

What is HumeLink?

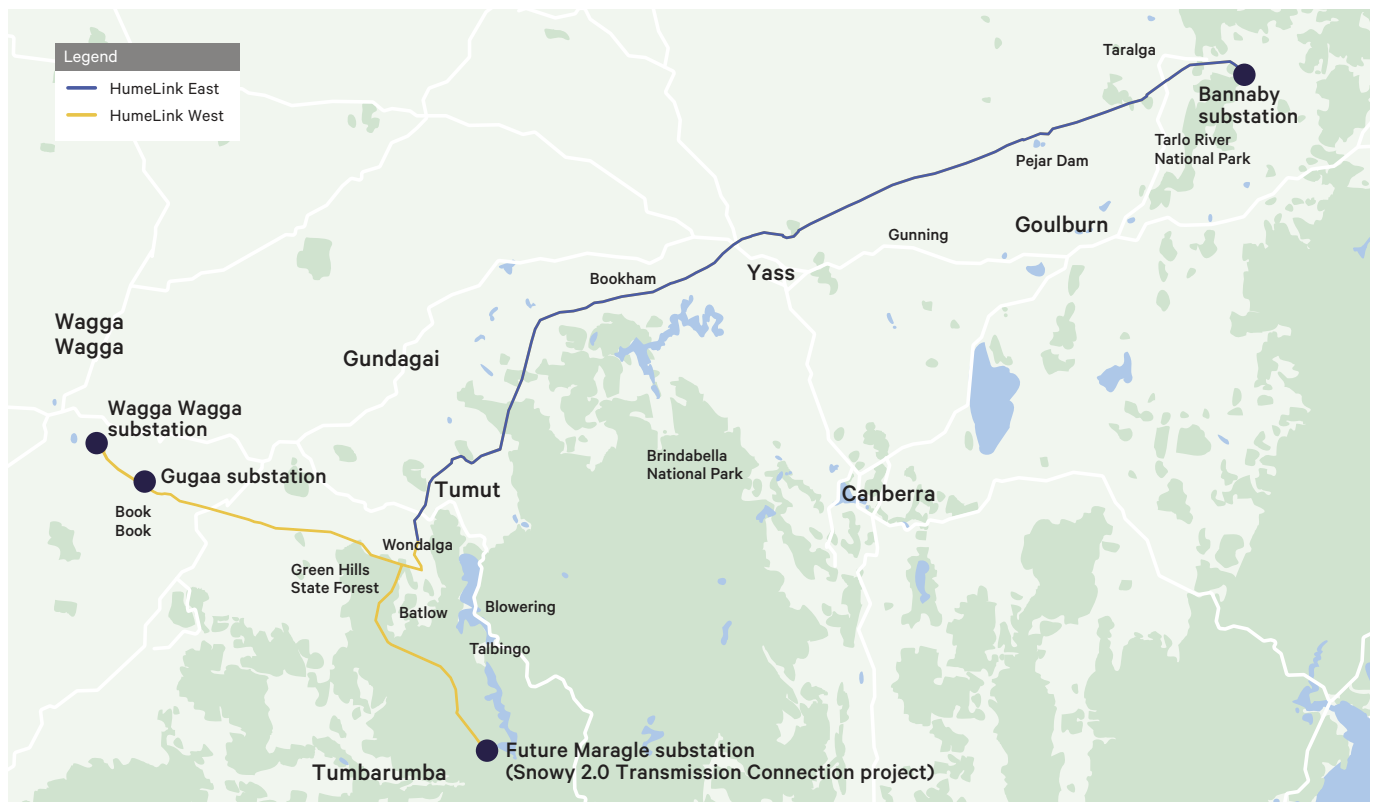
HumeLink is one of Australia's largest energy infrastructure projects connecting renewable energy sources to the grid and helping to put downward pressure on energy prices in Australia.

The project consists of 365 kilometres of 500 kV overhead transmission lines connecting Wagga Wagga, Bannaby and Maragle, and new or upgraded infrastructure at four substations. The project is being delivered in two sections, by two joint venture partners, HumeLink East: Acciona and Genus and HumeLink West: UGL and CPB Contractors. For more information, go to transgrid.com.au/humelink

Traffic and vehicle movements during construction

As we progress with construction of the transmission towers and lines, there will be an increase in both light and heavy vehicle movements on some local roads until the project is completed in late 2027. These movements include workers travelling to and from construction sites and heavy vehicle journeys delivering essential materials such as tower steel, concrete and construction equipment to substation sites and tower location access points.

To maintain road safety during this period, temporary changes will be implemented on selected roads. These may include reduced speed limits, traffic controls and signage. All road users are asked to observe the signposted speed limits, follow the direction of traffic controllers, and drive to the conditions. We thank you for your patience and cooperation during these works.



HumeLink East and West Map.



Approved routes and traffic movement plans

The vehicle routes used during the construction stage of HumeLink were assessed and approved during the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) phase. These routes have been further refined during the detailed design phase and may be further adjusted based on road conditions and community consultation. For detailed information on light and heavy vehicle routes for the HumeLink West, refer to the Vehicle Movement Plan (VMP):

- [HumeLink West VMP](#)

Traffic and Transport Management Plans (TTMPs) outline how traffic and road safety will be managed throughout construction. They were developed in consultation with Transport for NSW (TfNSW), local councils, and the Forestry Corporation of NSW (as required). They can be found on the HumeLink website or via the following links:

- [HumeLink East TTMP](#)
- [HumeLink West TTMP](#)

Road and driver safety

Safety is central to all traffic and vehicle operations on HumeLink. All drivers on the project have completed mandatory safety training and operate vehicles fitted with In-Vehicle Management Systems (IVMS). These systems enable live tracking and real-time alerts to ensure compliance with approved travel schedules and designated routes.

