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



#### **Table 1 - Information**

Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) Completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Shane Oates Qualification: Ecologist
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	14/12/2023
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey Location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L2 Towers Access Point 2008
Scope Methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area  In field visual inspection by ecologists of the proposed access point
Work Package ID	Access Tracks (L2)

#### Table 2 - Pre-Clearance Survey Details

Infrastructure Surveyed						
Tower Footprint			entr	eline		
Break and Winch Site		Pa	arkiı	ng Areas		
Access Track (existing)	×	Ac	cces	ss Track (new)		
Disturbance Area B			ther	-		
Details of Other:						
Protected Matters						
Item	Presence Identified			Quantum to	Comments	
	Yes	No		Clear (Ha)		
White Box-Yellow Box-Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived Native Grassland <sup>12</sup>						
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>12</sup>						
Weeping Myall Woodlands <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$				
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>12</sup>						
Buloke Woodlands of the Riverina and Murray-Darling Depression Bioregions <sup>2</sup>						
Mallee Bird Community of the Murray Darling Depression Bioregion <sup>2</sup>						
Plains mallee box woodland of the Murray Darling Depression, Riverina and Naracoorte Coastal Plains bioregions <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$				
Seasonal Herbaceous Wetlands (Freshwater) of the Temperate Lowland Plains <sup>2</sup>						

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Habitat for A spear-grass (austrostipa metatoris) <sup>2</sup>					
Habitat for A spear-grass (austrostipa wakoolica) <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Habitat for Sand-hill Spider Orchid <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Habitat for A burr-daisy <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Habitat for Winged Peppercross <sup>1</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Habitat for Chariot Wheels <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Habitat for Yellow Swainson-pea <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Habitat for Plains Wanderer <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Habitat for Regent Parrot (eastern subspecies) <sup>12</sup>					
Habitat for Superb Parrot <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Notes: 1 Protected matter listed within the Notification of 2 Protected matter listed within the Revised Bio					
Management measures required to avoid or minimise impacts to Protected Matters:  No additional mitigation measures required. Clearing works to be completed in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Management Plan.					
Biodiversity Management Plan.					
Biodiversity Management Plan.  Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees					
	Yes □				
Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees  Habitat trees and habitat features	Yes □	No ⊠	Comments:		
Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees  Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?  GPS coordinates and habitat trees		No ⊠	Comments:  Comments:		
Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees  Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?  GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes 🗆	No 🗵	Comments: Comments: Comments:		
Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees  Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?  GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?  Nest boxes required?  Fauna spotter required to be present	Yes □	No 🗵	Comments: Comments: Comments: Comments: Comments:		

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Environmental Exclusion Zones			
Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:
Unexpected Finds			
Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:
Additional Comments			

#### Table 3 - Pre-Clearance Approval

Ecologist	
Pre-clearance Assessment Timeframe for Nominated Works	6 Months
Name	Shane Oates
Signature	
Date	14/12/2023
SecureEnergy	
Name	Sarah Klocke
Position	Senior Environmental Advisor
Signature	Sarah Klocke
Date	15/12/2023