

Neara Platform

Overview Presentation





Setting the scene....



“ The **lack of grid capacity** is threatening Britain’s ambitious target of decarbonising the electricity system by 2035 on the path to becoming a **net zero emissions economy by 2050**



“ About **600 projects** with combined capacity of **176GW** are in the queue in England and Wales, against **64GW of connected capacity** with waiting times of up to **20 years** to be connected to the grid

[nationalgrid](https://www.nationalgrid.com)

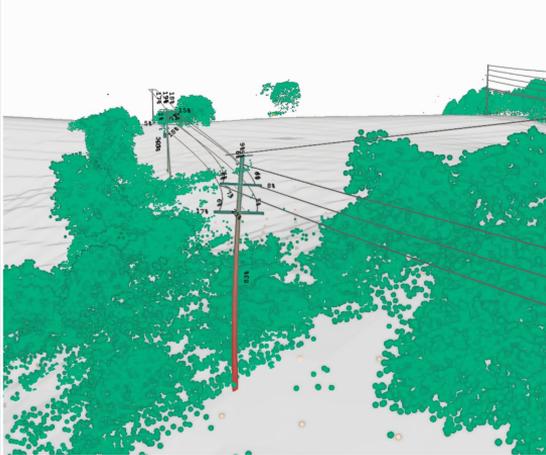
“ Daily Constraint Costs have risen to about **£62mn a day** totaling **£ 1,96bn GBP a year** in 2022

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What is Nera?

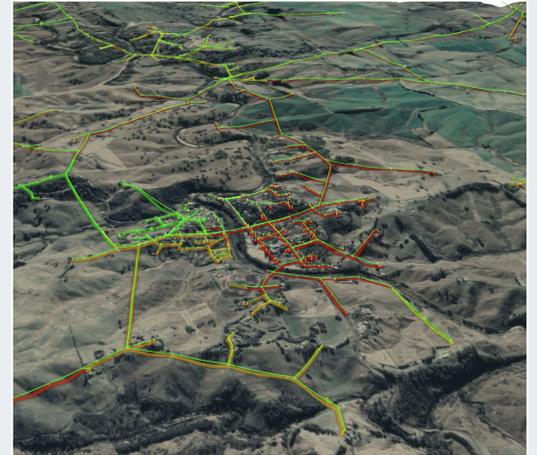
Nera is an enterprise SaaS platform that delivers a true digital model for utility networks, performing complex engineering-grade analysis, automatically, and at whole-of-network scale



Engineering grade analysis at the individual asset level



High-fidelity, automatic and dynamic asset mapping



Engineering grade analysis at whole-of-network scale

We remove the historic trade-off between accuracy and speed for network design and analysis



Total network length under management on Neara

930k
km

*...equivalent to **23x the circumference of the Earth***

Total network area under management on Neara

1.7m
square km

*...larger than the **area of California and Texas combined***

Total number of assets under management on Neara

7.9m
assets

*...covering **distribution, sub-transmission and transmission structures***



How does the platform work?

1.

Ingest, clean and unify data



GIS



LiDAR



EAM/SAP



Asset library
(e.g. pole and conductor specs)



CAD drawings



Inspection &
satellite imagery



IoT/sensor data

Auto generate

2.

Build an engineering-grade Digital Network Model



Deliver solutions

3.