Before starting work each day, workers receive pre-start briefings and site-specific inductions. Safety protocols are reinforced daily, and any incidents or near misses are reported to support continuous improvement and transparency.

Ultra High Frequency (UHF) channels are used for heavy vehicle operations to coordinate safe passing at appropriate locations. Appropriate call up signs are located across heavy vehicle routes throughout the project area.

To ensure all drivers are aware of their obligations, the Vehicle Movement Plan (VMP) is distributed to subcontractors and made readily available at each compound site for driver reference.

The project team maintains regular communication with emergency services to address potential impacts and ensure a prompt response if needed.

Emergency vehicle road access

Emergency access is a priority and will be maintained across all construction zones. Access tracks are designed to accommodate emergency vehicles, and coordination with local emergency services ensures signage is clear and routes remain unobstructed. The project team maintains regular communication with emergency services to address potential impacts and ensure a prompt response if needed.

Emergency response protocols are in place and regularly reviewed. [View the HumeLink West Emergency Response Plan](#) and the [HumeLink East bushfire emergency management and evacuation plan](#) for more information.

Vehicle types and movements

Light vehicles: car, utility vehicle, minibus, small delivery truck

- Light vehicles will be used throughout the project area.
- Workers are transported on shuttle vehicles between the airport, accommodation camps and work sites, to reduce light vehicle traffic.



HumeLink West light vehicle.

Heavy vehicles: trucks, buses, truck and trailer, sweepers, excavators, graders, water carts, cranes, cement and gravel trucks

- Where possible, project heavy vehicle routes are planned to avoid residential areas, school bus and public bus routes.
- Where possible, heavy vehicle movements are scheduled to avoid peak traffic periods and convoying, to minimise traffic disruptions.
- All loaded vehicles entering or leaving construction sites will have their loads covered or contained and leave site in a forward direction. In any cases where a forward direction is not possible, traffic control will be installed.



Heavy vehicle used during HumeLink construction.

Oversized and overmass vehicles: trucks carrying tower components, substation equipment

- Oversized and overmass (OSOM) vehicles operate under strict scheduling to avoid peak traffic.
- Movements are supported by escort vehicles approved by road authorities.
- At least 7 days' advance notice is provided to affected communities, using a range of methods including temporary roadworks information signage, changed traffic condition advertising and community letterbox and email notifications.

All vehicles comply with Transport for NSW and National Heavy Vehicle Regulator guidelines.



Example of an oversize/overmass vehicle.

Speed reduction and traffic control

To maintain safety, temporary speed limits are enforced near work zones and access points. Certified traffic controllers manage stop/slow operations and temporary lights in line with Transport for NSW requirements (the Traffic Control at Work Sites Technical Manual). Compliance with speed limits is monitored through GPS and site supervision.

Road maintenance

Roads used during construction are regularly inspected and maintained to pre-existing condition by the project or through agreements with local councils. Maintenance activities may include pothole repairs, grading, dust suppression, resurfacing, and asphaltting.

Independent road condition surveys were conducted on the local roads by the project before the start of enabling works. These surveys documented road conditions and were shared with relevant local councils. When construction is completed, a final survey is conducted to identify any necessary rectification works.

Where needed, temporary repairs will be carried out as quickly as possible to ensure safety.

Measures are also in place to prevent dirt and debris from being tracked onto public roads. These include rumble grids and wheel washes at access points, covering loads on all vehicles, regular sweeping of sealed roads, and erosion and sediment control plans.

The HumeLink project is committed to restoring roads that have been impacted by project activities in consultation with council and in accordance with Conditions of Approval.

Coordination with other major projects

To reduce impact on local road networks, both HumeLink East and HumeLink West are liaising with neighbouring projects to reduce cumulative impacts. For example, ensuring oversized and overmass loads have staggered delivery times and adjusting work schedules for days when heavier construction vehicle movements are planned. Neighbouring major infrastructure projects include:

- Inland Rail
- Snowy 2.0
- Riverina Redevelopment Program
- Bookham Wind Farm (Squadron Energy).
- Project Energy Connect.

Traffic updates and communication channels

Keeping communities informed is a key part of HumeLink's commitment to transparency and safety. Regular work notifications are issued, detailing upcoming activities and changes to traffic and access conditions. Notifications are distributed at least seven days in advance of any disruptions to traffic, travel conditions, anticipated delays, disruptions to property access and changes to travel routes. Work notifications are available on the project [website](#).

An interactive map is available on the [HumeLink website](#), allowing users to view construction zones, access points and access tracks across the alignment. For road users, [Live Traffic NSW](#) provides up-to-date information on any disruptions or detours.

Contact us

The safety of the community and workers on local roads is a top priority for HumeLink. If you see any unsafe driving, traffic disruptions or road impacts involving project vehicles, please contact HumeLink by calling 1800 317 367 or emailing humelink@transgrid.com.au. All reports are logged and investigated.

Where possible, please include:

- the location, date, time and general information about the incident
- the vehicle number displayed on the side of all project vehicles or their number plate
- any project identification, for example HumeLink East, HumeLink West or Transgrid.

For urgent safety concerns or emergencies, please call 000.



Connect with us

Transgrid is committed to working with landowners and communities through the development of HumeLink. Please connect with us for more information.



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