



Foel Trawsnant Grid Connection Drainage Statement

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INTRODUCTION

This Drainage Statement (hereafter referred to as the “Statement”) has been produced in support of the Foel Trawsnant Grid Connection Development of National Significance (DNS) Application (ref.: DNS CAS-02505-N3T6M4). This DNS Application was submitted to Planning and Environment Decisions Wales (PEDW) for formal review in August 2025 following the production of an Environmental Statement (ES), which included a chapter for Water Resources and Flood Risk.

The Statement is in response to an email request from PEDW in September 2025 whereby it was noted that all DNS applications must be accompanied by a Drainage Statement in line with the 2025 revision of the Technical Advice Note 15 (TAN 15).

STATEMENT ON DRAINAGE REQUIREMENTS

Following receipt of the Scoping Opinion and submission of the ES, it has been concluded that there will be no requirement for drainage provisions beyond the mitigation measures that will be implemented as part of a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP).

CONSTRUCTION PHASE

As stated in the CEMP, the appointed contractor will be responsible for implementing a suitable construction-phase drainage strategy and other pollution control measures. Existing roads and access tracks will be used to transport construction materials to and from the construction compound. Works will also be undertaken in accordance with Guidance for Pollution Prevention (GPP) documents.

Those conducting the works are required to understand the hydraulic connectivity of the Site, including watercourses and urban drainage networks, to ensure that work can be undertaken in such a way that minimises flood risk and pollution impacts.

OPERATIONAL PHASE

The majority of underground cabling will be installed within existing road corridors and areas of hardstanding. Pre-development surfaces, levels and drainage provisions will be re-instated following the completion of the works. For underground cabling installed in greenfield or open space areas, the overlying soils and vegetation will be reinstated as per existing with no additional drainage provision deemed to be required.

The overhead line will comprise single wooden poles in a linear alignment. No drainage measures would therefore be required. The small footprint of the poles will also have negligible effect on overland flow routes.



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No new permanent access tracks or other areas of hardstanding are proposed that would require drainage provision.

CONCLUSION

Regulation 7 states that the approval of the SAB is required where construction work over 100sqm is undertaken in connection with a building or structure if that building or structure will affect the ability of land to absorb rainwater. Therefore, whilst the FTN Project will involve construction over 100 sqm, the structure(s) it relates to will not affect the ability of land to absorb rainwater as no new areas of permanent hardstanding are being created. Therefore, it is the understanding of the applicant that SAB approval is not required. If this conclusion is not correct then of course SAB approval will be sought.