

Project EnergyConnect (NSW - Eastern Section)
Ecology Pre-Clearance Survey Report



General information	
Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Hannah Roberts Qualification: Ecologist(s)
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	6/08/2025
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Easement between Towers 200-202
Scope methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area informed by previous in field visual inspections (across multiple dates) by ecologists for the proposed disturbance area(s).

Pre-clearance Survey details					
Infrastructure surveyed					
Tower footprint	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Centreline		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Break and winch site, OPGW, EPZ, hurdle and/or crane pad site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Parking areas		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Access track (existing)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Access track (new)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Disturbance Area B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Any other details:					
Protected Matters					
Item	Presence identified		Quantum surveyed (Ha)	Quantum which will be disturbed (Ha)	Comments
	Yes	No			
White Box-Yellow Box-Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived Native Grassland ^{1,2}	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Grey Box (<i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i>) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia ^{1,2}	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1.2	0.11 (mapped within Disturbance Area B)	EPBC Act Threatened Ecological Community
Weeping Myall Woodlands ^{1,2}	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains ^{1,2}	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy ^{1,2}	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Chariot Wheels ^{1,2}	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea ^{1,2}	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
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)					

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Pre-clearance Survey details

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

- 0.52 Ha of endangered BC Act-listed TEC 'Inland Grey Box Woodland in the Riverina, NSW South Western Slopes, Cobar Peneplain, Nandewar and Brigalow Belt South Bioregions' mapped within Disturbance Area B.
- No exclusion zones required due to disturbance caused by prior clearing.
- 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 <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Nest boxes required?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:

Weeds

Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
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Environmental exclusion zones

Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details: Not required due to disturbance caused by prior clearing.

Unexpected Finds



Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:

Additional comments:

- Ecologist not required for clearing activities.
- Vegetation removal has previously occurred within easement.
- Weeds to be managed in accordance with the Biosecurity Management Plan.
- Additional weeds: Flaxleaf Fleabane (*Erigeron bonariensis*), Paterson's Curse (*Echium plantagineum*), Spear Thistle (*Cirsium vulgare*), Paddy Melon (*Cucumis myriocarpus*), Black Nightshade (*Solanum nigrum*), Galvanized Burr (*Sclerolaena birchii*), Bathurst Burr (*Xanthium spinosum*).

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Pre-clearance Approval	
Ecologist	
Name	Hannah Roberts
Signature	
Date	06/08/2025
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Name	Frank Team
Position	Environmental Coordinator
Signature	
Date	09/08/2025