

Project EnergyConnect Construction Update

February 2023

Construction Activity

We are writing to update you on Project EnergyConnect, Australia's largest transmission project. The project will connect the electrical grids of New South Wales, South Australia and Victoria, improving reliability of our nation's energy supply.

SecureEnergy has been contracted by Transgrid to deliver part of EnergyConnect with the construction of 700km of new power lines from the SA border to the regional energy hub of Wagga Wagga (refer Image 1). The project is due to be completed by early 2025.

As part of EnergyConnect we will be constructing a worker accommodation camp at the corner of County Boundary Road, and Lockhart Collingullie Road, Lockhart which will house our workers during main construction activities. Before we can commence building the workers' accommodation at Lockhart, there are a few activities that need to be completed first.

Construction of the access point for Lockhart camp is scheduled to commence late February 2023 with clearing and grubbing activities of the camp site to follow.

Occupancy of the Lockhart camp in expected in May 2023. The camp will accommodate 240 project team members.

Enabling works

Enabling works are low-impact, pre-construction activities that enable the main construction activities to commence.

Construction of the access point for the Lockhart camp will include establishing vehicle access and egress points to ensure safe vehicle movements.

Our crews will be working daily as required, Monday to Sunday 7am to 7pm in approved Out of Hours Work.

You can expect to see our crews using equipment such as a grader, excavator, rollers, water truck and tipper trucks while they construct the access point into the camp site.

Approved roads

Our crews will be using the approved roads to carry out any works. Please see the list below.

State roads

Sturt Highway

Regional roads

- The Rock-Collinguilie Road
- East Street



- Reid Street
- Urana-Lockhart Road
- Brookong Creek Road

Local roads

- Bullenburg Road, The Rock
- County Boundary Road

Please take care when using these roads and be alert to construction traffic.

Water Point Access

We will also be accessing water during the construction of the access point. Our team will be using the existing water fill point located at East Street and Lockhart the Rock Road (Refer Image 2).

The establishment and use of water supply points are required early in the overall construction program to support road upgrades and pre-construction minor works, and to facilitate the commencement of substantial construction.

All work will be carried out in line with the project's Conditions of Approval and Construction Environmental Plan.

How we manage our work

The Project Team will use machinery that generates noise, light and vibration. To manage this work, we will:

- Minimise the number of plant/vehicles to be used
- All plant/vehicles to be maintained and serviced
- Machinery will be turned off when not in use
- All works will be undertaken during dayshift hours however if lighting is required, direct temporary lighting down and away from residents
- Fit equipment with devices to minimise noise, particularly reversing squawkers
- Monitor noise so we can manage any potential impacts and adjust our work as required.

Keeping you informed

We thank you for your patience and understanding during these construction activities.

Please feel free to contact us by phone 1800 49 06 66 or email <u>community@secureenergyjv.com.au</u> or logon to <u>www.transgrid.com.au/energyconnect</u> for further information about the project.





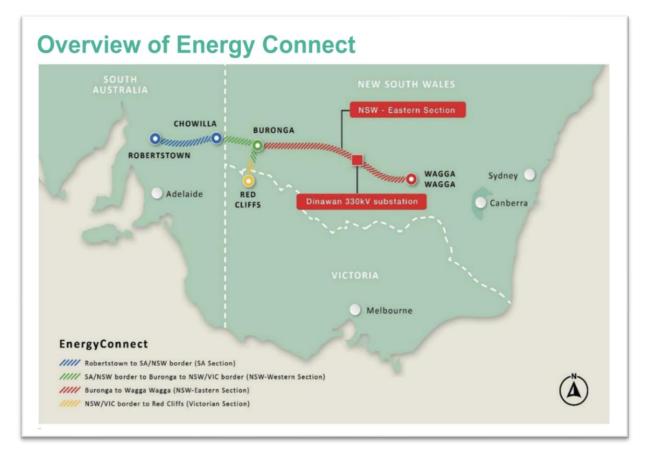


Image 1: EnergyConnect map of the alignment







Image 2: The water fill point in East Street, Lockhart

