



PRIORITY

P1	MUST COMPLETE
P2	SHOULD COMPLETE
P3	MAY COMPLETE

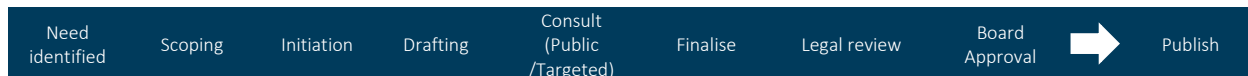
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BAU	ONGOING
Q1	JUNE
Q2	SEPT
Q3	DEC
Q4	MARCH

The Asset Management Group (AMG) works with the electricity supply industry and key stakeholders to coordinate, collaborate and develop consensus outcomes that continually improve asset management, planning, engineering practice, resilience and technical capability across Aotearoa New Zealand.

Connecting the Sector

As industry representatives, the AMG continues to promote best practice, facilitate knowledge sharing, and support capability uplift across the sector. The engagement activities below are designed to complement the technical work programme and strengthen alignment across industry and regulators.



Substation Design Forum A national forum focused on leading practice in substation design, resilience, digital engineering, and integration of emerging technologies.	P1	Q4
Asset Information Forum A forum dedicated to asset data, governance, digital tools and visibility requirements, supporting improved decision-making and regulatory alignment.	P1	Q1
Asset Management Forum The Asset Management Group (AMG) actively supports the EEA Conference and pre-conference workshops by providing industry insights, shaping discussions on asset management challenges, and contributing to knowledge-sharing	P1	Q1
Line Design Forum A targeted forum addressing overhead line design, materials innovation, standards alignment and digital design tools.	P1	Q1
EEA Engineering Conference – 2026 (Pre-Conference Workshop) AMG will lead delivery of at least one pre-conference technical workshop aligned with the AMG work programme (e.g. Connections, Asset Management or Digital). AMG will also contribute to shaping the broader technical stream.	P1	Q2

TECHNICAL BEST PRACTICE

The AMG publication development process will generally follow the below stages, with multiple workstreams running in parallel where appropriate.

The 2026–27 programme reflects a deliberate prioritisation of high-impact, nationally significant guidance.

<p>Streamlining Connections / Technical Connection Guidelines (LV, MV, HV – Tranche 2)</p> <p>Complete the LV Residential guideline, progress the MV guideline and initiate HV (Tranche 2). Integrate voltage management, export limits, commissioning processes and data requirements to support national consistency.</p> <p>Sub-workstream: Voltage Management & Export Limits (ELAM / BELAM)</p> <p>Consultant-led development of export limit methodologies in conjunction with EEA / ENA / EA. Outputs will be embedded within, or referenced by, the Technical Connection Guidelines.</p>	P1	Q1–Q3
<p>Asset Management “Package” Consolidation</p> <p>Consolidate and modernise key asset management guidance (AM Guide, Asset Criticality, Asset Health Indicators, AIMF, AM Maturity Tool) into a new single guide structured framework aligned with ISO 55000.</p>	P1	Q1–Q3
<p>Asset Information, Data Governance & Digital</p> <p>Develop a new Asset Information Maturity Framework and develop initial Common Data Model guidance (focus: connections & DER). Define sector data governance principles aligned with visibility reforms.</p>	P1	Q2–Q3
<p>Arc Flash Guide (Safety Modernisation)</p> <p>Undertake a full technical update of the Arc Flash Guide to reflect modern standards and safety practice.</p>	P1	Q2–Q3
<p>HV SWER Systems Guide</p> <p>Light but necessary update to ensure continued technical relevance.</p>	P2	Q3
<p>Risk-Based Vegetation Management Guide</p> <p>Update to reflect new regulatory changes, and update climate risk considerations and improved risk-based methodologies.</p>	P2	Q2–Q3
<p>Line Design Working Group Outputs</p> <p>Develop guidance on crossarm specifications (timber & composite), composite pole application, and alignment with AS/NZS 7000 and digital design practices.</p>	P1	Q1–Q4
<p>Security of Supply in NZ Networks (Scoping Phase)</p> <p>Undertake scoping and concept development, with full redevelopment staged beyond 2027.</p>	P2	Q3–Q4

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Industry Submissions	P1	BAU
Provide structured technical input into EEA submissions to ensure positions are technically robust, evidence-based and aligned with AMG guidance.		
Targeted Research (as/if required)	P3	BAU
Undertake targeted research aligned with AMG priorities and emerging industry needs. No broad or unfocused research programmes will be initiated.		

EXTERNALLY FUNDED PROJECTS

Regulator-Aligned Projects (as agreed)	P1	As required
Deliver externally funded projects aligned with AMG priorities, where supported by clear scope and governance arrangements.		
FlexTalk	P1	BAU
The AMG group will continue to provide technical input on the FlexTalk project, ensuring alignment with industry needs and best practices.		

RELATIONSHIP MANAGEMENT

EEA Internal – Other Standing Committees		BAU
SSPG, NCLW, PSWG and CDG on an as-required basis in relation to work undertaken that is of mutual interest.		
External		BAU
The AMG will maintain ongoing engagement with the Electricity Authority to ensure alignment, avoids duplication and strengthens national consistency.		

AMG Meetings 2026/27

1	9 th April 2026	Online
2	25 th June 2026	Face to Face
3	20 th August 2026	Online
4	22 nd September 2026	Face to Face (during EEA 2026)
5	26 th November 2026	Online
6	11 th February 2027	Face to Face