

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



General information	
Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Hannah Roberts and Lachie Swain Qualification: Ecologist(s)
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	14/06/2025
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Easement between Towers 203-205
Scope methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area In field visual inspection by ecologists of the proposed disturbance area

Pre-clearance Survey details					
Infrastructure surveyed					
Tower footprint	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Centreline	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Break and winch site, OPGW, EPZ, hurdle and/or crane pad site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Parking areas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Access track (existing)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Access track (new)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Disturbance Area B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Any other details:					
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 <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>1,2</sup>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	10.9	5.17 (mapped within Disturbance Area B)	EPBC Act Threatened Ecological Community
Weeping Myall Woodlands <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Chariot Wheels <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Notes:					
1 Protected matter listed within the Notification of Approval EnergyConnect NSW - Eastern Section (EPBC 2020/8766)					
2 Protected matter listed within the Revised Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (August 2022)					

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**Pre-clearance Survey details**

**Management measures required to avoid or minimise impacts to Protected Matters:**

- 1.46 ha of endangered BC Act-listed TEC 'Inland Grey Boc Woodland in the Riverina, NSW South Western Slopes, Cobar Penneplain, Nandewar and Brigalow Belt South Bioregions' mapped within Disturbance Area B.
- No exclusion zones required due to disturbance caused by prior clearing.
- No additional mitigation measures required. Clearing works to be managed in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Management Plan.

**Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees**

Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments: Habitat identified. Hollow-bearing trees and stick nests.
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments: Waypoint ID 256-278, 280-284, 501-539 (previously cleared or to be retained)
Nest boxes required?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments:

**Weeds**

Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
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**Environmental exclusion zones**

Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details: Not required due to disturbance caused by prior clearing.

**Unexpected Finds**



Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:

**Additional comments:**

- Ecologist required for clearing activities.
- Vegetation removal has previously occurred within easement.
- 4.96 ha of Squirrel Glider (*Petaurus norfolcensis*) mapped habitat within Disturbance Area B.
- Weeds to be managed in accordance with the Biosecurity Management Plan.
- Additional weeds: Nightshade (*Solanum sp.*), Paddy Melon (*Cucumis myriocarpus*), Paterson's Curse (*Echium plantagineum*), Spear Thistle (*Cirsium vulgare*), Horehound (*Marrubium vulgare*), Soursob (*Oxalis sp.*), Sow Thistle (*Sonchus oleraceus*), Witchgrass (*Panicum sp.*), Fleabane (*Erigeron sp.*), Capeweed (*Arctotheca calendula*), Medic (*Medicago sp.*)

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<b>Ecologist</b>	
Name	Hannah Roberts
Signature	
Date	14/06/2025
<b>Elecnor</b>	
Name	Julie Vaillancourt
Position	Environmental Advisor
Signature	
Date	31.08.2025

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General information	
Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Hannah Roberts Qualification: Ecologist(s)
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	08/08/2025
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Easement between Towers 205-236
Scope methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area informed by previous in field visual inspections (across multiple dates) by ecologists for the proposed disturbance area(s).

Pre-clearance Survey details					
Infrastructure surveyed					
Tower footprint	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Centreline	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Break and winch site, OPGW, EPZ, hurdle and/or crane pad site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Parking areas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Access track (existing)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Access track (new)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Disturbance Area B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Any other details:					
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 <sup>1,2</sup>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3.26	0.11 (mapped within easement)	EPBC Act Threatened Ecological Community
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Weeping Myall Woodlands <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>1,2</sup>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	43.77	13.36 (mapped within easement)	EPBC Act Threatened Ecological Community
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy <sup>1,2</sup>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	34.3	4.86 (mapped within easement)	Mapped vegetation
Habitat for Chariot Wheels <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea <sup>1,2</sup>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	11.08	8.73 (mapped)	Mapped vegetation

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**Pre-clearance Survey details**

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Notes:

- 1 Protected matter listed within the Notification of Approval EnergyConnect NSW - Eastern Section (EPBC 2020/8766)
- 2 Protected matter listed within the Revised Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (August 2022)

