



# Cabinet Economic Development Committee

## Minute of Decision

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### Southern Positioning Augmentation Network: May 2023 Report

**Portfolio**                      **Land Information**

On 31 May 2023, the Cabinet Economic Development Committee:

- 1        **noted** that the Southern Positioning Augmentation Network (SouthPAN) is an initiative to deliver a satellite-based augmentation system to Australasia, in partnership with Geoscience Australia;
- 2        **noted** that the development of SouthPAN infrastructure is underway, and that services will be improved over time, with full operating capability to be delivered in late 2028;
- 3        **noted** that Geoscience Australia has formally awarded the contract for the first satellite payload with Land Information New Zealand's (LINZ) endorsement, and that Geoscience Australia will shortly begin procurement for the second satellite payload;
- 4        **noted** that delays negotiating the first satellite payload contract have not affected the overall delivery of critical SouthPAN milestones, which are on track and within LINZ's budget for SouthPAN;
- 5        **noted** that cost escalation and other key risks are being actively managed;

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Sam Moffett  
Committee Secretary

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**Present: (see over)**

**Present:**

Hon Grant Robertson (Chair)  
Hon Dr Megan Woods  
Hon Michael Wood  
Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall  
Hon Willie Jackson  
Hon Kiri Allan  
Hon Damien O'Connor  
Hon David Parker  
Hon Priyanca Radhakrishnan  
Hon Kieran McAnulty  
Hon Barbara Edmonds  
Hon Dr Duncan Webb  
Hon Rino Tirikatene  
Hon Dr Deborah Russell  
Hon Rachel Brooking  
Hon Jo Luxton

**Officials present from:**

Office of the Prime Minister  
Officials Committee for DEV