

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)

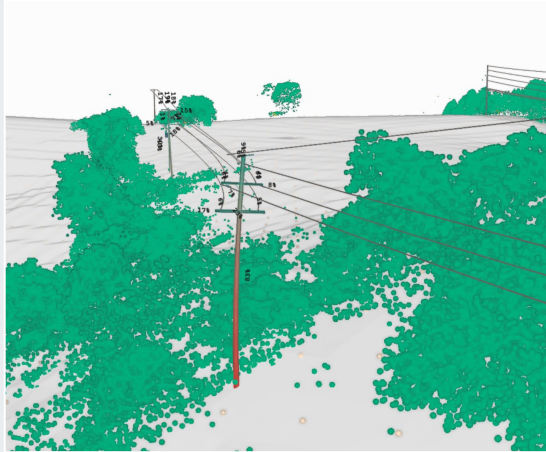
“ Daily Constraint Costs have risen to about **£62mn a day** totaling **£ 1,96bn GBP a year** in 2022

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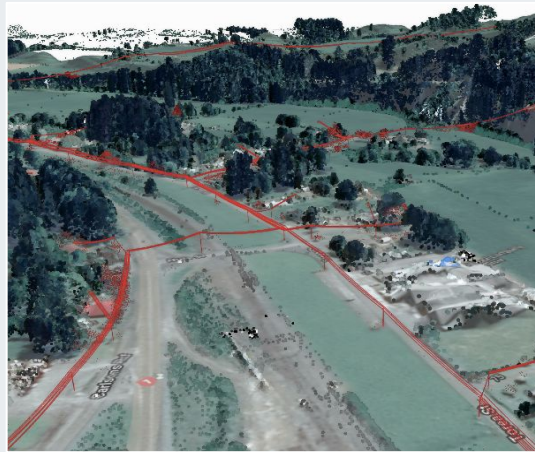


What is Neara?

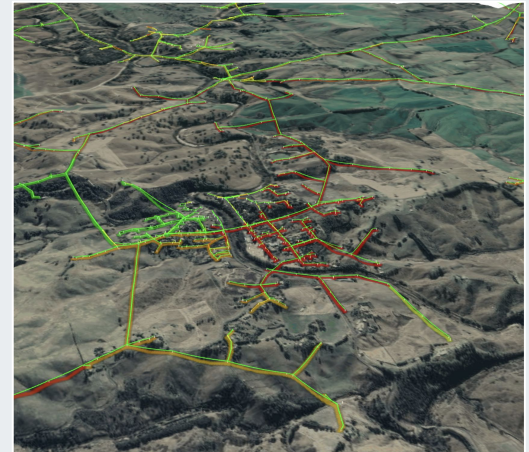
Neara is an enterprise SaaS platform that delivers a true digital model for utility networks, performing complex engineering-grade analysis, automatically, and at whole-of-network scale



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



Our credentials

Total network length under
management on Nera

930k
km

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

Total network area under
management on Nera

1.7m
square km

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

Total number of assets
under management on
Nera

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

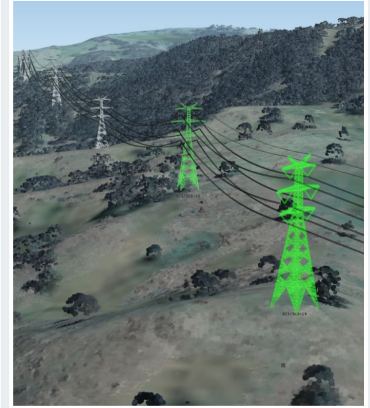
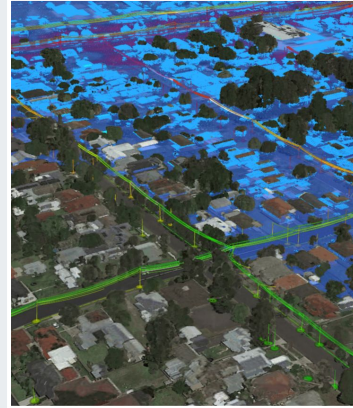
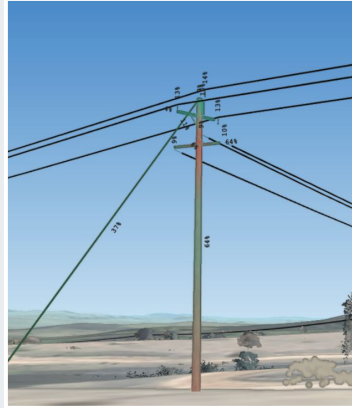
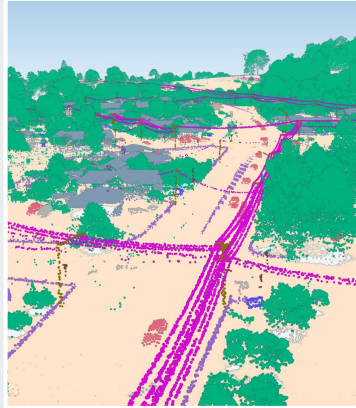


