



## **April 2023**

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# **Delivering critical energy infrastructure**

Transgrid is getting on with the job of delivering the critical infrastructure needed to provide Australian households and businesses with cheaper, more reliable and sustainable energy. We are proud to see the first towers rise on the \$1.8 billion EnergyConnect project which will form a major part of the energy superhighway to accelerate the nation's clean energy future.



#### Massive operation for Buronga concrete pour

Our latest timelapse footage from Buronga captures the massive logistical effort required to pour 850 cubic metres of concrete during a complex 11-hour operation. Fifteen concrete trucks and about 50 workers were involved in the pour for the foundations for two synchronous condensers which will sit at the heart of the expanded substation. It will be a hub for energy-sharing between three states.

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## Camp works begin for eastern project alignment

Our EnergyConnect construction partner SecureEnergy has started work on a 20-hectare camp near Lockhart to accommodate hundreds of workers who will soon start building the eastern alignment of the project. Six camps are being established along the project route to ease pressure on limited housing and accommodation in local communities; reduce travel to and from construction sites; and ensure the health and wellbeing of workers with quality living amenities.

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## Preserving Indigenous heritage and culture

Transgrid is committed to respecting the Indigenous history of the lands in which we operate. We are at the final stage of our Cultural Heritage Assessment on EnergyConnect's western alignment as part of our work to preserve Indigenous cultural items and sites.

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# Hooked on supporting local communities

We're supporting not-for-profit groups across the region to help make their communities a better place to live. The Riverina Classic Catch and Release Fishing Competition was among 48 groups to receive a grant under our Community Partnerships Program in 2022. This year's event drew a record number of entrants with 781 keen anglers trying their luck and Transgrid's funding providing official brag mats for the first time.

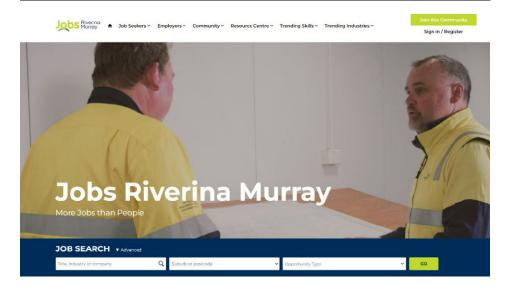
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## **Project business roadshow visits Lockhart**

A big thank you to all the local businesses who attended the recent SecureEnergy Business and Employment Forum in Lockhart. There was high interest from local suppliers looking for opportunities to supply goods and services or tender for work packages. Local job opportunities on the project were also discussed. It was a great opportunity for the EnergyConnect team to meet with both businesses and residents.





## **Supporting employment in Riverina and Murray**

Regional Development Australia Riverina and Murray have launched a new employment website - Jobs Riverina Murray. The website aims to boost the local jobs market and support economic growth by connecting job seekers with local businesses in the two regions. Funded by Transgrid and RDA Riverina's \$1.5 million Workforce Development Strategic Partnership the site is an information hub for job vacancies, trending industries and skills, job search tips and more.

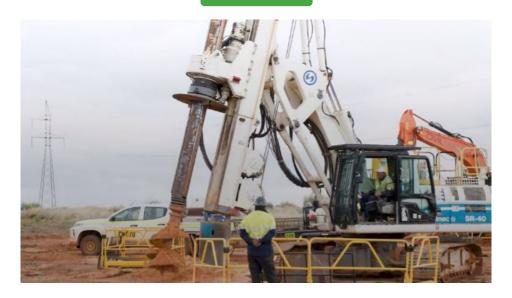
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#### Look up and Live around powerlines

Transgrid has launched a comprehensive awareness campaign to increase safety for regional communities around its 13,000km transmission network. The Look up and Live campaign is targeted at business owners, agricultural and construction workers, and machinery operators working around transmission lines, poles and towers.

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## Keep up to date on construction activity

Stay up to date with EnergyConnect construction notifications for your area by visiting the EnergyConnect project portal of our construction partner SecureEnergy.

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