

## Hi-Rail Operator Protective Structures Expectations

These notes supplement OM94001 Issue 1, "*Hi-Rail Vehicles for use on the Controlled Network*" pending updating of that code and apply to newly hi-railed vehicles.

It is a general expectation that excavators and other vehicles at risk of tipping while hi-railed are fitted with an appropriate operator protective structure (ROP's etc). This also applies to vehicles capable of swivelling and dumping.

Manufacturers and operators of hi-railed equipment are advised to discuss requirements for OPS with KiwiRail Network (ONTRACK) before commencing manufacture.

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