Unlock Solutions



Network Design & Construction



Vegetation Management



Clearance Analysis



Storm, Flood and Wildfire
Management



Line Rerating/
Network Capacity Optimization

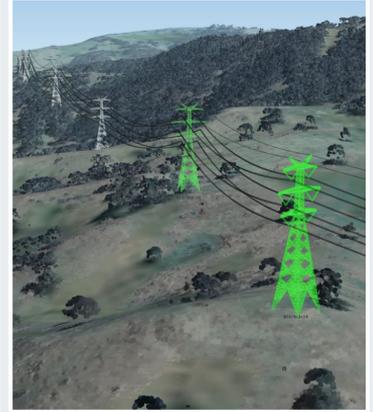
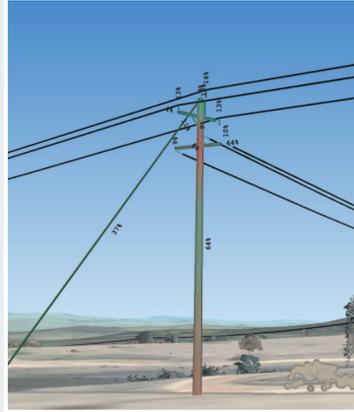
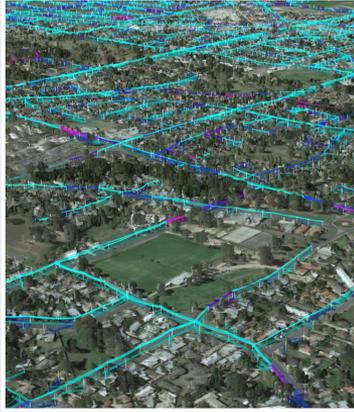
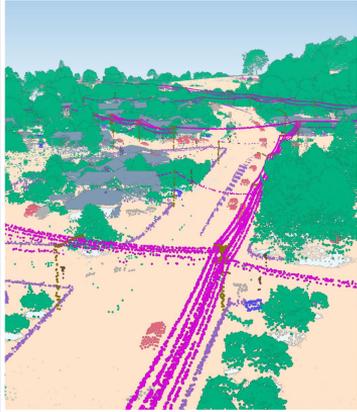


Transmission Design &
Optimization

and more...



Our platform delivers solutions across **five key themes** ...



1

LIDAR Classification & Reconciliation

Automate spatial insights

~30x faster with 99% accuracy

2

Network Digitization

Accelerate asset delivery

85%+ time savings in design efficiency

3

Network Health & Reliability

Maximize asset performance

>\$5m annual savings vs. manual inspections

4

Weather Resilience & Grid Hardening

Protect your customers

~5x more cost-effective risk identification

5

Renewable Energy & Decarbonization

Deliver a cleaner future

Accelerated renewable energy integration



...including solutions that can **directly support your current and future operations**

1

LiDAR Classification & Reconciliation

Automate spatial insights



Automated LiDAR Classification



Vectorisation & Insights

2

Network Digitization

Accelerate asset delivery



Network Design & Construction



LiDAR & GIS Reconciliation

3

Network Health & Reliability

Maximize asset performance



Asset Health Management



Vegetation Management



Dynamic Line Rating



Clearance Analysis

4

Weather Resilience & Grid Hardening

Protect your customers



Wildfire Management



Storm Management



Flood Management



Snow/Ice Management

5

Renewable Energy & Decarbonization

Deliver a cleaner future



Transmission Design & Route Optimization



Network Capacity Optimization



Interconnection Request Management



— **Exclusive**

How AI unlocked capacity across NSW's energy grid

Colin Packham *Energy and resources reporter*

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Digital modelling has revealed parts of Essential Energy's distribution network – one of Australia's largest – can transport twice as much electricity as previously thought, in a development that could help Australia negotiate a tricky energy transition.

Essential Energy has partnered with tech company Neara, which uses artificial intelligence and machine learning, to create an interactive three-dimensional model of its network, which covers nearly 900,000 homes and businesses.