**Management measures required to avoid or minimise impacts to Protected Matters:**

- 0.53 Ha of critically endangered BC Act-listed TEC 'White Box Yellow Box Blakely's Red Gum grassy woodland and derived native grassland' mapped within easement.
- 0.15 Ha of endangered BC Act-listed TEC 'Inland Grey Box Woodland in the Riverina, NSW South Western Slopes, Cobar Penneplain, Nandewar and Brigalow Belt South Bioregions' mapped within easement.
- 6.04 Ha of critically endangered BC Act-listed TEC 'Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains' mapped within easement.
- Squirrel Glider (*Petaurus nofrolcensis*) habitat mapped within the impact area.
- Superb Parrot (*Polytelis swainsonii*) habitat mapped within the impact area.
- Lanky Button (*Leptorhynchus orientalis*) habitat mapped within the impact area.
- Plains Wanderer habitat identified within the project boundary, however due to construction methodology will not be impacted.
- All works within mapped Plains Wanderer habitat are to be undertaken in accordance with the Plains Wanderer Protocol and in consultation with the project ecologist.
- During clearing an ecologist shall be on site at all times to monitor activities within special biodiversity protection zones as per Biodiversity Management Plan.
- Exclusion zones to be installed to restrict access to protected matters outside the construction footprint.
- No additional mitigation measures required. Clearing works to be managed in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Management Plan.

**Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees**

Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments: Habitat identified. Hollow-bearing trees and stick nests.
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments: Waypoint ID 001B, 216, 217, 219-255, 285-296 (previously cleared or to be retained)
Nest boxes required?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments: Required for any additional tree removal. Pre-inspection of grassland, HBTs, and Plains Wanderer habitat in adjoining grassland recommended before any ground disturbance.

**Weeds**

Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Details: African Boxthorn ( <i>Lycium ferocissimum</i> )
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**Environmental exclusion zones**

Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Details: White-fronted Chat ( <i>Epthianura albifrons</i> ) and Grey-crowned Babbler ( <i>Pomatostomus temporalis</i> ) previously observed.
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Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Details: EPBC and BC Act Threatened Ecological Communities and threatened species habitat.
Unexpected Finds			
Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
Additional comments:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Flocks of Grey-crowned Babblers (<i>Pomatostomus temporalis</i>) and White-fronted Chat (<i>Epthianura albifrons</i>) (both vulnerable under the BC Act) previously observed actively foraging in habitat.</li> <li>- Hollow-bearing logs to be retained and moved outside the construction boundary for future use as fauna habitat.</li> <li>- Ecologist required for any tree removal and ground clearing activities (including clearance of grassland areas).</li> <li>- Weeds to be managed in accordance with the Biosecurity Management Plan.</li> <li>- Additional weeds: Flaxleaf Fleabane (<i>Erigeron bonariensis</i>), Paterson's Curse (<i>Echium plantagineum</i>), Spear Thistle (<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>), Paddy Melon (<i>Cucumis myriocarpus</i>), Black Nightshade (<i>Solanum nigrum</i>), Galvanized Burr (<i>Sclerolaena birchii</i>), Bathurst Burr (<i>Xanthium spinosum</i>), Common Dock (<i>Rumex</i> sp.), Horehound (<i>Marrubium vulgare</i>), Canadian Fleabane (<i>Erigeron canadensis</i>), African Lovegrass (<i>Eragrostis curvula</i>), Knotweed (<i>Polygonum aviculare</i>), Horseweed (<i>Erigeron canadensis</i>), Stinking Lovegrass (<i>Eragrostis cilianensis</i>), Sow Thistle (<i>Sonchus oleraceus</i>), <i>Oxalis</i> sp., <i>Avena</i> sp., Small-flowered Mallow (<i>Malva parviflora</i>), Prickly Lettuce (<i>Lactuca serriola</i>), Witchgrass (<i>Panicum capillare</i>), <i>Physalis hederifolia</i>, Hare's-foot Clover (<i>Trifolium arvense</i>), <i>Lepidium</i> sp., <i>Bromus</i> sp..</li> </ul>			

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Signature	
Date	08/08/2025
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General information	
Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Hannah Roberts and Scott Rolph Qualification: Ecologist(s)
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	30/08/2025
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Easement between Towers 246-250
Scope methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area informed by previous in field visual inspections (across multiple dates) by ecologists for the proposed disturbance area(s).

