

### **Table 1 - Information**

Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) Completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Scott Rolph and Madeleine Cicchelli  Qualification: Ecologists
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	15/06/2023
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey Location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	288-286 Track
Scope Methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area  In field visual inspection by ecologists of the proposed tower location
Work Package ID	Access Tracks (L5)

## Table 2 - Pre-Clearance Survey Details

Infrastructure Surveyed					
Tower Footprint	□ Cen		ntreline		
Break and Winch Site		Par	king Areas		
Access Track (existing)		Acc	ess Track (new)	)	$\boxtimes$
Disturbance Area B		Oth	er		
Details of Other:					
Protected Matters					
Item	Presence	Identified	Quantum to Clear (Ha)	Comments	
	Yes	No	Clear (Fla)		
White Box-Yellow Box-Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived Native Grassland 12		$\boxtimes$			
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>12</sup>		×			
Weeping Myall Woodlands 12		$\boxtimes$			
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>12</sup>		×			
Buloke Woodlands of the Riverina and Murray-Darling Depression Bioregions <sup>2</sup>		×			
Mallee Bird Community of the Murray Darling Depression Bioregion <sup>2</sup>		×			
Plains mallee box woodland of the Murray Darling Depression, Riverina and Naracoorte Coastal Plains bioregions <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Seasonal Herbaceous Wetlands (Freshwater) of the Temperate Lowland Plains <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			



Habitat for A spear-grass (austrostipa metatoris) <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for A spear-grass (austrostipa wakoolica) <sup>2</sup>			
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy 12		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Sand-hill Spider Orchid <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for A burr-daisy <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Winged Peppercross <sup>1</sup>		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Chariot Wheels 12		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Yellow Swainson-pea <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Plains Wanderer 12		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Regent Parrot (eastern subspecies) 12			
Habitat for Superb Parrot <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$	
Notes:			
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1 Protected matter listed within the Notification of 2 Protected matter listed within the Revised Bio  Management measures required to avoid a proved Biodiversity Management approved Biodiversity Ma	s required. (ent Plan.	Clearing work	cs to be completed in accordance with the  Comments:
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Environmental Exclusion Zones							
Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:				
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:				
Unexpected Finds							
Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:				
If yes, has the Environmental Manager Yes □ No ☒ Details:							
Additional Comments							
<ul> <li>Weeds to be managed in accordan</li> <li>Ecologist not required during cleari</li> <li>Highly modified farming paddock use</li> <li>Additional weed species: Galvanise Bathurst Burr (Xanthium spinosum)</li> </ul>	ng activities sed for grazi ed Burr ( <i>Scl</i> e	ing. erolaena bin	chii), Spear Thistle ( <i>Cirsium vulgare</i> ),				

### Table 3 - Pre-Clearance Approval

Ecologist	
Pre-clearance Assessment Timeframe for Nominated Works	3 months
Name	Scott Rolph and Madeleine Cicchelli
Signature	Scottles -
Date	31/07/2023
SecureEnergy	
Name	Glenn Hayden
Position	Senior Environmental Advisor
Signature	
Date	09.08.2023



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Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) Completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Madeleine Cicchelli, Scott Rolph, Arthur Nemet, Willem Magney Qualification: Ecologists
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	28/07/2023 – 29/07/2023
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey Location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Access Track 5020 – 5021
Scope Methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area  In field visual inspection by ecologists of the proposed tower location
Work Package ID	L5 Ecology – Pre-clearance surveys

## Table 2 - Pre-Clearance Survey Details

Infrastructure Surveyed					
Tower Footprint	□ Cen		treline		
Break and Winch Site		Par	king Areas	king Areas	
Access Track (existing)		Acc	ess Track (new)		$\boxtimes$
Disturbance Area B		Oth	er		
Details of Other:					
Protected Matters					
Item	Presence	Identified	Quantum to	Comments	
	Yes	No	Clear (Ha)		
White Box-Yellow Box-Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived Native Grassland <sup>12</sup>					
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia 12	$\boxtimes$		0.01 Ha	EPBC Act Threate Ecological Commi	
				Quantum exclude intersecting with T Footprints and Ac	ower
Weeping Myall Woodlands 12					
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Buloke Woodlands of the Riverina and Murray-Darling Depression Bioregions <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Mallee Bird Community of the Murray Darling Depression Bioregion <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Plains mallee box woodland of the Murray Darling Depression, Riverina and Naracoorte Coastal Plains bioregions <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			



