

Borumba Pumped Hydro Project

Update February 2022

The Queensland Government and Powerlink are undertaking investigations at Borumba Dam to help determine if it's suitable for a pumped hydro energy storage facility.

This project update outlines the activities that have commenced during February 2022 and provides information on the next community drop-in sessions.



What's happening?

The Borumba project team has started early geotechnical work at sites around Borumba Dam. The early works involve small-scale drilling to investigate geological aspects of the area, including soil and rock properties.

The investigations are being conducted by two crews using small geotechnical drilling rigs throughout February. The project team will seek to minimise any impacts on the community during this time.

Investigations will focus on three main areas around Borumba Dam, including the proposed location of the new dam wall, the upper reservoir, and the underground power station. Results from these geotechnical investigations will play an important role in developing the project design.

Over the coming months our investigations will include detailed hydrological modelling, environmental surveys, local community and economic assessment, engineering design and financial modelling.



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Site visit

The Minister for Energy, Renewables and Hydrogen and Minister for Public Works and Procurement, the Honourable Mick De Brenni and the Borumba project team visited Borumba Dam on 1 February 2022. Minister De Brenni and the project team observed onsite geotechnical activities and met with stakeholder groups representing economic development, environmental and recreational interests.



Have your say

The project team is committed to engaging early and often with the community to ensure the project sees long-term benefits for the local community, Queenslanders and businesses. Community members are encouraged to have their say on the project by attending a drop-in session, using the interactive project map or contacting the project team via our communication channels outlined below.

Community drop-in sessions

To find out more about the project, provide feedback or speak to the project team, come along to one of our community drop-in sessions. The drop-in sessions, taking place on 23 and 24 March 2022, will update the community on the planned studies for 2022, project engineering design and early hydrological modelling.

SESSION 1:

WHEN: Wednesday 23 March 2022, 3pm - 7pm

WHERE: Mary Valley Memorial Hall, 127 Yabba Road, Imbil

SESSION 2:

WHEN: Thursday 24 March, 3pm - 7pm

WHERE: The Smith Room at The Pavilion Conference & Reception Centre, Adrian McClintock Park, 77 Exhibition Rd Southside, Gympie

Interactive project map

Visit our website to have your say about the project via our [interactive project map](#).

Using the interactive map, you can place markers to share your local insights, feedback, ideas or concerns directly onto the map.



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Visit the project web page www.powerlink.com.au/borumba to register your interest in the project



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