

HumeLink West Quarterly Traffic and Transport Report

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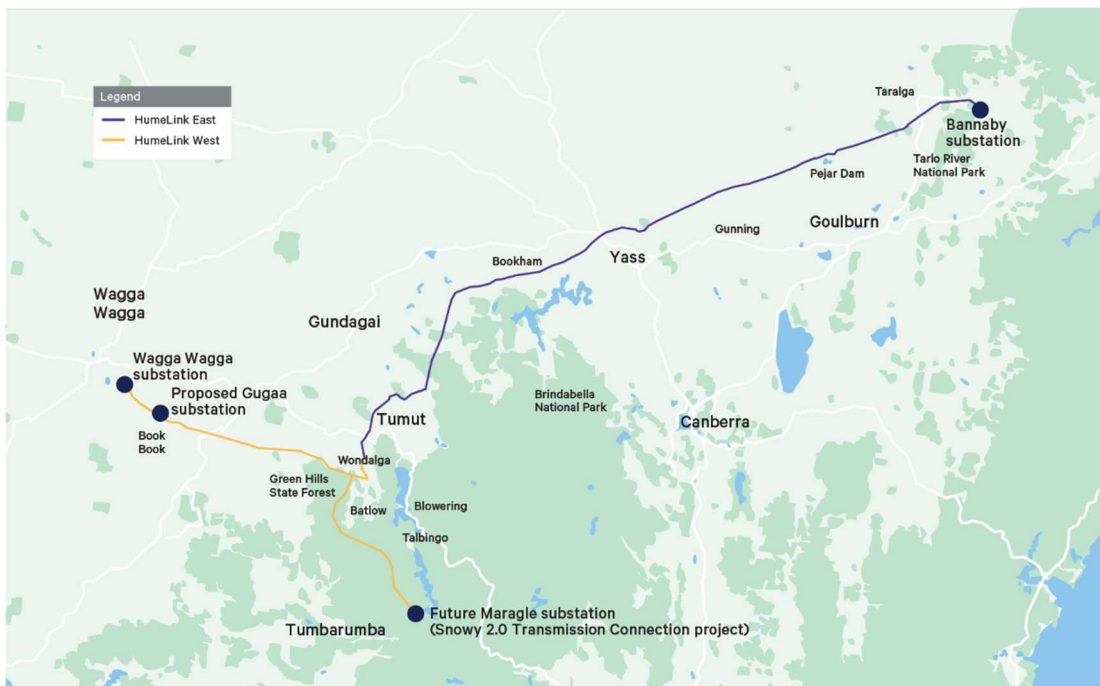
1. Introduction

Humelink is a project of National Significance and a priority project for the Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO), the Commonwealth and NSW Government. It is one of the state’s largest energy infrastructure projects and will deliver approximately 365km of new 500kV transmission lines connecting Wagga Wagga, Bannaby and Maragle and includes new and upgraded infrastructure at four substation locations.

The Project will deliver a cheaper, more reliable, and more sustainable grid by increasing the amount of renewable energy that can be delivered across the national electricity grid, helping to transition Australia to a low carbon future.

Figure 1 below provides an overview of the combined Humelink East and West projects.

Figure 1: Humelink proposed transmission lines and substations



Transgrid will deliver the Project by splitting the scope into two major Contract Packages: Humelink East, and Humelink West.

Humelink East involves the design and construction of approximately 225km of 500kV double circuit quad bundle transmission line from Bannaby, to the Interface Point north of Batlow.

Humelink West involves the augmentation of the existing Wagga 330/132kV substation, augmentation of the Maragle 330kV switching station to establish the combined Maragle 500/330kV substation, design, and construction of the new Gugaa 500/330kV substation, and the design and construction of approximately 140km of new 500kV double circuit quad bundle transmission line between Maragle and Wagga, and from the T-Point to the Interface Point.

2. Traffic and Transport Management Plan Requirements

Section 9.5 of the Traffic and Transport Management Plan (TTMP) requires a “*periodic report*” be developed quarterly, with the frequency revised after 1 year of construction. This report will be provided to Transgrid’s Traffic Advisor within one month of the period ending.

This periodic report has been developed for the commencement of Construction, 26 September 2025, until 31 January 2026. This period encompasses the extended Christmas Shutdown period (2 weeks) and has been set to align with the ramp up of project numbers from late October 2025 to allow better assessment of IVMS data. This duration of the periodic report was agreed with Transgrid via email on 16 February 2026. Subsequent quarterly reports will cover a 3-month period unless agreed with Transgrid’s Traffic Advisor.

