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Hello. my name is Colin Fenton

i was born n reared in this area and lived here all my life. one of the few remaining farmers with experiences re Flooding; Plug the Pipe, Connections programme etc upheavals n now face this proposal by TCV. with an excellent understanding of the productivity that is under threat.

Having attended every meeting from St Arnaud to Swan Hill n in between area meetings that I could possibly be present at.

It would be fair to say unless Aust Government agencies in it's present format n proposals will not eventuate.

Having listened to other affected farmers concerns n objections re TCV proposals in its present form.

There is an enormously amount in the ever increasing costs n it has to be paid for by all parties.

Constantly have asked TCV reps what the compensation is pd to those directly affected by the proposals n what the cost will be to erect the dreamy scheme in its present format.

Ninety five percent of this desk top study that is riddled with lack of on the ground studies is to be erected on arable farming land that produces food for the Nation. that's you me n every other citizen.

In order to curtail the loss of primary production land, decrease costs to erect re

compensation to those losing their land that TCV should consider cutting costs by using existing railway line reserve land and all public Crown land.

Already the proposal has increased by 40kms on private land at a ridiculous cost which is for a life of 20yrs when the focus should not be 80 yrs plus.

Fundamentally if the line is placed on public land as much as possible would have significant cutting to costs.

This compensation payment must be indexed to CPI and extended to 80 plus yrs.

TCV has no concept when asked how they expect, or think farming practices will continue. For example cutting diagonally across paddocks instead of going along 3 chain roads. Irrigation paddocks will not be able to irrigate through a pipe line under the road that TCV will establish on farms, cropping farmers cannot sow their crops while TCV are running headlessly across the paddocks or harvesting to erect these transmission proposals. We have already just experienced the invasion with the GM\_Water Connections upheavals, disruptions and lack of understanding.

In this district so far the lack of coordination by the various (4) different companies is totally unacceptable.

In order for all people DIRECTLY affected by this scheme should have a meeting with the Minister for Energy.

In my concerned opinion TCV is not fit to gain an ESS licence.

Yours Faithfully

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