

Monthly Construction Update May 2026

Upcoming construction on HumeLink East

The next phase of construction on HumeLink East is set to start in May, with the project using helicopters to string pilot cable between transmission towers. Transmission tower stringing will begin in Adjunbilly in mid to late May. This marks a major milestone on HumeLink East and signals the next phase of construction on the project.

Along the southern and central areas of the alignment, tower assembly and erection is continuing with more than 45 towers now erected in Adjunbilly, Gurrundah, Tumut and Gunning. Construction of access tracks, access points, tower pads and brake-and-winch pads is also continuing along the full length of the alignment.

Construction during May 2026 includes:

- **Adjunbilly, Gunning, Gurrundah and Bannister:** Continued delivery of temporary hurdle structures, that are installed to protect existing infrastructure such as roads, railways and powerlines during the stringing process.
- **Adjunbilly-Tumut region:** Ongoing tower assembly and tower erection, with the interface tower with Humelink West currently under construction. Stringing of pilot cable followed by conductor for transmission towers is set to begin in Adjunbilly in May.
- **Dalton, Gurrundah, Tumut, Bannaby, Adjunbilly and Windowie:** Drilling of foundations continuing, with more than 100 foundations now completed for tower sites.
- **Bannaby:** Delivery and installation of a shunt reactor at Bannaby substation.
- **Bookham:** Controlled blasting will be undertaken near Clancys Road, Black Range Road, Childowla Road and Talmo Road to prepare sites for tower foundations and brake and winch pads. This work is required where the ground is too hard to excavate with standard equipment, and is carefully managed in line with approvals.



Bannaby substation works (left) and tower under construction (right)

What to expect

- **Construction activities:** use of excavators, cranes, piling rigs and other heavy machinery for access points, clearing, earthworks, piling and tower erection. Trucks delivering equipment and materials.
- **Work hours:** construction works take place during daylight hours - Monday to Friday, 7am to 6pm and Saturday, 8am to 1pm. If out of hours is required, we will contact all impacted landowners 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 road conditions and road safety

HumeLink East has been working closely with local councils to proactively address any impacts on local roads, as required under the project's planning and environmental approvals. HumeLink East and West have road maintenance agreements in place with Snowy Valleys Council, which provides monthly payments for maintenance activities as and when they are required. Discussions are continuing with other councils along the HumeLink alignment about the prospect of entering into similar maintenance agreements.

Independent road condition surveys were completed before construction began and shared with councils, and the same process will occur at the end of construction to identify any rectification works not already completed. All project vehicles in the Transgrid and HumeLink fleets are fitted with monitoring systems that provide live tracking and ensure compliance with approved routes. These measures are in place to reduce road and traffic impacts for local communities throughout construction.

Survey inspections

Property condition assessment surveys are continuing on properties and roads that will be accessed for the construction of the project.

- **Drones and a 3D scanner** mounted on a vehicle are being used to inspect roads and structures.
- **Approved drone flights** are occurring weekly above construction sites to monitor progress.

Keeping you informed

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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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