The report is required to include the following:

- Traffic related incidents on site.
- Effectiveness of Vehicle Management Plan (VMP) and vehicle tracking:
 - Any incidents involving reported (by public) non-conformance of vehicles using non-approved local roads.
 - Incidents of GPS tracked vehicles using non-approved local roads report (by project)
- Effectiveness of the Driver Code of Conduct.

2.1. Traffic Related Incidents on Site

There have been 7 traffic related incidents that occurred within the project site during the reporting period (refer Table 1). Each occurrence has been reported to Transgrid via the safety team and the relevant HLW safety documents and processes implemented.

Table 1. Traffic incidents occurring on HLW site

No	On-site Incident Details	Date
1	Equipment damaged during unloading	23/1/2026
2	Grader contact a parked project light vehicle	18/1/2026
3	Project vehicle (Polaris) slipped off track	15/12/2025
4	Project light vehicle made contact with another vehicle while parking	12/12/2025
5	Project heavy vehicle (truck and dog) reversed into excavator	3/12/2025
6	Gate closed causing damage to project light vehicle	16/11/2025
7	Project light vehicle reversed into another project light vehicle	15/10/2025

In addition there have been 19 traffic related complaints received, as detailed below. Each has been investigated and closed per the HLW community complaint handling processes. Refer Tables 2 & 3 for a summary of the complaints by location and summary of each complaints received during the reporting period.

Table 2. Summary of complaints by location during reporting period:

Location	No. of Complaints
Livingstone Gully Road	4
Mates Gully Road	3
Yaven Creek Rd/Ellerslie Rd	4
Other (single complaint)/unknown road	8

Table 3. Summary of complaints received during reporting period.

No.	Date	Vehicle type	Road	Complaint summary
1	9/10/25	Project Heavy Vehicle	Old Tumarumba Rd	HLW addressed the complaint with the complainant. HLW spoke to the driver and reiterated the road to be used for accessing HLW compounds.
2	20/10/25	General project vehicles	Livingstone Gully Road	HLW addressed the complaint with the complainant. Complainant was concerned about the road not being sealed prior to construction commencing.
3	23/10/25	Traffic delays to general public	Green Hills Access Road	HLW addressed the complaint with the complainant. Complaint regarded delays to general public heavy vehicles as a result of HLW traffic management.
4	25/10/25	Project light vehicle	Mates Gully road	HLW addressed the complaint with the complainant. Complainant noted a Project light vehicle had used a public turning area causing noise impacts near their driveway. HLW have advised the driver not to use this section of Mates Gully Rd.
5	29/10/25	Traffic delays to general public	Mates Gully road	HLW addressed the complaint with the complainant. Complaint regarded traffic delays due to traffic management while road upgrade works were occurring.
6	21/11/25	Project heavy vehicles	Yaven Creek Rd Ellerslie Rd	HLW addressed the complaint with the complainant. Concerned regarding road safety with increased project heavy vehicles. No specific vehicles were identified.
7	25/11/25	Project heavy vehicles	Livingstone Gully Road	HLW addressed the complaint with the complainant. Complainant was concerned about the road surface quality. HLW noted road resurfacing was scheduled to occur on part of Livingstone Gully Road.
8	28/11/25	General project vehicles	General	HLW addressed the complaint with the complainant. Complainant noted Project Vehicles were driving on public roads with flashing beacons left on. HLW have reminded project teams to turn beacons off when on public roads.
9	28/11/25	Project heavy vehicles	Yaven Creek Rd Ellerslie Rd	HLW addressed the complaint with the complainant. Concerned regarding road safety with increased project heavy vehicles. No specific vehicles were identified.
10	1/12/25	General project vehicles	Livingstone Gully Road	HLW addressed the complaint with the complainant. Resident noted project vehicles beeped horn at people riding horses and was concerned regarding horse and rider safety.

