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# **VISTA** Boat of Garten to Nethy Bridge

Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks (SSEN), operating as Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission plc under licence, is responsible for maintaining and investing in the electricity transmission network in the north of Scotland.



#### The overhead steel tower line which runs between Boat of Garten substation and Nethy Bridge was constructed between 1936 and 1950 and is operated at 132,000 volts.

To play a part in conserving Scotland's designated landscapes, SHE Transmission sought to access a proportion of a £500m fund that is administered by the electricity industry regulator Ofgem.

As part of the SHE Transmission VISTA (Visual Impact of Scottish Transmission Assets) initiative, we will be installing a 132kV twin cable section of the existing 132kV double overhead line circuit between Beauly and Boat of Garten.

#### Boat of Garten

The Boat of Garten section will look to remove overhead line infrastructure north of Boat of Garten and install approximately 4km of underground cable between Docharn and Boat of Garten substation.

#### Nethy Bridge

The Nethy Bridge section will look to remove overhead line infrastructure north of Nethy Bridge and install approximately 7km of underground cable between Boat of Garten substation and the edge of forestry near Castle Roy.



The line from Boat of Garten to Farr was originally constructed in 1950

The line from Boat of Garten - Glenfarclas - Keith was originally constructed in 1936

### **Programme of Activity**

The project has been active since Summer 2019 and is expected to finish by December 2020.

The main activities and timescales are detailed below. Please note that dates are subject to change. Cable Route Fencing & Accesses (Nethy Bridge)

> Jan 2020 to Mar 2020

Trench & Duct Installation (Boat of Garten)

> Jul 2019 to Nov 2019

Trench & Duct Installation (Nethy Bridge)

> Feb 2020 to Jul 2020

Cable Installation (Boat of Garten)

> Jul 2019 to Apr 2020

## Cable Installation (Nethy Bridge)

Apr 2020 to Jul 2020 Re-instatement & OHL Dismantle (Boat of Garten)

Jan 2020 to May 2020 Re-instatement & OHL Dismantle (Nethy Bridge)

> Jun 2020 to Nov 2020