitioners to prepare and sign As-built Certification Statements which certify that the culverts have been constructed in accordance with the certified detailed designs as required by Condition [(1)]. The approved As-built Certification Statements shall be submitted WRC within 90 working days of completion of the construction works.
- (9) The Consent Holder shall be responsible for any erosion protection or control works, and associated maintenance, that become necessary to preserve the integrity and stability of all watercourses, structures, land and property as a result of the exercise of this consent. If/where

¹ All Management Plans lodged with the application are DRAFT and subject to change through the certification process.

erosion protection or control works become necessary, the Consent Holder shall undertake these works after liaising with all affected parties.

Advice Note: Separate resource consents may be required to undertake erosion protection or control works. The Consent Holder is advised to obtain all such consents at its sole expense, prior to any works being undertaken

1.1.1 Advice Notes

- This resource consent does not give any right of access over private or public property. Arrangements for access must be made between the Consent Holder and the property owner.
- The reasonable costs incurred by **WRC** arising from supervision and monitoring of this/these consents will be charged to the Consent Holder. This may include but not be limited to routine inspection of the site by **WRC** officers or agents, liaison with the Consent Holder, responding to complaints or enquiries relating to the site, and review and assessment of compliance with the conditions of consents.
- Note that pursuant to Section 332 of the **RMA**, enforcement officers may at all reasonable times go onto the property that is the subject of this consent, for the purpose of carrying out inspections, surveys, investigations, tests, measurements or taking samples.