Pre-clearance Survey details					
Infrastructure surveyed					
Tower footprint	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Centreline	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Break and winch site, OPGW, EPZ, hurdle and/or crane pad site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Parking areas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Access track (existing)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Access track (new)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Disturbance Area B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Any other details:	Assessment includes easement between Tower 246-250 and does not extend beyond tower footprint at either end of this span.				
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 <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Weeping Myall Woodlands <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>1,2</sup>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	10.93	7.19 (mapped within B10)	EPBC Act Threatened Ecological Community
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Chariot Wheels <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea <sup>1,2</sup>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			Habitat mapped between Tower 249-250
Notes:					
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2 Protected matter listed within the Revised Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (August 2022)					

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**Pre-clearance Survey details**

**Management measures required to avoid or minimise impacts to Protected Matters:**

- 7.19 ha Critically endangered BC Act Threatened Ecological Community (*Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains*) identified within the impact area.
- Superb Parrot (*Polytelis swainsonii*) habitat mapped within the impact area.
- Small Scurf-pea (*Cullen parvum*) habitat mapped within the impact area.
- Slender Darling Pea (*Swainsona murrayana*) mapped within the impact area.
- During clearing an ecologist shall be on site at all times to monitor activities within special biodiversity protection zones as per Biodiversity Management Plan.
- Exclusion zones to be installed to restrict access to protected matters outside the construction footprint.
- No additional mitigation measures required. Clearing works to be managed in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Management Plan.

**Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees**

Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments: Habitat identified. Hollow-bearing trees and stick nests.
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments: Waypoint ID 851-853 (previously cleared or to be retained)
Nest boxes required?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments: Required for any additional tree removal. Pre-inspection of grassland and HBTs recommended before any ground disturbance.

**Weeds**

Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
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**Environmental exclusion zones**

Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Details: EPBC and BC Act Threatened Ecological Communities and threatened species habitat.

**Unexpected Finds**

Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:

**Additional comments:**

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- Ecologist required for any tree removal and ground clearing activities (including clearance of grassland areas).
- Hollow-bearing logs to be retained and moved outside the construction boundary for future use as fauna habitat.
- Weeds to be managed in accordance with the Biosecurity Management Plan.
- Additional weeds: Spear Thistle (*Cirsium vulgare*), Sow Thistle (*Sonchus oleraceus*), Small-flowered Mallow (*Malva parviflora*), Bathurst Burr (*Xanthium spinosum*), Paterson's Curse (*Echium plantagineum*), Capeweed (*Arctotheca calendula*), Dock (*Rumex* sp.), Paspalum (*Paspalum dilatatum*), Avena sp., Oxalis sp., Horehound (*Marrubium vulgare*), Galvanised Burr (*Sclerolaena birchii*), Paddy Melon (*Cucumis myriocarpus*), Barley Grass (*Hordeum* sp.).

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Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Scott Rolph Qualification: Ecologist
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	30/08/2025
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Easement between Towers 269-286
Scope methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area informed by previous in field visual inspections (across multiple dates) by ecologists for the proposed disturbance area(s).