Transmission Design &
Optimization

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



Deep-dive: Network Capacity Optimization

Unlocking existing network capacity in distribution



Network
Capacity
Optimization

— **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

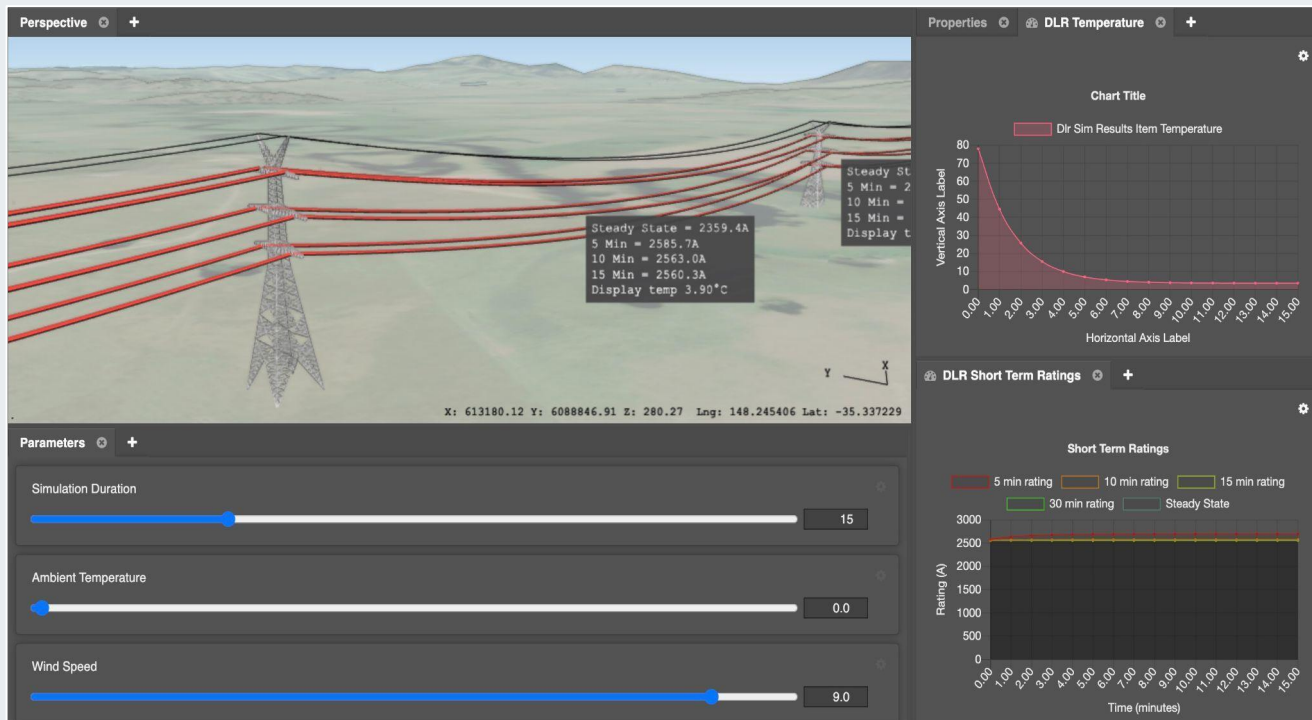
Building new transmission is **necessary but slow** – how can I **maximize the capacity of my existing network** to enable faster connection of renewables and decarbonization?

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.



