

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



General information

Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Darcy Brady Qualification: Ecologist / FSC
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	6/02/2026
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	Survey Extent: Line 2, Tower 400 to Tower 448
Scope methodology	Desktop Survey: A desktop survey was undertaken that encompasses the full Biodiversity Assessment Method (BAM) assessment extent, with targeted focus on 'Hazard Tree' clusters designated for removal. Infield Survey: The in-field survey encompassed the full easement, including a 15-metre buffer on both sides.

Pre-clearance Survey details

Infrastructure surveyed								
Tower footprint	Centreline							
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Brake and winch site, OPGW, EPZ, hurdle and/or crane pad site	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parking areas			<input type="checkbox"/>			
Access track (existing)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Access track (new)			<input type="checkbox"/>			
Disturbance Area B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Any other details:	Full easement with 15-meter buffer to accommodate for hazard & tall growing trees							
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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						
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"/>						

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Notes:

No disturbance envisaged to occur within TECs

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

Clearing works to be completed in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Management Plan.

Fauna Spotter to be present during clearing activities.

Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees

Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Nest boxes required?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments: All nest boxes are already installed. Any nest boxes identified on a hazard tree scheduled for removal will be relocated to the closest suitable tree.
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Comments: Fauna Spotter Required due to the presence of Hollow Bearing Trees and Nest Box inspections, including possible relocation.

Weeds

Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Details: African Boxthorn, (Lycium ferocissimum). Weeds to be managed in accordance with approved Biosecurity Management plan.
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Environmental exclusion zones

Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
Environmental exclusion zones required?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:

Unexpected Finds

Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:

Additional comments:

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No identified hazard tree is situated within a TEC.

Pre-clearance Approval

Ecologist

Name	Darcy Brady
Signature	
Date	6/02/2026

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Name	Clare Oakey
Position	Environmental Coordinator
Signature	
Date	6/02/2026

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