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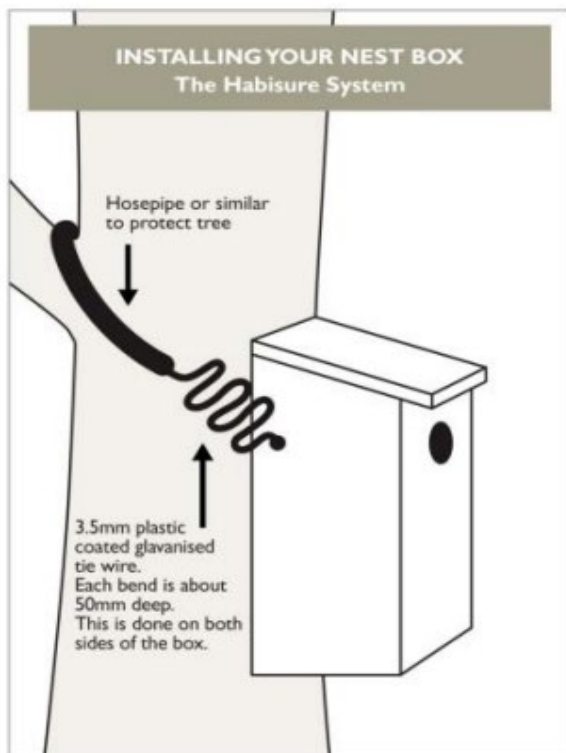
Supplementary Hollow and Nest Strategy

2025

Elecnor Australia (formerly 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. The project will connect the electrical grids of New South Wales, South Australia, and Victoria, improving reliability of our nation's energy supply.

Supplementary Hollow and Nest Strategy

- EnergyConnect is currently rolling out a nest box strategy across the construction corridor as a key initiative to support local wildlife affected by vegetation removal. These boxes provide essential shelter and breeding sites for various species, helping to maintain and enhance biodiversity in the area.
- The Supplementary Hollow and Nest Strategy forms part of the Biodiversity Management Plan for Stage 2 of Project EnergyConnect.
- The objective of this Strategy is to assist in mitigating the impacts of clearing required for the project by identifying target species and prescribing the necessary processes required to install and manage nest boxes for threatened species.
- These nest boxes will provide alternative roosting habitat for threatened fauna such as Squirrel Gliders displaced during clearing in accordance with the Strategy.



Nest Box Installation

- Appropriately sized nest boxes will be installed within the vicinity of hollow-bearing trees on and adjacent to the easement.
- The number and type of nest boxes to be installed will be determined based on the surveys undertaken by the project ecologist.
- The ecologists will also be on site during installation, providing guidance on the best placement of each box.
- As much as possible, nest boxes will be installed within the project easement. Any boxes installed adjacent to the easement will only be installed subject to landholder approval and suitable existing trees being present.
- *We're applying The Habisure system® which is a wiring method that is non-invasive to the host tree and allows it to grow approximately 800mm in circumference.*



Monitoring

Project ecologists will monitor the nest boxes periodically over five years to assess their use and any breeding success. The condition of the nest boxes will also be reviewed during this monitoring to determine if any maintenance is required.

Contact Us

Please contact your dedicated Land Access Officer to ask any questions about nest boxes.

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- **Community Stakeholder Engagement Team:** 1800 49 06 66 (Free call)

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Elecnor Australia is committed to working with landowners and communities through the construction of EnergyConnect.

There are several ways to contact the project team. Contact the Project Community and Stakeholder Engagement Team on:

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