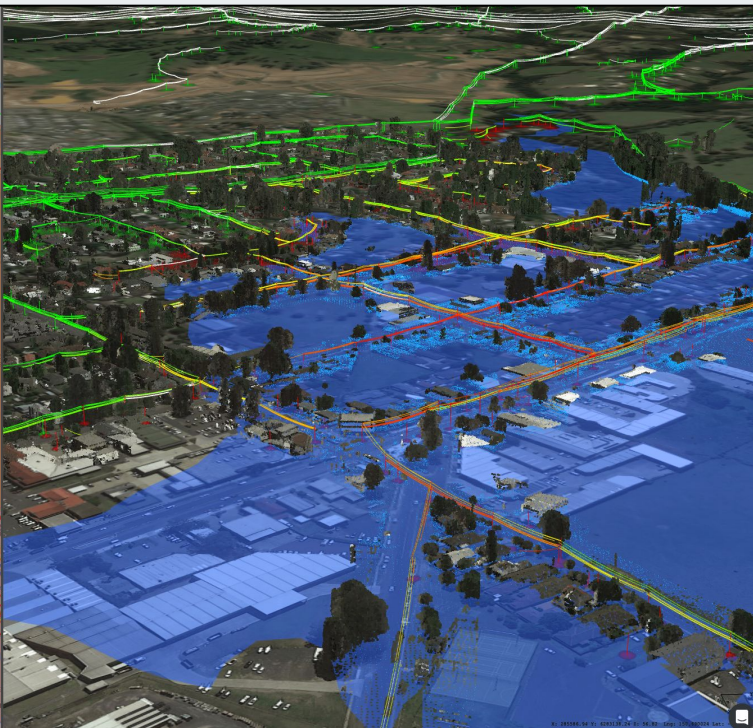
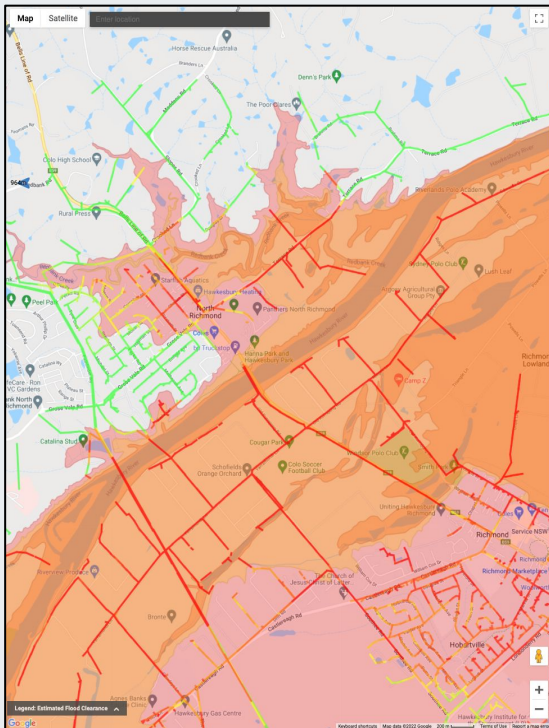


Weather Resilience and Grid Hardening: Flood Management

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

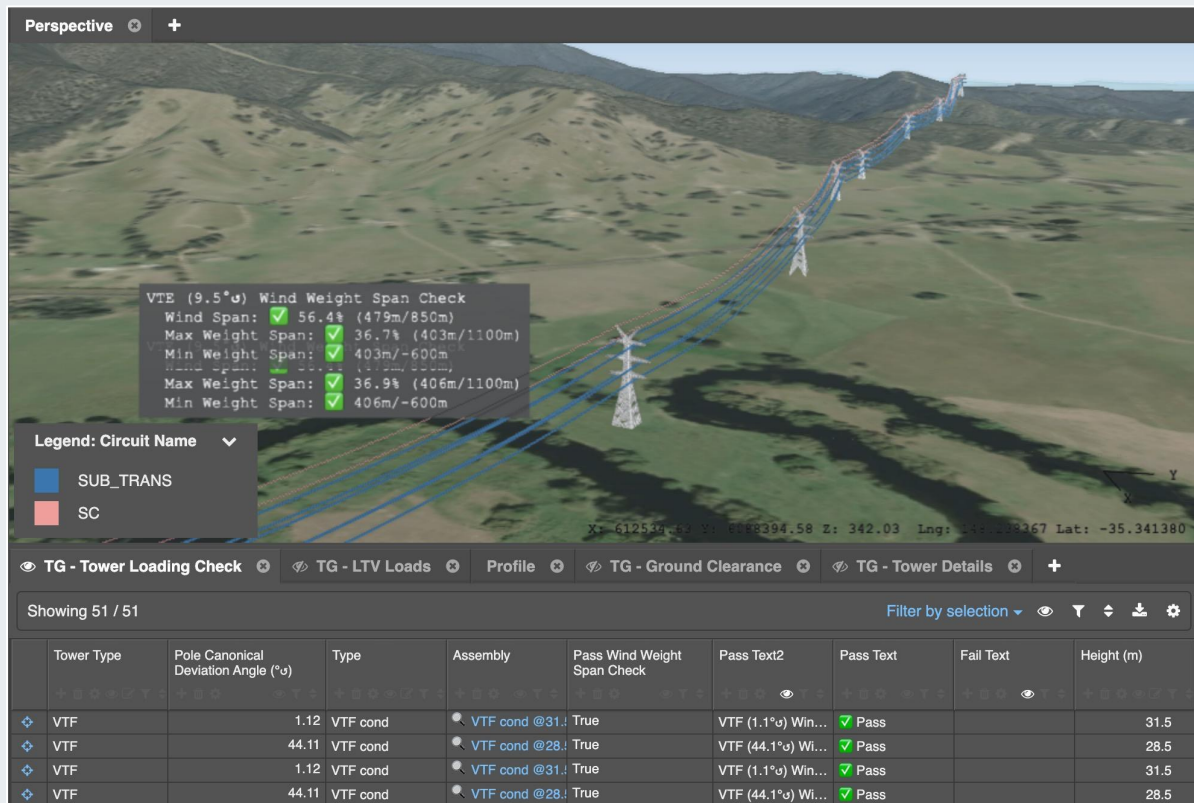
Building new transmission is necessary **but is slow and complex** – how can I **accelerate the design and validation process** and **improve stakeholder engagement?**

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.





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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