Construction Update

June 2025

Enabling work across HumeLink West

Transgrid's HumeLink West delivery partners, UGL and CPB Contractors are continuing to install site access points, gates, fencing, access tracks, drainage, site compounds, utility connections, ancillary site facilities and preparing sites at Tarcutta and Kunama for the construction of temporary worker accommodation.

Other activities include geotechnical surveys to check ground conditions across the transmission line alignment.

Enabling works are nearing completion and arrangements are being made for construction to commence mid-year.



The Kunama worker accommodation site showing a water harvesting pond

Access points and access tracks

Over 65 access points are required to reach over 350 construction sites along the 140-kilometre project alignment within HumeLink West. More than half of these have now been installed.

Low-impact civil works to install or upgrade about 300kms of access tracks are well underway - with local contractors being engaged wherever possible.

The workforce is set to grow much further over coming weeks with the start of main construction works.



The HumeLink West project alignment is marked in yellow.

Tarcutta and Kunama worker accommodation facilities

Civil works are well advanced at Kunama near Batlow and at Tarcutta, allowing construction of the two 350-bed temporary worker accommodation facilities to begin soon.

The self-sufficient temporary accommodation camps will contain dining halls, fitness and entertainment areas, medical and laundry facilities for HumeLink West workers and car parking for work vehicles.

Both sites will capture rain water run-off in sedimentation ponds and recycle water for use in dust suppression and other raw water uses throughout HumeLink West project delivery.



Earthworks for the Tarcutta accommodation facility are progressing well.



Local contractors undertaking civil works at the Maragle 500kV substation site to the east of Tumbarumba.

Environmental controls a key element of HumeLink West delivery

At Maragle, the focus has remained on the completion of civil earthworks and the establishment of drainage and sediment control ponds for the site compound. These water run-off safeguards are being advanced in tandem with construction.

Under the compliance monitoring of the HumeLink West environmental team, a network of drainage diversions and water storage sites are being constructed.

Compacted gravel is being installed for internal access roads and the compound area, providing all-weather access and reducing sedimentation run-off in wet weather.



Civil earthworks are ongoing at the Maragle site.



The Maragle site is ready for substation construction to begin.



Transgrid and delivery partners launch community and stakeholder consultation for HumeLink's Community Investment & Benefits Program

Community groups throughout the HumeLink project footprint have the opportunity to share in millions of dollars in funding for projects and initiatives that will bring lasting social, economic and environmental benefits to the region.

Transgrid and its delivery partners have developed a Community Investment and Benefits Program for communities along the alignment for the HumeLink transmission line.

Following community consultation, areas of focus for the program were identified, namely community connection, care for country, local education and skills development, local industry development and social legacy initiatives.

Community groups are invited to submit an expression of interest for community projects or initiatives that fit within the identified themes. Eligible projects will be shortlisted, and the community will be invited to prioritise them in line with the program focus areas.

For more information, click here.

Proposed Lower Bago Road compound, Green Hills

HumeLink West is proposing the use of an area at Lower Bago Road within the Green Hills State Forest as a work compound, to support construction activities in the area. We are seeking community feedback on the use of this location as a compound.

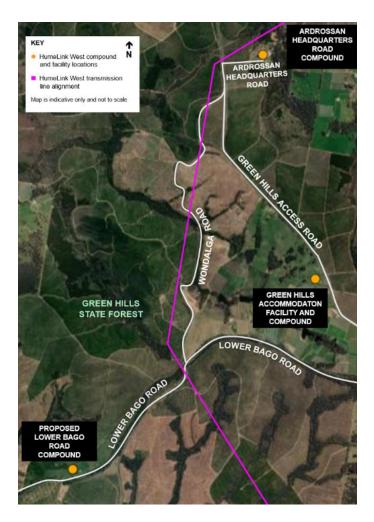
The compound would be used until the project is completed in late 2027 for plant servicing and fuelling; temporary storage of materials and equipment; stockpiling; partial assembly of tower components; concrete production; worker offices and amenities; parking; and heavy vehicle deliveries.

Dedicated turn in and out lanes to the compound are proposed to be built to minimise traffic delays and maintain safety on Lower Bago Road, in consultation with the relevant authorities.

All work would be carried out in line with the project Conditions of Approval available on the NSW Government Major Projects website, **click here**.

For more detailed information and what to expect, view the Proposed Work Compound Lower Bago Road work notification. You are invited to provide feedback on the proposal by Friday 27 June 2025 by contacting us on 1800 317 367 or humelink@transgrid.com.au. You can also visit us at the Snowy Valleys Resilience Hub, 37 Pioneer Street Batlow, open on Thursdays and Fridays, from 9am to 5pm.

We will provide an update to the community, if the proposal is to go ahead. We welcome any questions you have on this proposal or any other aspect of the project.





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