Network Capacity Optimization: Dynamic & Static line rating

Unlocking existing network capacity in transmission



Dynamic Line Rating

Problem

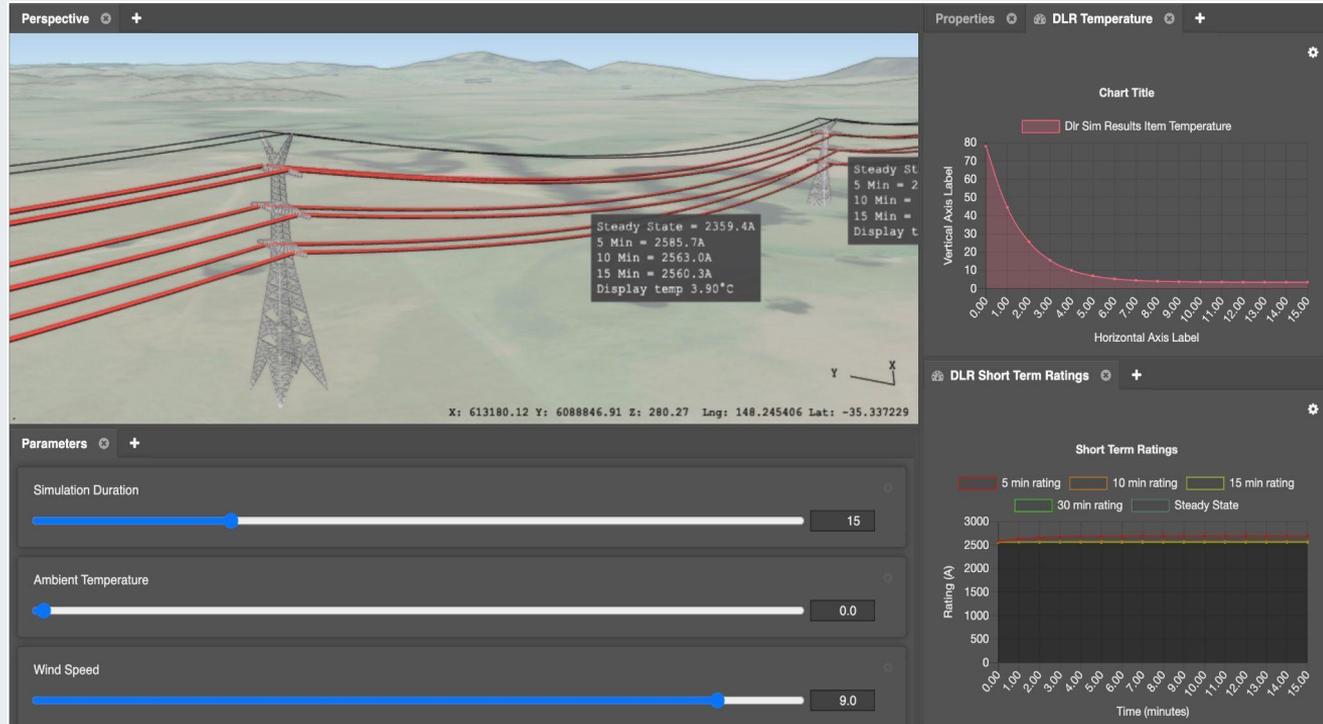
Building new transmission is **necessary but slow** – how can I **maximize the capacity of my existing network** to enable faster connection of renewables and decarbonization?

Solution

Use Neara to **perform dynamic line rating on your transmission network**, and identify the **maximum capacity** for various operating conditions.

Build an engineering-grade model of your transmission assets.

Integrate live weather or sensor data to refine your inputs.





