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Comments on Draft Designation Conditions			
3	An Outline Plan (or Plans) (pursuant to section 176A of the RMA) shall be submitted to the Council WDC at least 30 working days prior to the Commencement of Works. The Outline Plan shall include: a) The height, shape and bulk of the work; b) The layout of the proposed Project alignment; c) The likely finished contour of the site; d) Vehicular access, circulation and provision for parking; e) Landscaping proposed; f) WDC Waimakariri District Council WDC services assets to be relocated as a result of the Project; g) Any other matters to avoid, remedy or mitigate any adverse effects on the environment, such as specific designs of noise barriers, and shall include consideration of the Noise Assessment Report required by condition 92; h) The following management plans: 1) A Construction Environmental Management Plan in accordance with condition 8; 2) A Construction Traffic Management Plan in accordance with condition 9; 3) A Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan in accordance with condition 11; 4) An Archaeological and Cultural Sites Management Plan in accordance with conditions 28 and 29;	<i>Shall amend to be consistent with new definitions</i>	NZTA accepts the administrative amendments sought NZTA rejects the amendments sought to clause h(6). The matters in Condition 39, 39A and 39B secure landscape outcomes but do not relate to the process of developing the ULDMP. Consequently, they are not necessary to reference in this condition.

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	5) A Heritage Management Plan for 110 Parsonage Road, if required by and in accordance with condition 31; 6) An Urban and Landscape Design Management Plan in accordance with conditions 34-37;39,39A and 39B 7) A Visual Effects Management Plan (VEMP) in accordance with conditions 40-41.	<i>The ULDM Plan shall include the requirements under Conditions 39, 39A and 39B as well outlining the details of the requirements under these conditions.</i>	
6	If there is a material change required to a management plan which has been submitted as part of an Outline Plan, the revised part of the plan shall be submitted to WDC Council as an update to the Outline Plan as soon as practicable following identification of the need for a revision allowing WDC a minimum of 10 working days in addition to the 30 working days required under condition 3, to review the revised parts of the outline plan	<i>Because the level of material changes are unknown, it is important to allow sufficient time for WDC to review revised information.</i>	NZTA accepts the administrative amendments sought NZTA rejects the amendments sought in relation to Outline Plan timing There is already a set process and timeframe in the RMA for an Outline Plan which is the mechanism for approving management plans and any material changes to management plans.
9	The Requiring Authority shall prepare and implement a Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP). The purpose of the CTMP is to minimise adverse effects on property access, traffic safety and efficiency resulting from construction works activities.		NZTA rejects the amendments sought The statement “and relevant mitigations” is unclear in the context of clause (e) which relates to a schedule of roads and their characteristics.

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	The CTMP shall identify the methods for managing traffic during the construction period, including, but not limited to: a) The standards set out in the New Zealand Guide to Temporary Traffic Management; b) Planning and management of the construction work so public roads remain open or a detour is provided during construction and so that pedestrian and cyclist access and safety is maintained; c) A location plan showing the proposed works, site access points, CSA, and any other point on the local roading network to be regularly accessed during the works; d) A schedule of various work stages and anticipated traffic generation; e) A schedule of roads (including factors for each road, such as surfacing, width, visibility, traffic safety risks and relevant mitigations) to be used for haul roads for supply of materials, as well as haul roads used between various stages/locations of the work site; f) Specification Consideration of vehicle speeds on haul roads, including location specific speed limits. on haul roads		If WDC is referring to methods for managing construction traffic effects, these are already addressed through the broader condition, including the purpose and the clauses. Mitigation relating to other environmental effects (e.g. dust) is controlled in other management plans.
39B	a) Prior to the development of the Construction Support Area (CSA) at Lees Road (on the parcel legally described as Lot 2 DP 359788), establish visual screening of the CSA along the boundary with Lees Road (except where any vehicle access is	<i>This condition is required to ensure the rehabilitation process has undertaken appropriately.</i>	NZTA accepts the amendments sought, in part Clause (c) already specifies that the site is to be rehabilitated to a condition "generally consistent with its pre-construction land use and landform"

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	required). The visual screening shall include: 1) A grassed or vegetated earth bund with a minimum height of 2 m above existing ground level; and 2) Screen planting across the crest of the earth bund and between the legal boundary of Lees Road with a minimum height of 0.5 m at establishment and a maximum height of 3 m at maturity; b) The visual screening in clause (a) shall remain in place until such time that the CSA is disestablished and the site rehabilitated. Screening and planting shall be maintained for the full period the CSA is operative, including replacement of dead, dying or diseased plants as soon as practicable; c) On completion of CSA use, the site shall be rehabilitated to a condition generally consistent with its pre-construction land use and landform-unless otherwise agreed by WDC Council. Rehabilitation shall include removal of temporary hardstand, buildings and services <u>and reinstatement of natural contours</u> d) <u>Pre and post construction photographic information shall be submitted to WDC to verify rehabilitation outcome</u>		unless otherwise agreed with WDC. This captures the intent of the changes sought by WDC to clause (c), without prescribing the reinstatement of natural contours which is considered overly onerous. It is noted the site is relatively flat, but there are some minor undulations reflecting the site's various uses over time and there is no landscape reason for reinstating these features. NZTA accepts clause (d) in principle, but notes early works are already authorised and underway in part of the proposed CSA.
89	Other than as required by condition 90, the Requiring Authority shall carry out any service relocation of WDC Council assets to accord with the Council's <u>WDC's</u> Engineering Code of Practice.		NZTA accepts the administrative amendments sought