				HLW raised matter with project team and requirement for safe driver behaviour
11	1/12/25	Heavy vehicle	Yaven Creek Rd	HLW addressed the complaint with the complainant. Complaint regarded a heavy vehicle behaviour while passing. HLW were unable to find a record of a project vehicle in use at this time near the location.
12	2/12/25	General project vehicle	Westbrook Rd	HLW addressed the complaint with the complainant. Complaint advised a project vehicle had used part of a restricted road. HLW investigation found the vehicle did not use the restricted road.
13	5/12/25	Traffic delays to general public	Mates Gully Rd	HLW addressed the complaint with the complainant. Complaint concerned general public were unable to evacuate fire affected areas due to traffic control in place. HLW reiterated traffic control was manned 24/7 and provided priority access to emergency vehicles. HLW were taking advice from RFS on the fire event.
14	15/12/25	Project heavy vehicles	Batlow Rd	HLW addressed the complaint with the complainant. Complaint noted general concerns with use of Batlow Rd. HLW confirmed Batlow Rd was a construction route, and would continue to monitor the route and noted safe driver initiatives being implemented.
15	16/12/25	Project heavy vehicle	Not recorded	HLW addressed the complaint with the complainant. Complainant noted a project vehicle had been driven unsafely. HLW were able to identify the vehicle and have responded to the driver and supervisors.
16	6/1/26	Project heavy vehicle	Yaven Creek Rd	HLW addressed the complaint with the complainant. Complaint regarded unsafe heavy vehicle movements. HLW investigated and were unable to confirm it was a project vehicle. Noting HLW have reiterated driver behaviour expectations at toolboxes.
17	19/1/26	Project heavy vehicles	Livingstone Gully Road	HLW addressed the complaint with the complainant. Complainant was concerned about the road surface quality. HLW noted road next resurfacing schedule to the complainant.
18	23/1/26	General project vehicles	Redbank Road	HLW addressed the complaint with the complainant. Complainant noted dust generated from project vehicles on Redbank Rd. HLW noted the concerns and have indicated use of the road would be limited wherever possible to minimise impacts.
19	27/1/26	General project vehicles	Unknown	HLW addressed the complaint with the complainant. Complaint noted livestock gate had been left open and dust impacts. HLW implemented signage, fencing adjustments and locks to rectify the concerns.

2.2. Effectiveness of VMPs and Vehicle Tracking

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. The VMP details the appropriate routes for HLW construction vehicles to use during works.

All drivers on the project complete 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.

The following mitigation measures are implemented by HLW to ensure project vehicle impacts are kept to a minimum (but not limited to):

- All workers complete the Project Induction, which covers Driver Code of Conduct, general driving behaviours expected of all staff and approved VMPs.
- Approved transport routes are documented in VMPs which are provided to all drivers as a part of their contract documentation.
- Specific driver induction and 4WD training for all staff using Project Vehicles.
- Toolboxes, Pre-start and project-wide announcements regularly include driver behaviour and VMP route reminders.
- HLW and subcontractor vehicles are fitted with IVMS mapped to the VMP routes for the project, the IVMS will alert the driver if they access a construction site via a non-VMP area, including Mates Gully Road west of the Tarcutta Accommodation Camp access point.
- Variable Message Signs (VMS) are positioned at locations where required to assist directing project vehicles
- HLW have mandated reduced speed limits for all Project Vehicles on:
 - Yaven Creek Road
 - Humula Road
 - Westbrook Road
 - Ellerslie Road

The following data is derived from IVMS records during the reporting period.

2.2.1. Incidents involving reported (by public) non-conformances of vehicles using non-approved local roads

Nil identified during the reporting period

2.2.2. Incidents of GPS tracked vehicles (IVMS) using non-approved local roads report (by report)

Incidents of using non-approved roads on local roads as recorded in IVMS are shown in Table 4 below. These are roads excluded by the project, but have been assessed and included in the EIS.

During the reporting period, IVMS recorded HLW project vehicles completing 2,061,452km. The movements in Table 4 represent 0.04% of the HLW movements

undertaken during the reporting period, indicating that there is approximately 99.96% compliance with the VMP routes.

The movements identified in Table 4 are alerted to relevant managers/supervisors when they occur and investigated. Where appropriate additional training e.g. toolboxes and pre-starts, is used to reiterate local road use and, as necessary, specific communication with individual drivers. Further disciplinary action may also result where necessary.

Table 4. Vehicle movements on project non-approved roads during reporting period

Location	No. Movements
Lower Bago Rd (Westbrook Rd - Yaven Creek Rd)	8
Lower Tarcutta Rd	7
Mates Gully Road	10
Westbrook Rd (Stewarts Rd - Lower Bago Rd)	10
Keajura Rd	20
Grand Total	55

2.2.3. Effectiveness of the Drive Code of Conduct

Driver performance is tracked by IVMS with weekly reports provided to the Senior Leadership Team (SLT) each week. Refer to Appendix A for example RAG report for 16-22 November 2025. In this sample week, high risk driving events (shown in red) are generally seat-belt violations which upon investigation were determined to be driving at low-speeds on private properties while opening livestock gates.