Network Capacity Optimization: line rerating

Unlocking existing network capacity in distribution



Network
Capacity
Optimization

Problem

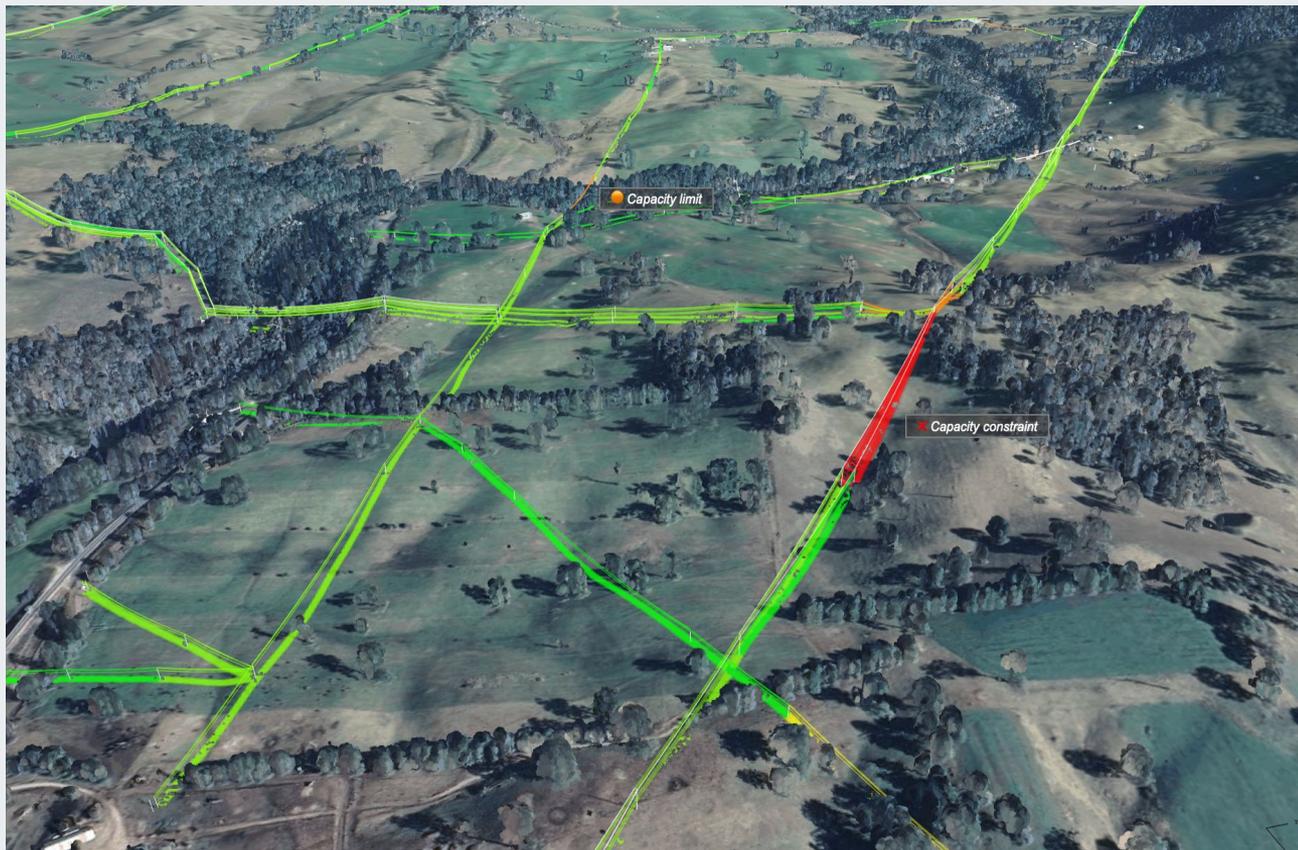
Network owners have to make **conservative assumptions** about the capacity of their networks which **prevents the connection of renewables**.

Solution

Use Neara to **unlock up to ~2x capacity** in the distribution network by performing line rerating at scale.

Understand the actual line ratings and limits span-by-span level.

Identify how much additional capacity you can safely unlock on your existing network with minimal or no capital spend.



