

Welcome to the December EnergyConnect newsletter. In this edition:

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Thank you

Our team recently hosted community drop-in sessions in Jerilderie, Wagga Wagga, Urana, Lockhart, Booroorban, Balranald and Mourquong. Thank you to everyone who came along to ask questions, share feedback,

and learn more about the project.

It was great to meet face-to-face again, and we appreciate you taking the time to drop in.

A special thanks to the fantastic team at <u>Can Assist Balranald</u> for joining us and hosting a bake sale. We look forward to partnering again on our next visit!



NSW-Eastern Section update

We are in the final stages of preparing our Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the NSW-Eastern Section of EnergyConnect.

Our intention is to lodge the EIS with the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) in early 2022. DPIE will then place the EIS on public exhibition for a minimum of four weeks.

We encourage all community members, stakeholders and government agencies to have their say by making a submission. Community information sessions will be held during the public exhibition period. These sessions will

be advertised on our website, via social media and in local newspapers across the project area.

If you would like to receive notifications about the EIS lodgement and exhibition, please register by visiting the DPIE project page, clicking the blue 'Notify me' button and entering your details.

Register for notifications



SecureEnergy, Transgrid and community representatives in Wentworth

A focus on Wentworth

Transgrid is committed to delivering economic benefits in the communities where we work.

One way we do this is by activating local supply chains, employing people from the region, and enhancing skills that can be used on our projects and provide value in local communities.

On Thursday, 2 December our delivery partner for EnergyConnect,

SecureEnergy (SEJV), hosted a Business and

Employment Forum in Wentworth, in southwestern NSW.

More than 60 local suppliers and businesses in the area participated in the forum, where SEJV Project Director David Whatmough discussed upcoming EnergyConnect work packages and employment opportunities. Attendees also met with representatives of major subcontractors who spoke about the emerging opportunities for regional workers, suppliers and communities.

In other Wentworth news, SecureEnergy is preparing to undertake cultural heritage surveys this month in the local area where project works are planned. Registered Aboriginal Parties will work on-site with archaeologists.



New job opportunities in regional NSW

At Transgrid, our work improves the lives of millions – from lighting up sports fields, schools and homes, to powering the wheels of commerce and everything else in between.

Now it could be your turn to make it happen - we're hiring for multiple roles across regional NSW. Opportunities on offer include these based in Wagga

Wagga:

- EnergyConnect Site Manager closing 13 December 2021
 - <u>Substation technicians</u> closing 9 January 2022
 - <u>Transmission line technicians</u> closing 9 January 2022

More roles are available in other regional locations.

Find out more and apply



Transgrid and CSU power up partnership

We have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Charles Sturt University (CSU) as part of our commitment to delivering tangible, valued and lona-lasting benefits to the communities in which we work. Under the MoU, Transgrid and CSU will develop opportunities for regional students and First Nations people to undertake training, education and research projects — ultimately supporting local and regional jobs. The partnership will support the local workforce needed for a clean energy future. The shift to clean energy will bring new jobs, many in regional NSW. Our thanks to CSU for sharing our vision, and to Wagga Wagga City Council for its support to growing education and employment opportunities in the region.

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