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Monthly Construction Update

November 2026

Upcoming construction on HumeLink East

As we approach the end of the year, HumeLink East is marking significant milestones across the project alignment, with construction of access tracks, tower pads and access points nearing completion. Work is progressing well in Tumut, Wyangle and Killimicat (Snowy Valleys Council) with more than 90% of tower pads now completed. Tower assembly and erection is continuing between Bannaby and Wondalga, with more than 180 towers completed to date. The project is on track to reach the halfway point of tower construction by the end of 2026.

Construction during November 2026 includes:

- **Bannaby:** testing of high-voltage equipment at the Bannaby substation ahead of commissioning in December. Helicopter stringing activities will also start in the area from late November.
- **Bannaby to Wondalga:** assembly and erection of transmission towers at multiple sites, with more than 180 towers now completed along the project alignment.
- **Bannaby to Tumut:** ongoing construction of access tracks, access points, tower pads and break-and-winch pads along the full alignment, with more than 270 kilometres of access tracks now completed.
- **Broadway, Bango:** installing bird diverters and aerial markers on completed conductor spans.
- **Killimicat and Brungle Creek:** civil works on properties off Brungle Road, Cockatoo Road and Brungle Creek Road.
- **Childowla:** strengthening works to be undertaken at night on Childowla Road Bridge from mid-November.



Stringing underway in Dalton, using ground-based stringing methods.

What to expect

- **Construction activities:** use of excavators, cranes, piling rigs and other heavy machinery for access points, clearing, earthworks, piling and tower erection, as well as trucks delivering equipment and materials.
- **Work hours:** construction works take place during daylight hours:
    - Monday to Friday: 7am to 6pm
    - Saturday: 8am to 1pm
    - Out of hours work: landowners notified beforehand.
- **Work may be noisy at times:** we will do everything we can to minimise any impacts, such as turning off equipment and vehicles when they are not being used.
- **Traffic and environment:** increase in HumeLink East vehicles, steel delivery and concrete trucks on local roads.

Managing bushfire risk

Bushfire risk is managed in accordance with the project's Bushfire Emergency Management and Evacuation Plan. Weather conditions and fire danger ratings are monitored daily, with work activities adjusted or suspended as required.

The project implements fire prevention, preparedness and response measures consistent with NSW Rural Fire Service guidance, including trained personnel, on-site firefighting equipment, vehicle-mounted fire kits on site vehicles, and dedicated water supplies at compounds and facilities. The project also maintains ongoing liaison with relevant emergency services throughout the bushfire season.

Early summer splash in Yass

An early summer splash is now on the cards to help residents and visitors cool down in Yass. Thanks in part to funding from the HumeLink Community Investment and Benefits Program, the Yass Memorial Swimming Pool has been able to open early for the swimming season.

The Yass Swimming Club received a grant to install new shade structures with solar panels at the pool which are expected to generate savings of $10,000 a year. The solar panels, which are now in place, will generate clean energy to offset the cost of heating the pool.

Club President Hugh Rainger said: "This grant from HumeLink funded shade sails along the side of the pool with solar panels on top which will now help offset the cost of the heaters to run the pool.

"This will make a huge difference as it will help extend our season for a month at the front end of the season and a month at the end, so the community will be able to swim for an extra eight weeks of the year," he said.

Yass Valley Council has approved a trial to extend the Yass Memorial Swimming Pool's season and hours for the 2026-27 season following recent heating upgrades.





Yass Swimming Pool new shade structures with solar panels.

Contact us

We'll continue to keep you updated and let you know of any work we're planning which might impact you.

If you have questions or concerns about any of the above, please contact our Community and Stakeholder Engagement team on 1800 317 367 or by emailing humelink@transgrid.com.au

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