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Yes thanks I can see that in the document. Works well  
Cheers  
Robert

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Hi Robert, I've just added this in – see new para 10.4.  
regards  
Stephen

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Hi Stephen – you can go into the ToR for the rural study any time you like as it is a shared document – maybe you could add a few words along the lines you suggested ie number of connections etc as I've deleted the competition issues and state of competition from paras 10.1 & 10.6

Cheers  
Robert

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hi Robert – I've added a couple of other minor comments in red into Elisabeth's email below.




Stephen


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Hi again.



I spoke briefly to Brendan about this, earlier this morning, and we seem to be on the same page.



Stephen

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hi Robert.

Thanks for sending through the email chain. Could you also send through the TOR version that was sent to Commissioners so we can see which paras the comments refer to?

Stephen

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Hi Stephen and Daniel

I see you are missing from this thread, but it directly affects you. I've been sick today but hopefully we can catch up tomorrow. If there are any more of Elisabeth's comments, I'll get them to you guys first thing in the morning

Cheers  
Robert

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Happy to discuss.

Kind regards

Elisabeth

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Thanks Nathan for you comments – we'll look to address those.

No worries Elisabeth, I can work with Tristan to tweak the wording in the symposium speech. Our back up date for publishing the ToR is 22 May, which would mean finalising the document by 19 May. Do you think you'll be able to get us your feedback by mid next week?

Ngā mihi

Ben



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Thanks Ben and team for sending this through.

Kind regards  
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Thanks Ben and team

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Kia ora Commissioners

Here is an updated version of the Rural Connectivity Study Terms of Reference, following feedback from Division last week.

As agreed at Division, we will work with Tristan to finalise this document before publishing it on (or just after) 17 May.

Please let me know if you are happy with the changes, or if there is any other feedback you'd like us to consider when finalising it. It would be great if you could do this by **COB Thursday** so that we can lock down the TOR and the corresponding media release before the end of the week.

Key changes we made (tracked in the doc):

- Made the link to our routine monitoring (specifically the Annual Monitoring Report) stronger.
- Softened the link to the 69AH copper review – we have done this by putting it at the bottom of the list of things it will inform, and made it clearer that review is a separate process.
- Included capital investment in rural services in the scope of the study.

Ngā mihi  
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