Individual alerts are provided to relevant SLT, supervisors and managers for instances of high or medium risk events. The following graphs (Figure 2 & 3) are produced from IVMS data and records driving performance as low, medium or high risk during the reporting period. Noting a low risk rating is the lowest rating and includes all remaining drivers.

Per Figure 3 it is noted there is generally a decrease in high risk drivers recorded across the project during the reporting period, highlighting the efforts HLW are making to improve driver behaviour on and around the project.

Typically during this reporting period, low risk drivers make up approximately 94.6% of all HLW Project Vehicles, with high risk drivers approximately 1.8%.



Figure 2. IVMS Driver Performance during reporting period

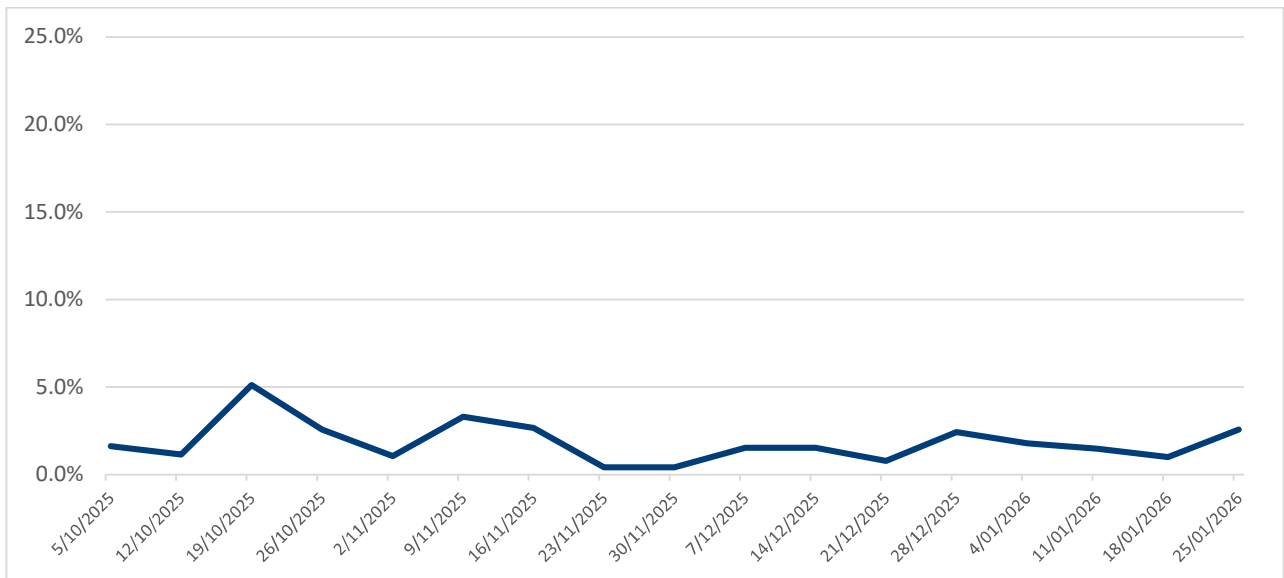


Figure 3. Percentage of high risk drivers per week during reporting period

In addition to the roads monitored as noted in Table 4, IVMS is used to monitoring traffic intersections at the following locations:

- HLWJV - 1 - Sturt Hwy / Koorungal Rd
- HLWJV - 2 - Sturt Hwy / Elizabeth Rd

- HLWJV - 3 - Snowy Mountains Hwy / Ellerslie Rd
- HLWJV - 4 - Snowy Mountains Hwy / Yaven Creek Rd
- HLWJV - 5 - Batlow Rd / Wondalga Rd
- HLWJV - 6 - Batlow Rd / Lower Bago Rd
- HLWJV - 7 - Hume Hwy / Keajura Rd East Side
- HLWJV - 8 - Hume Hwy / Comatawa Rd
- HLWJV - 9 - NA - Traffic Counting
- HLWJV - 10 - Hume Hwy / Keajura Rd West Side

There have been no traffic conditions of concern at these intersections during the report period as a result of HLW works, nor have complaints been received from the public regarding their performance.

Finally, HLW monitor the following intersections using cameras with smart AI to detect and distinguish project and public vehicles using these roads.

- Ellerslie Road
- Lowerbago Road
- Wondalga Road

There have been no traffic conditions of concern at these locations during the report period as a result of HLW works, nor have complaints been received from the public regarding their performance:

2.3. Dilapidation Survey Report

During the reporting period, HLW commenced annual dilapidation surveys per Condition B38 across the Wagga Wagga City Council, Snowy Valleys Council and NSW Forestry roads. Upon receipt of the annual dilapidation survey reports, these would be provided to the relevant authority.