Pre-clearance Survey details					
Infrastructure surveyed					
Tower footprint	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Centreline	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Break and winch site, OPGW, EPZ, hurdle and/or crane pad site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Parking areas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Access track (existing)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Access track (new)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Disturbance Area B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Any other details:	Assessment includes easement between Tower 269-286 and does not extend beyond tower footprint at either end of this span.				
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 <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Weeping Myall Woodlands <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>1,2</sup>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	96.73	22.6 (mapped within easement)	EPBC Act Threatened Ecological Community
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Chariot Wheels <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea <sup>1,2</sup>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	30.28	5.90 (mapped)	Mapped habitat and vegetation

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Pre-clearance Survey details			
			within easement)
Notes: 1 Protected matter listed within the Notification of Approval EnergyConnect NSW - Eastern Section (EPBC 2020/8766) 2 Protected matter listed within the Revised Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (August 2022)			
<b>Management measures required to avoid or minimise impacts to Protected Matters:</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 3.28ha of critically endangered EPBC Act-listed TEC 'Seasonal Herbaceous Wetlands (Freshwater) of the Temperate Lowland Plains - Critically Endangered' mapped within easement.</li> <li>- Small Scurf-pea (<i>Cullen parvum</i>) habitat mapped within the impact area.</li> <li>- Superb Parrot (<i>Polytelis swainsonii</i>) habitat mapped within the impact area.</li> <li>- Plains Wanderer habitat identified within the project boundary, however due to construction methodology will not be impacted.</li> <li>- All works within mapped Plains Wanderer habitat are to be undertaken in accordance with the Plains Wanderer Protocol and in consultation with the project ecologist.</li> <li>- During clearing an ecologist shall be on site at all times to monitor activities within special biodiversity protection zones as per Biodiversity Management Plan. Ecologist is not required for ground clearing in PCT 0 areas.</li> <li>- Exclusion zones to be installed to restrict access to protected matters outside the construction footprint.</li> <li>- No additional mitigation measures required. Clearing works to be managed in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Management Plan.</li> </ul>			
<b>Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees</b>			
Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments: Habitat identified. Hollow-bearing trees and stick nests.
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments: Waypoint ID 297, 299, 449B-453B, 962-965 (previously removed or to be retained)
Nest boxes required?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments: Required for any additional tree removal. Pre-inspection of grassland, HBTs and Plains Wanderer habitat in adjoining grassland recommended before any ground disturbance.
<b>Weeds</b>			
Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details: African Boxthorn ( <i>Lycium ferocissimum</i> ) and Silverleaf Nightshade ( <i>Solanum elaeagnifolium</i> ) previously observed.
<b>Environmental exclusion zones</b>			
Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Details: EPBC and BC Act Threatened Ecological Communities and threatened species habitat.
<b>Unexpected Finds</b>			

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Pre-clearance Survey details			
Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
<b>Additional comments:</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Exclusion zones to be installed prior to construction works commencing.</li> <li>- Ecologist required for any tree removal, and ground clearing activities in TEC habitat (including clearance of grassland areas).</li> <li>- Ecologist is not required for ground clearing in PCT 0 areas.</li> <li>- Weeds to be managed in accordance with the Biosecurity Management Plan.</li> <li>- Additional weeds: Canadian Fleabane (<i>Erigeron canadensis</i>), Galvanised Burr (<i>Sclerolaena birchii</i>), Horehound (<i>Marrubium vulgare</i>), Black Nightshade (<i>Solanum nigrum</i>), Wild Oat (<i>Avena</i> sp.), Flatweed (<i>Hypochaeris radicata</i>), <i>Lepidium</i> sp., Paterson’s Curse (<i>Echium plantagineum</i>), Flaxleaf Fleabane (<i>Erigeron bonariensis</i>), Horseweed (<i>Erigeron canadensis</i>), Bathurst Burr (<i>Xanthium spinosum</i>), Spear Thistle (<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>), Small-flowered Mallow (<i>Malva parviflora</i>), Burr Medic (<i>Medicago polymorpha</i>), Dock (<i>Rumex</i> sp.).</li> </ul>			

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Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	30/08/2025
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Easement between Towers 292-296
Scope methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area informed by previous in field visual inspections (across multiple dates) by ecologists for the proposed disturbance area(s).