Seasonal Herbaceous Wetlands (Freshwater) of the Temperate Lowland Plains <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for A spear-grass (austrostipa metatoris) <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for A spear-grass (austrostipa wakoolica) <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy 12		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Sand-hill Spider Orchid <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for A burr-daisy <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Winged Peppercross <sup>1</sup>		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Chariot Wheels 12		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Yellow Swainson-pea <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Plains Wanderer 12		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Regent Parrot (eastern subspecies) 12		$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Superb Parrot <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$	
Notes: 1 Protected matter listed within the Notification of 2 Protected matter listed within the Revised Biological Protected matter listed within the Revised Biological Protected Matter Listed Within the Revised Biologi			
Management measures required to avo	oid or minir	nise impa	cts to Protected Matters:
Slopes, Cobar Peneplain, Nande area Exclusion zones to be installed to	ewar and Bri o restrict access required.	galow Beli cess to pro	Woodland in the Riverina, NSW South Western to South Bioregions identified within the impact steeted matters outside the construction footprint. Forks to be managed in accordance with the
Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees			
Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes ⊠	No □	Comments: Habitat identified. Hollow-bearing trees and stick nests.
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes ⊠	No □	Comments: Waypoint ID 35, 819, 843
Nest boxes required?	Yes ⊠	No □	Comments:
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes ⊠	No □	Comments:
Weeds			
Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	e Yes □	No 🛭	☑ Details:



Environmental Exclusion Zones			
Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes ⊠	No □	Details: EPBC and BC Act Threatened Ecological Communities, and Squirrel Glider ( <i>Petaurus norfolcensis</i> ) habitat.
Unexpected Finds			
Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:

#### **Additional Comments**

- Exclusion zones to be installed prior to construction works commencing.
- Ecologist to be present for clearing activities.
- 0.01 ha of Squirrel Glider (Petaurus norfolcensis) habitat mapped within the impact area.
- Weeds to be managed in accordance with the Biosecurity Management Plan.
- Additional weed species: Slender Pigeon-grass (Setaria Parviflora), Paspalum (Paspalum dilataum), Flaxleaf Fleabane (Erigeron bonariensis), Wild Oat (Avena sp.), Spear Thistle (Cirsium vulgare), Sow Thistle (Sonchus oleraceus), Soursob (Oxalis pes-caprae), Small-flowered Mallow (Malva parviflora), Giant Nettle (Urtica dioica), Bathurst Burr (Xanthium spinosum), Barley Grass (Hordeum sp.), Paddy Melon (Cucumis myriocarpus), Hare's-foot Clover (Trifolium arvense var. arvense), Paterson's Curse (Echium plantagineum), Capeweed (Arctotheca calendula), Cat's-ear (Hypochaeris radicata), Variegated Thistle (Silybum marianum), Clustered Dock (Rumex conglomeratus).

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Ecologist	
Pre-clearance Assessment Timeframe for Nominated Works	3 months
Name	Madeleine Cicchelli
Signature	
Date	29/07/2023
SecureEnergy	
Name	Glenn Hayden
Position	Senior Environmental Advisor
Signature	
Date	12.08.2023



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Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) Completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Madeleine Cicchelli, Scott Rolph, Arthur Nemet, Willem Magney Qualification: Ecologists
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	29/07/2023
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey Location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Access Track 5029 – 5030
Scope Methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area  In field visual inspection by ecologists of the proposed tower location
Work Package ID	L5 Ecology – Pre-clearance surveys

