

→ Blythdale, Fairview and Fairview South Substations Project



FACT SHEET: How to make a submission on Powerlink's 'Notice of proposed Ministerial designation of land for community infrastructure under the Sustainable Planning Act 2009'

→ Making a submission on the proposed Ministerial designation

Powerlink has been requested by Santos GLNG to establish direct connections into the high voltage transmission network to supply power to its future gas processing facilities in the area west of Wandoan and east of Injune.

To meet this request, Powerlink has commenced three projects to identify and acquire the necessary easements and land for the proposed infrastructure. The substation component of the project includes three proposed substations to be known as Blythdale, Fairview and Fairview South.

A comprehensive Environmental Impact Assessment was completed in July 2013 for the proposed substations and the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) has now been released.

The Final EIS confirms the final location for the Blythdale, Fairview, and Fairview South substations considering all relevant environmental, social and economic factors, and concludes that there are no social, environmental or cultural heritage matters that would prevent the project from proceeding. The report also provides information about the proposed designation of land and development for the community infrastructure.

In June and July 2013, Powerlink wrote to all stakeholders, including landowners who are expected to have their property directly affected by the proposed project, advising of its intention to seek Ministerial designation of the land required for the project.

All interested parties are invited to comment on Powerlink's proposal to seek Ministerial designation.

This fact sheet provides advice on how to make a submission on the proposed designation.

→ Where do I find the 'Notice of proposed Ministerial designation of land for community infrastructure under the Sustainable Planning Act 2009' and Final EIS?

- Telephone Powerlink on FREECALL 1800 635 369 (business hours) to request an electronic copy.
- Download a copy from the Powerlink website at www.powerlink.com.au (go to 'Projects/Southern/Transmission network extension in North West Surat').

Copies of the Final EIS report are also on display at Council libraries in Roma, Injune, Wandoan and Taroom.

→ What information is required to make a submission?

When making a submission on the proposed designation it should:

- be in writing, dated and signed by each person or entity who made the submission
- state the name and address of each person or entity who made the submission
- state the grounds of the submission and the facts and circumstances relied on in support of the grounds.

→ Who can make a submission?

Any person or entity may make a submission about any aspect of the proposed designation.

→ How should I format my submission?

The length of a submission, and the amount of detail included in it, is left to the discretion of the author. Submissions can be written in report style, letter format or can take the form of a fax or email. The submission should be word-processed in a simple font (preferably Arial or Times New Roman) or hand-written in black or blue ink.

Please include and refer to the numbered sections of the Final EIS, so that the reviewer is able to easily identify and address the matters raised in your submission.

You may choose to include a table of contents and to categorise each section into headings. If there are a range of matters you wish to comment on, separate them by using numbered sections.

Powerlink can offer landowners support to help prepare a submission on the proposed designation, such as a submission writer. If you would like to access this support call the Project Manager on the number provided below.

→ When are submissions due?

Written submissions on Powerlink's proposal to seek Ministerial designation are to be received on or before **5pm** on the last day of the submission period, **Friday, 9 August 2013**.

→ Where should I send my submission?

Submissions can be posted or emailed to:

Blythdale, Fairview and Fairview South Substations Project
Nicole Boulton – Project Manager
Powerlink Queensland
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VIRGINIA QLD 4014
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What are the steps in the process?

1. Landowners, stakeholders and other interested parties prepare and lodge a submission.
2. All submissions that comply with the requirements outlined in this document are reviewed by Powerlink.
3. Powerlink identifies and considers the comments received and issues raised.
4. Powerlink sends each submitter a letter outlining a response to the issues raised and the intention to provide a copy of the submission and the letter to the Minister.
5. Powerlink applies to the relevant State Government Minister (usually the Minister responsible for energy) for the land to be designated for the proposed substations. The Final EIS, the submissions received on the proposed designation, and responses to those submissions become part of the application to the Minister.
6. The Minister determines whether to designate the land.
7. Landowners will be advised about the completion of the Ministerial designation process, which is expected to occur in early 2014.

What is Ministerial designation?

Ministerial designation is a planning approval process that allows for infrastructure works to be built on specified land. Before constructing the proposed substations Powerlink will ask the relevant State Government Minister to designate the land for community infrastructure ('electricity works'), under the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009*. The process of designation does not change ownership of land.

Any questions about the proposed designation should be directed to Nicole Boulton at Powerlink Queensland on FREECALL telephone 1800 635 369 (during business hours), fax (07) 3860 2400 or at email address property.designation@powerlink.com.au.