

DELIVERING THE FUTURE TRANSMISSION NETWORK

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Queensland's future power system



2022



2035

4GW renewable generation

8.1GW coal generation

Firming & storage mainly
comes from coal & gas

Low demand growth

High amount of rooftop solar

25GW renewable generation

Some coal-fired generation remains,
repurposed for system strength & inertia

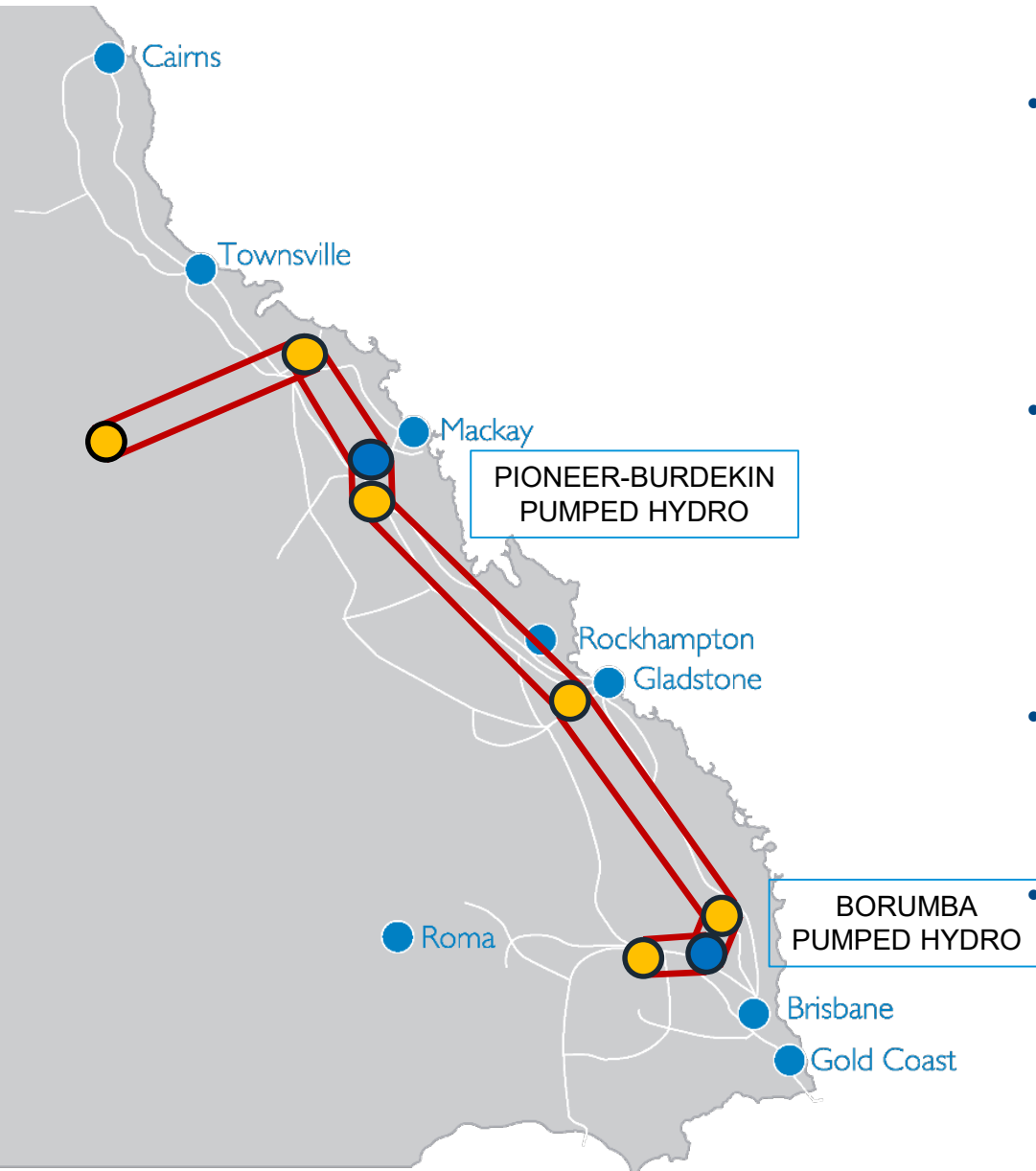
Firmed by at least **6GW** of long-duration
storage, **3GW** of utility-scale batteries,
3GW of hydrogen-ready gas-fuelled plant

Electrification of heavy industry

Opportunities for greater flexibility
on the demand side

Continued rooftop solar growth

Upgrading the transmission network



- Stage 1: Borumba Pumped Hydro transmission connection
 - Planned capacity of up to 2GW
 - Two connection points ~\$800M
 - Commissioning works in 2029
- Stage 2: Central Queensland Connection
 - 290 kilometre connection
 - Support Central Queensland REZ renewable generation developments
 - Commissioning planned in 2031
- Stage 3: Pioneer-Burdekin Pumped Hydro and North Queensland connection
 - Operational date in 2032.
- Stage 4: Connection to Hughenden Area (Clean Energy Hub)
 - Commissioning planned in 2036

Question

How can Powerlink best plan the development of its network to ensure an integrated approach that delivers whole-of system benefits?