### Table 2 - Pre-Clearance Survey Details

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Tower Footprint	□ Cent		ntreline	treline	
Break and Winch Site		Pa	rking Areas		
Access Track (existing)	☐ Acce		cess Track (new	ess Track (new)	
Disturbance Area B		Otl	ner		
Details of Other:					
Protected Matters					
Item	Presence	Identified	1 -1	Comments	
	Yes	No	Clear (Ha)		
White Box-Yellow Box-Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived	$\boxtimes$		0.33 Ha	0.33 Ha EPBC Act Threate Ecological Comm	
Native Grassland <sup>12</sup>				Quantum excludes areas intersecting with Tower Footprints and Access Points	
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Weeping Myall Woodlands 12		$\boxtimes$			
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Buloke Woodlands of the Riverina and Murray-Darling Depression Bioregions <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Mallee Bird Community of the Murray Darling Depression Bioregion <sup>2</sup>		×			
Plains mallee box woodland of the Murray Darling Depression, Riverina and Naracoorte Coastal Plains bioregions <sup>2</sup>					



Seasonal Herbaceous Wetlands (Freshwater) of the Temperate Lowland Plains <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for A spear-grass (austrostipa metatoris) <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for A spear-grass (austrostipa wakoolica) <sup>2</sup>				
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy 12		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for Sand-hill Spider Orchid <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for A burr-daisy <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for Winged Peppercross <sup>1</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for Chariot Wheels 12		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea 12		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for Yellow Swainson-pea <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for Plains Wanderer 12		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for Regent Parrot (eastern subspecies) 12		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for Superb Parrot <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$		1.43 Ha	Mapped habitat.
				Quantum excludes areas intersecting with Tower Footprints and Access Points.
Notes:				•

- 1 Protected matter listed within the Notification of Approval EnergyConnect NSW Eastern Section (EPBC 2020/8766)
- 2 Protected matter listed within the Revised Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (August 2022)

#### Management measures required to avoid or minimise impacts to Protected Matters:

- 0.24 ha of endangered BC Act TEC *Inland Grey Box Woodland in the Riverina, NSW South Western Slopes, Cobar Peneplain, Nandewar and Brigalow Belt South Bioregions* identified within the impact area.
- 0.33 ha of critically endangered BC Act TEC White Box Yellow Box Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived Native Grassland identified within the impact area.
- Exclusion zones to be installed to restrict access to protected matters outside the construction footprint.
- No additional mitigation measures required. Clearing works to be managed in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Management Plan.

Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees			
Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes ⊠	No □	Comments: Habitat identified. Hollow-bearing trees and stick nests.
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes ⊠	No □	Comments: Waypoint ID 85, 86, 88, 447, 457, 320B
Nest boxes required?	Yes ⊠	No □	Comments:
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes ⊠	No □	Comments:
Weeds			
Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:

### **Environmental Exclusion Zones**



Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes ⊠	No □	Details: EPBC and BC Act Threatened Ecological Communities, and Squirrel Glider ( <i>Petaurus norfolcensis</i> ) habitat.
Unexpected Finds			
Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:

#### **Additional Comments**

- Exclusion zones to be installed prior to construction works commencing.
- Ecologist to be present for clearing activities.
- 0.57 ha of Squirrel Glider (Petaurus norfolcensis) habitat mapped within the impact area.
- Weeds to be managed in accordance with the Biosecurity Management Plan.
- Additional weed species: Flaxleaf Fleabane (*Erigeron bonariensis*), Spear Thistle (*Cirsium vulgare*), Sow Thistle (*Sonchus oleraceus*), Soursob (*Oxalis pes-caprae*), Small-flowered Mallow (*Malva parviflora*), Giant Nettle (*Urtica dioica*), Bathurst Burr (*Xanthium spinosum*), Barley Grass (*Hordeum sp.*), Hare's-foot Clover (*Trifolium arvense var. arvense*), Paterson's Curse (*Echium plantagineum*), Capeweed (*Arctotheca calendula*), Variegated Thistle (*Silybum marianum*) Rye-grass (*Lolium sp.*), Shepherd's Purse (*Capsella bursa-pastoris*), S*isymbrium sp.*, Horehound (*Marrubium vulgare*), Onion Weed (*Asphodelus fistulosus*), Chickweed (*Stellaria media*), Pimpernel (*Lysimachia arvensis*), Black Nightshade (*Solanum Nigrum*).

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Pre-clearance Assessment Timeframe for Nominated Works	3 months
Name	Madeleine Cicchelli
Signature	
Date	29/07/2023
SecureEnergy	
Name	Glenn Hayden
Position	Senior Environmental Advisor
Signature	
Date	12.08.2023