

The selection of suitable times and conditions to undertake the subjective evaluations should be made to cover both:

- a. A range of typical operating conditions, and
- b. a targeted set of conditions when SACs are more likely to occur. (e.g. night-time, high wind shear, evaluation of complaints register, etc.)

Given AECOMs adopted methodology includes only 5 attended observations of approximately 10 minutes duration it is unlikely that either of the above will be adequately covered.

Without the above information the AECOM SAC assessment:

- is unlikely to adequately evaluate or quantify the presence of SACs; and
- lacks transparency.

Therefore, the veracity of the conclusion cannot be independently verified.

Subjective assessments of V16A have also not been considered due to the change in ownership status and X21A was unavailable due to landowner consent. As previously discussed, the north north-east receptors cannot be verified to comply with the SAC assessment requirements from NZS:6808:1998 without any form of assessment to these locations. Furthermore, the restriction of access to X21A does not preclude an alternative SAC assessment location be selected to cover off other receptors to the east.