Pre-clearance Survey details					
Infrastructure surveyed					
Tower footprint	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Centreline	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Break and winch site, OPGW, EPZ, hurdle and/or crane pad site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Parking areas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Access track (existing)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Access track (new)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Disturbance Area B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Any other details:	Assessment includes easement between Tower 292-296 and does not extend beyond tower footprint at either end of this span.				
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 <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Weeping Myall Woodlands <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Chariot Wheels <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
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Pre-clearance Survey details			
<b>Management measures required to avoid or minimise impacts to Protected Matters:</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No additional mitigation measures required. Clearing works to be managed in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Management Plan.</li> </ul>			
<b>Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees</b>			
Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments: WP 304, 305, 306, 307, 308-310, 311-320, 323 (previously removed or to be retained)
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Nest boxes required?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments: Required for any additional tree removal.
<b>Weeds</b>			
Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Details: African Boxthorn ( <i>Lycium ferocissimum</i> ) previously observed.
<b>Environmental exclusion zones</b>			
Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
<b>Unexpected Finds</b>			
Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
<b>Additional comments:</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ecologist required during tree clearing activities.</li> <li>Ecologist not required for ground clearing in PCT0 areas.</li> <li>Clearing activities previously undertaken in this area.</li> <li>Weeds to be managed in accordance with the Biosecurity Management Plan.</li> <li>Additional weed species: Bathurst Burr (<i>Xanthium spinosum</i>), Galvanised Burr (<i>Sclerolaena birchii</i>), Nettle sp., Spear Thistle (<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>), Black Nightshade (<i>Solanum nigrum</i>)</li> </ul>			

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Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Scott Rolph Qualification: Ecologist
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	30/08/2025
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Easement between Towers 302-304
Scope methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area In field visual inspection by ecologists of the proposed disturbance area

Pre-clearance Survey details					
Infrastructure surveyed					
Tower footprint	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Centreline	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Break and winch site, OPGW, EPZ, hurdle and/or crane pad site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Parking areas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Access track (existing)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Access track (new)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Disturbance Area B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Any other details:					
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 <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Weeping Myall Woodlands <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Chariot Wheels <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
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**Pre-clearance Survey details**

**Management measures required to avoid or minimise impacts to Protected Matters:**

- No additional mitigation measures required. Clearing works to be managed in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Management Plan.

**Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees**

Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Nest boxes required?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:

**Weeds**

Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
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**Environmental exclusion zones**

Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:

**Unexpected Finds**



Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:

**Additional comments:**

- Ecologist not required for clearing activities.
- Weeds to be managed in accordance with the Biosecurity Management Plan.
- Additional weeds: Rye Grass (*Lolium* sp.), Barley Grass (*Horedium* sp.), Witchgrass (*Panicum capillare*), Galvanised Burr (*Sclerolaena birchii*), Witchgrass (*Panicum capillare*), and Pasture grasses.

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General information	
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Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Scott Rolph Qualification: Ecologist
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	30/08/2025
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Easement between Towers 311-314
Scope methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area informed by previous in field visual inspections (across multiple dates) by ecologists for the proposed disturbance area(s).

Pre-clearance Survey details					
Infrastructure surveyed					
Tower footprint	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Centreline	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Break and winch site, OPGW, EPZ, hurdle and/or crane pad site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Parking areas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Access track (existing)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Access track (new)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Disturbance Area B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Any other details:					
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 <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Weeping Myall Woodlands <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0.45	0.07	EPBC Act Threatened Ecological Community
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Chariot Wheels <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
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**Pre-clearance Survey details**

**Management measures required to avoid or minimise impacts to Protected Matters:**

- No additional mitigation measures required. Clearing works to be managed in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Management Plan.

**Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees**

Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Nest boxes required?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:

**Weeds**

Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
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**Environmental exclusion zones**

Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Details: EPBC Act Threatened Ecological Community present

**Unexpected Finds**



Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:

**Additional comments:**

- Ecologist not required during clearing activities.
- Weeds to be managed in accordance with the Biosecurity Management Plan.
- Additional weeds: Witchgrass (*Panicum capillare*), Galvanised Burr (*Sclerolaena birchii*), Bathurst Burr (*Xanthium spinosum*), Flaxleaf Fleabane (*Erigeron bonariensis*), African Lovegrass (*Eragrostis curvula*).