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Comments on draft contaminated land conditions			
NES-CS.4	(a) The further investigation requirements outlined in the Ground Contamination Investigation Report for HAIL sites which have not yet been investigated (Volume 3F of the Substantive Application Prepared by Tonkin Taylor dated November 2025 saved in WDC records TRIM 260107001866, 260107001868 and 260107001868) shall be completed prior to earthworks commencing in the respective area. (b) Investigation works shall be completed by a SQP and the DSI shall be provided to WDC for information certification at least 20 working days prior to earthworks commencing.	Added timeframes to provide information	NZTA rejects the amendments sought While WDC's role under the NES-CS is acknowledged, NZTA does not consider WDC certification of the DSI is required as the findings of the DSI will inform the development of the CSMP or RAP to be certified by CRC. To provide WDC with further confidence that the outstanding contamination investigations will be undertaken appropriately and the resulting DSI/s prepared to the required standard, NZTA suggests that the wording from CRC condition C1.15 is duplicated in NES-CS.4. This amendment would also improve consistency between the condition sets.
NES-CS.5	(a) Where contamination is identified at concentrations requiring active remediation, works shall be undertaken in accordance with a site-specific Remedial Action Plan (RAP). Active remediation is defined as the requirement to address unacceptable concentrations of contaminants due to risks to human health that would not otherwise be addressed through construction works. (b) The RAP must be provided to Waimakariri District Council WDC, Attention: Compliance	Same as above	NZTA accepts the administrative amendments sought NZTA does not accept the suggested amendment CRC will be required to certify any RAP before any active remedial works occur. While WDC's

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	Manager for information Certification at least 20 working days prior to works commencing. (c) The RAP must include: (i) Remedial objectives and targets (ii) Remedial methodology (iii) Any additional controls required to manage contamination discharges during remediation works (iv) Any validation sampling or methodologies that will be undertaken to demonstrate successful completion of the remedial works		role is acknowledged, NZTA does not consider dual certification by WDC is necessary.
NES-CS.6	(a) Within 2 months of the completion of any remediation works required under NES-CS.5 a Site Validation Report (SVR) must be prepared by a SQP in accordance with the Ministry for Environment's Contaminated Land Management Guidelines No 1 - Reporting on Contaminated Sites in New Zealand to validate whether the objectives of the RAP have been achieved. (b) The SVR must be provided to Waimakariri District Council WDC, Attention: Compliance Manager. (c) The SVR must include the following information: (i) Summary of remediation works undertaken. (ii) Confirmation the remediation objectives and targets have been successfully achieved, including validation sampling (if required) or documentation of validation methodologies. (iii) Details of any ongoing site management where contamination remains in place.		NZTA accepts the administrative amendments sought.

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	(iv) Evidence of the fate of material removed from the site		
NES-CS.9	(a) Where any contamination above applicable soil contaminant standards will be retained or managed on site, a Long Term Site Management Plan shall be submitted to WDC, Attention: Compliance Manager within two months of completing the construction works. (b) The Long Term Site Management Plan shall include: Accurate details of the location and extent of such retained contamination; and a. Confirmation that the construction works have been completed and were carried out in accordance with the SMP b. Details of any soil sampling and validation carried out c. Accurate details of the location and the extent of any retained contaminated soils, including an estimate of the volume of material discharged; and d. Details of the future management of any retained contaminated soil, including how the integrity of the management controls will be maintained and monitored over time		NZTA rejects amendments sought WDC's suggested amendments to the content of the Long Term Site Management Plan largely relate to matters more appropriately addressed within the Works Completion Report and already secured through NES-CS.8. NZTA has suggested an amendment to clause (b) to explicitly reference volumes of retained or managed contaminated soil.
NES-CS.10	(a) In the event of an unexpected contamination discovery (e.g., visible staining, odours, and/or other conditions that indicate soil contamination), then work must cease within 10 m of the discovery cease until a SQP has assessed the matter and recommended advised of the appropriate management,		NZTA does not accept the suggested amendments The removal of the 10 m setback in subclause (a) creates uncertainty and could be interpreted as requiring all Construction Works across the

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	remediation and/or disposal options for these soils. (b) The consent holder must implement the SQP's recommendations. (c) <u>Information on any measures to manage the risk from potential soil contamination shall be provided to WDC. Attention: Compliance Manager</u>		Project to cease where suspected contamination is discovered. Unexpected contamination is most likely (if at all) to be discovered in discrete, localised areas (e.g. unmapped farm dumps). It would be disproportionate to the risk being managed to require a greater area of works to cease. Retaining a 10 m setback appropriately manages the potential risks to human health while the suspected contamination is assessed and appropriate measures considered and implemented. NZTA also does not support the addition of clause (c) as it would be duplicative of the existing contaminated land condition framework. Measures to manage potential soil contamination will be set out in the CSMP, certified by CRC. Where additional or different measures are required, this will be a material change and the CSMP will be updated and certified by CRC. Where active remediation is required, these measures would be documented in the RAP, provided to WDC and certified by CRC. On that basis, requiring separate information to be provided to WDC under clause (c) is unnecessary.