

Orange North Redevelopment Project

COMMUNITY UPDATE



TransGrid

This community update is one way TransGrid will inform you about the Orange North Redevelopment Project. You can also find out information by visiting TransGrid's website, phoning the information hotline and via updates in the local media.

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The Orange North Redevelopment Project is a \$57 million investment to secure power supply in the Central West Region and Orange City for the future. This project is just one part of a five year, \$2.4 billion plan by TransGrid to upgrade the electricity transmission network across New South Wales.

Who is TransGrid?

TransGrid is the owner, operator and manager of the New South Wales high voltage transmission network. It is TransGrid's job to ensure the safe and reliable delivery of electricity around New South Wales. TransGrid's 12,500 kilometres of transmission line connect, generators, like power stations and wind farms, to distributors like Country Energy.

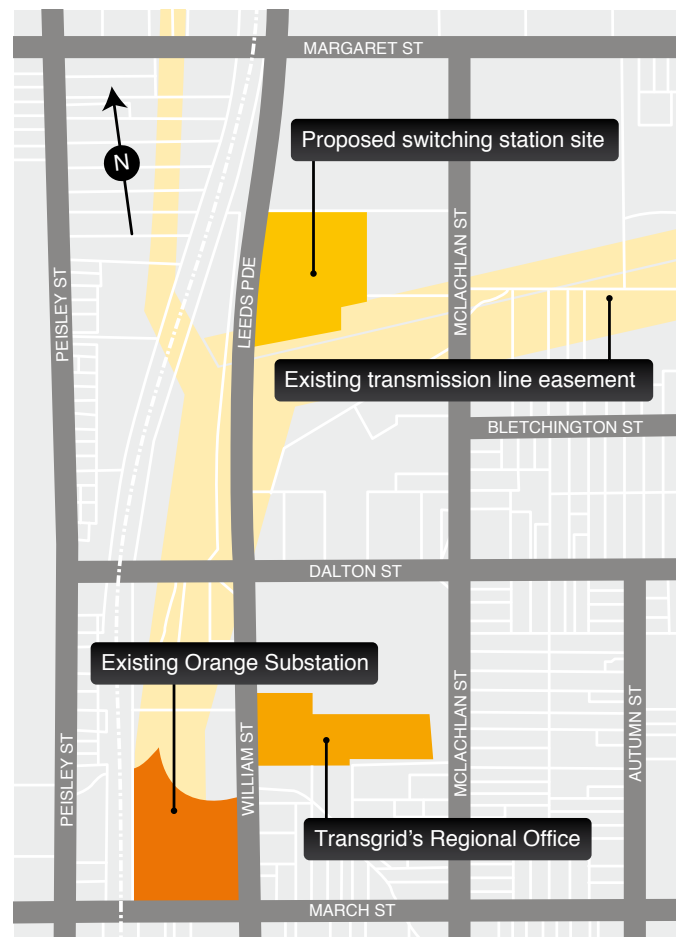
About the proposal

The Orange Substation is now over 50 years old and the substation site is too small to complete all the necessary upgrades. A new switching station will be built as part of a larger redevelopment project for the region's power supply.

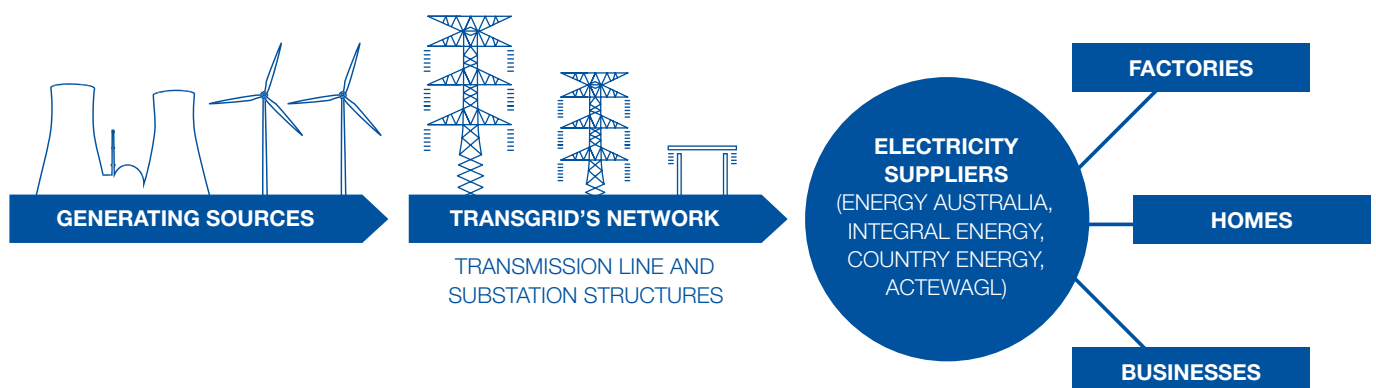
The project involves:

- Building the new switching station on Leeds Parade
- Rearranging the transmission lines to connect the switching station to the existing network
- Upgrade works at the existing Orange substation on William Street.

The switching station and transmission line works are due for completion by late 2011 and the substation upgrade by mid 2013.



Location of the switching station and substation sites.





View of the proposed switching station and transmission lines from Dalton Street



View of the proposed switching station from Leeds Parade

Where are we up to?

A Review of Environmental Factors (REF) has been prepared to assess the potential environmental impacts of the project. The review covers land use, noise, hours of work, traffic and access, flood levels, Flora and Fauna, cultural heritage, visual amenity and landscape, geology and soils, and electric and magnetic fields. Impacts such as noise, traffic, air and water quality are mostly limited to the construction phase. These would be managed through a Construction Environmental Management Plan.

Public display

The REF is now on public display. TransGrid invites you to review and comment on the REF. A full version of the REF can be downloaded from www.transgrid.com.au/orangenorth or on CD by request.

TransGrid will also display the REF in the Orange office until 22 January 2010.

Orange Regional Office

64-84 William Street, Orange.

Opening hours: Monday to Friday 8am – 4pm

Office will be closed over the Christmas / New Year period from 24 December to 3 January 2010.

Have your say

If you cannot attend TransGrid offices, you can still have your say. Submissions will be accepted until 4pm 22 January 2010. All submissions will be considered.

Please send your submission to the address below or download a feedback form from the website.

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