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General information	
Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Scott Rolph Qualification: Ecologist
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	30/08/2025
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Easement between Towers 320-324
Scope methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area informed by previous in field visual inspections (across multiple dates) by ecologists for the proposed disturbance area(s).

Pre-clearance Survey details					
Infrastructure surveyed					
Tower footprint	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Centreline	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Break and winch site, OPGW, EPZ, hurdle and/or crane pad site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Parking areas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Access track (existing)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Access track (new)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Disturbance Area B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Any other details:					
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 <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Weeping Myall Woodlands <sup>1,2</sup>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0.28	0.28	EPBC Act Threatened Ecological Community
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Chariot Wheels <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Notes:					
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**Pre-clearance Survey details**

**Management measures required to avoid or minimise impacts to Protected Matters:**

- 0.28 ha Endangered Myall woodland in the Darling Riverine Plains, Brigalow Belt South, Cobar Penneplain, Murray-Darling Depression, Riverina and NSW South Western Slopes bioregion mapped within easement
- No additional mitigation measures required. Clearing works to be managed in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Management Plan.

**Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees**

Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Nest boxes required?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:

**Weeds**

Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Details: Silverleaf Nightshade ( <i>Solanum elaeagnifolium</i> ) plants previously observed in the area.
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**Environmental exclusion zones**

Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details: EPBC and BC Act Threatened Ecological Communities

**Unexpected Finds**

Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:

**Additional comments:**

- Ecologist not required during clearing activities.
- Weeds to be managed in accordance with the Biosecurity Management Plan.
- Additional weeds: Bathurst Burr (*Xanthium spinosum*), *Lepidium* sp., Horseweed (*Erigeron canadensis*), Galvanised Burr (*Sclerolaena birchii*), Flaxleaf Fleabane (*Erigeron bonariensis*), African Lovegrass (*Eragrostis curvula*), Paterson's Curse (*Echium plantagineum*), Stink-grass (*Eragrostis cilianensis*), Curled Dock (*Rumex crispus*).

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Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	30/08/2025
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Easement between Towers 330-336
Scope methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area informed by previous in field visual inspections (across multiple dates) by ecologists for the proposed disturbance area(s).



Pre-clearance Survey details					
Infrastructure surveyed					
Tower footprint	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Centreline	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Break and winch site, OPGW, EPZ, hurdle and/or crane pad site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Parking areas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Access track (existing)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Access track (new)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Disturbance Area B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Any other details:					
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 <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Weeping Myall Woodlands <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Chariot Wheels <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea <sup>1,2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
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Pre-clearance Survey details			
<b>Management measures required to avoid or minimise impacts to Protected Matters:</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A Spear-Grass (<i>Austrostipa wakoolica</i>) habitat mapped within the impact area.</li> <li>- Lanky Button (<i>Leptorhynchos orientalis</i>) habitat mapped within the impact area.</li> <li>- Silky Swainson-pea (<i>Swainsona sericea</i>) habitat mapped within the impact area.</li> <li>- No additional mitigation measures required. Clearing works to be managed in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Management Plan.</li> </ul>			
<b>Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees</b>			
Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Nest boxes required?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments: Pre-inspection of grassland recommended before any ground disturbance, suitable reptile habitat identified.
<b>Weeds</b>			
Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Details: African Boxthorn ( <i>Lycium ferocissimum</i> ) previously observed in area.
<b>Environmental exclusion zones</b>			
Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
<b>Unexpected Finds</b>			
Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
<b>Additional comments:</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ecologist to be present during ground clearing activities (including clearance of grassland areas).</li> <li>- Weeds to be managed in accordance with the Biosecurity Management Plan.</li> <li>- Additional weeds: Bathurst Burr (<i>Xanthium spinosum</i>), Galvanised Burr (<i>Sclerolaena birchii</i>), Avena sp., Rye Grass (<i>Lolium</i> sp.), <i>Heliotropium</i> sp., Burr Medic (<i>Medicago polymorpha</i>).</li> </ul>			

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