Pre-Condition Dilapidation Survey reports have been provided to the relevant authorities in September 2024, May 2025 and July 2025.

2.4. Road Maintenance

During the reporting period, road maintenance activities undertaken are summarised in Table 6.

Table 6. Road maintenance works completed during the reporting period

Road	Council	Works	Issue	Date Completed	Works by	s138 No.
Mates Gully Road	WWCC	Repair	Pothole (pre-existing)	14/10/2025	HLW	ROC25-0103
Mates Gully Road	WWCC	Repair	Pothole (pre-existing)	21/11/2025	HLW	ROC25-0103
Livingstone Gully Road	WWCC	Maintenance	Regular Maintenance	3-5/12/2025	HLW	ROC25-0057-1
Elliot Way	SVC	Repair	Tarmac is protruding quite high in places	18/12/2025	SVC	N/A
Livingstone Gully Road	WWCC	Maintenance	Regular Maintenance	20/01/2026	HLW	ROC25-0057-1

Appendix A

Example weekly RAG (Red, Amber Green) Report (week of 16/11/25 to 22/11/25)

RAG+

HumeLink West Transmission Line JV



From 16/11/2025 To 22/11/2025

Driver Name	Distance (km)	Harsh Accel Occurrences	Accelerations per 100 km	Harsh Brake Occurrences	Decelerations per 100 km	Seatbelt Violation Time	Seatbelt Violation Time: Seconds Per 10 km	Max Speed Event Value (km/h)	Overspeeding Time	Overspeeding Time: Seconds Per 10 km	Total Score
	0.2	0	0.00	0	0.00	00:00:01	50.76	0.00	00:00:00	0.00	50.76
	279.3	0	0.00	0	0.00	00:00:00	0.00	106.00	00:11:21	24.38	24.38
	14.1	0	0.00	0	0.00	00:00:14	9.94	0.00	00:00:00	0.00	9.94
	971.3	0	0.00	0	0.00	00:00:00	0.00	108.00	00:10:24	6.42	6.42
	1,319.5	0	0.00	4	0.30	00:12:20	5.60	116.00	00:00:14	0.10	6.01
	259.7	0	0.00	0	0.00	00:02:17	5.27	106.00	00:00:01	0.03	5.31
	511.7	0	0.00	0	0.00	00:04:12	4.92	52.00	00:00:04	0.07	5.00
	555.5	0	0.00	0	0.00	00:00:06	0.10	107.00	00:03:31	3.79	3.90
	519.7	2	0.38	5	0.96	00:00:34	0.65	124.00	00:01:36	1.84	3.84
	678.6	0	0.00	4	0.58	00:00:00	0.00	112.00	00:02:41	2.37	2.96
	255.0	0	0.00	3	1.17	00:00:30	1.17	0.00	00:00:00	0.00	2.35
	446.7	0	0.00	0	0.00	00:00:00	0.00	107.00	00:01:45	2.35	2.35
	1,370.3	0	0.00	1	0.07	00:00:00	0.00	121.00	00:05:09	2.25	2.32
	560.4	0	0.00	9	1.60	00:00:00	0.00	119.00	00:00:34	0.60	2.21
	131.9	0	0.00	2	1.51	00:00:07	0.53	86.00	00:00:02	0.15	2.19
	572.2	0	0.00	0	0.00	00:01:59	2.07	108.00	00:00:05	0.08	2.16
	537.5	0	0.00	0	0.00	00:00:00	0.00	122.00	00:01:55	2.13	2.13
	48.7	0	0.00	1	2.05	00:00:00	0.00	0.00	00:00:00	0.00	2.05
	837.1	0	0.00	1	0.11	00:01:20	0.95	107.00	00:01:17	0.91	1.99
	1,432.1	0	0.00	1	0.06	00:04:17	1.79	57.00	00:00:09	0.06	1.92
	692.3	0	0.00	1	0.14	00:00:00	0.00	109.00	00:01:57	1.69	1.83
	860.3	0	0.00	0	0.00	00:00:05	0.05	117.00	00:02:32	1.76	1.82
	1,033.2	0	0.00	5	0.48	00:00:01	0.00	107.00	00:01:57	1.13	1.62
	633.6	0	0.00	0	0.00	00:01:42	1.60	67.00	00:00:01	0.01	1.62
	215.5	0	0.00	0	0.00	00:00:06	0.27	116.00	00:00:29	1.34	1.62
	957.5	0	0.00	0	0.00	00:01:34	0.98	106.00	00:00:43	0.44	1.43