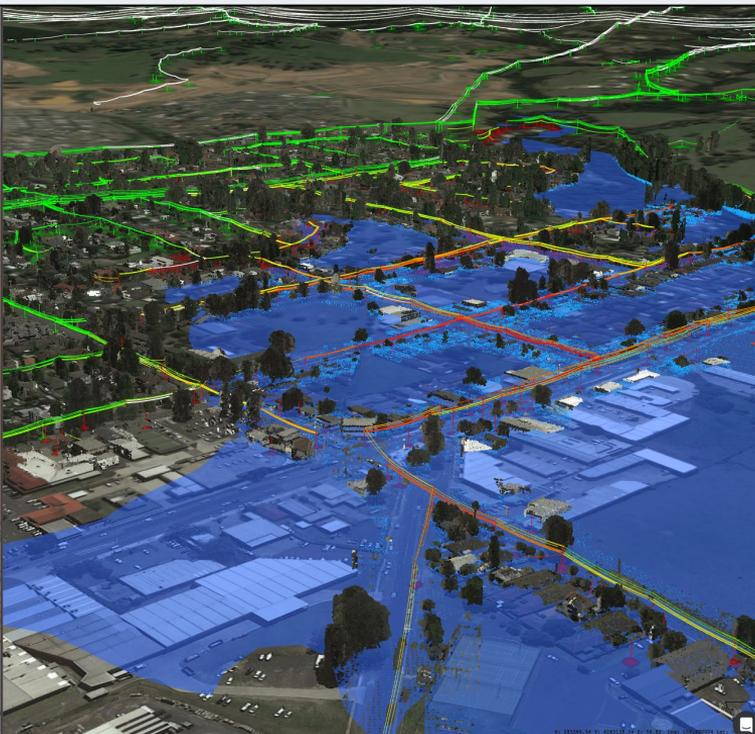
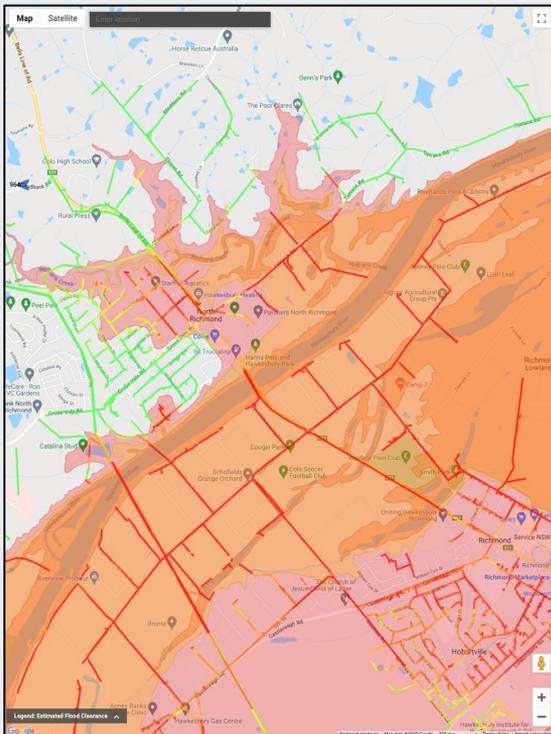


Weather Resilience and Grid Hardening: Flood Management

Supporting flood risk preparedness and response



Flood
Management



Problem

How do I efficiently respond to **extreme weather events** and protect both my assets and the community?

Solution

Simulate flood levels using predictions from BOM or live sensors.

Use Neara to calculate conductor clearance to live flood level.

Extrapolate to entire network to identify and prioritise risk and response.



3 - Decarbonisation: Transmission Design & Route Optimization

Accelerating transmission roll-out



Transmission
Design & Route
Optimization

Problem

Building new transmission is necessary **but is slow and complex** – how can I **accelerate the design and validation process** and **improve stakeholder engagement?**

Solution

Use Neara to **configure, design and optimize** new transmission projects, including running constraint analysis, compliance checks and route optimisation.

Provide an enhanced, visual digital model to support community engagement efforts.

Optimise design efficiency and reduce turnaround time for design iterations.

Perspective +

VTE (9.5°) Wind Weight Span Check

- Wind Span: ✓ 56.4% (479m/850m)
- Max Weight Span: ✓ 36.7% (403m/1100m)
- Min Weight Span: ✓ 403m/-600m
- Max Weight Span: ✓ 36.9% (406m/1100m)
- Min Weight Span: ✓ 406m/-600m

Legend: Circuit Name

- SUB_TRANS
- SC

TG - Tower Loading Check | TG - LTV Loads | Profile | TG - Ground Clearance | TG - Tower Details

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	Tower Type	Pole Canonical Deviation Angle (°)	Type	Assembly	Pass Wind Weight Span Check	Pass Text2	Pass Text	Fail Text	Height (m)
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See the **Neara platform in action** by visiting the links below

[Neara Platform: How It Works](#)

[Neara: Vegetation Management](#)

[Neara: Climate & Weather Resilience](#)

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