

Wambo Wind Farm Connection Project

May 2023

Dear resident,

We are writing with an update on activities for Powerlink's Wambo Wind Farm Connection Project.



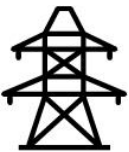
Project overview

Powerlink has been engaged by the Wambo Wind Farm developers, Cubico Sustainable Investments and Stanwell Corporation, to connect the proposed development to our existing transmission network. This requires construction of a double circuit 275kV transmission line between a proposed substation at Diamondy on the Wambo Wind Farm site and Powerlink's existing Halys Substation (located 11km south east of Kumbia township).



Compensation meetings

Our project team are in the second week of compensation negotiations. We are currently meeting with landholders at the eastern end of the transmission line and will progressively move west along the alignment. If you haven't heard from us yet, we will be in contact shortly to arrange a time to meet that is convenient to you to discuss compensation arrangements.



Transmission tower removal

From mid-May our project team will start works to remove the existing decommissioned transmission towers and line on your property. We will establish work sites along the alignment which will include installation of equipment and heavy machinery. You will also notice an increase in vehicle movements during this time.

Removal of the 132kV transmission line will commence after site establishment. The project team will start at the western end of the transmission line and continue east. Transmission line conductors (wires) will be lowered to the ground and winched onto cable drums for recycling. Where conductors are removed above a public road, short traffic delays may occur. Traffic controllers will be in place to minimise delays and maintain safety.

Demolition of towers will commence after line removal, using two different methods on a case-by-case basis. Method one will involve winching the tower and allowing it to fall safely to the ground, while method two will use a crane to safely lower the tower.

Our project team will have spotters present to monitor livestock in the area and activities will be suspended if livestock approach work sites. Tower removal activities are estimated to take around five weeks per property. In some circumstances works may take longer due to terrain and property size. These works are expected to be completed on all properties by September 2023. If this timing changes, we will keep you updated.



Ongoing preliminary works

Our project team will continue to work west to east upgrading access tracks and installing gates along the alignment. We will be in contact to arrange a suitable time to meet on-site to discuss any suggestions you may have to ensure these works are completed efficiently with minimal disruption to your business and farming operations.

Future works

Construction of the new 275kV transmission line is scheduled to commence in late 2023 and be completed in 2024. Timings may change pending weather and crew availability. We will continue to keep you informed about all property-specific activities during the project's construction phase.



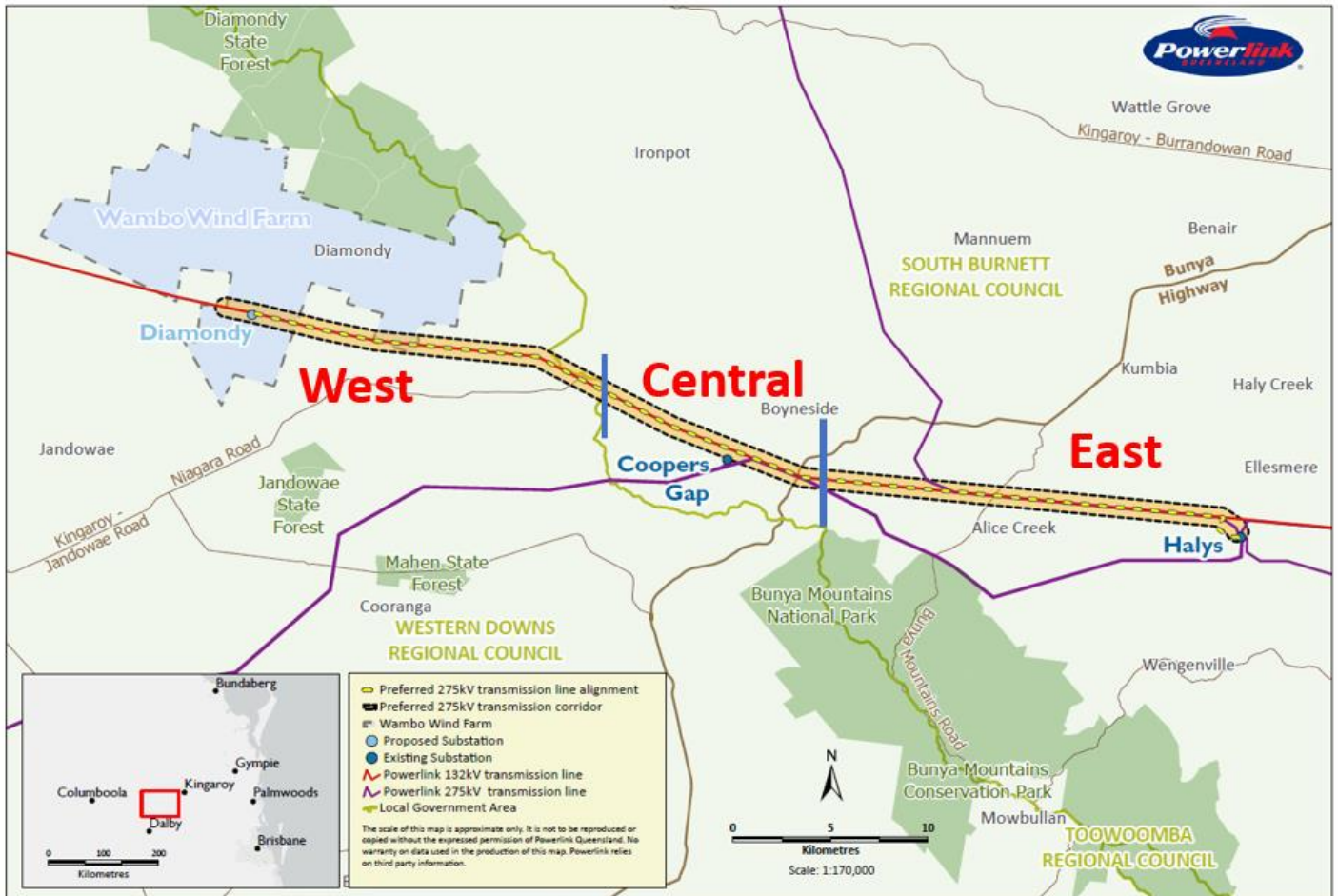


Minimising potential impacts

We are committed to safely managing any potential impacts associated with these on-ground works. At all times, we aim to conduct our activities with as little disruption as possible.

Powerlink also recognises the effective prevention of weeds, pathogens and pests is a priority. We comply with the *Biosecurity Act 2014* and take all reasonable and practical actions to ensure our activities do not introduce or spread biosecurity matter.

Work locations



Further information

We will keep you updated as this work progresses. If you would like any further information, please don't hesitate to contact:

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We thank you for your patience as we undertake this important work.

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