

Bayview Heights to Davies Creek Transmission Line Refit Project Recommencement of on-ground works

March 2024

Dear stakeholder,

We are writing to inform you about refit works recommencing on 11 transmission towers from mid-March 2024 on Powerlink's Bayview Heights to Davies Creek transmission line, located in your area.

The project commenced in 2023, with a total of 21 transmission towers to be refitted by the end of 2025. A refit project extends the life of existing towers and is a cost-effective solution to ensure our transmission network continues to safely, and reliably support existing and future network demand.

Overview of work



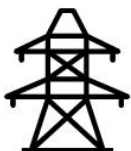
- Activities will vary at each tower site and may include:
 - checking and replacing any corroded nuts, bolts and steelwork
 - re-installing or upgrading earthing systems
 - replacing tower signs and anti-climbing barriers
 - foundation strengthening works
 - cleaning, surface preparation and hand painting of towers.
- Powerlink staff and contractors will access allocated towers over multiple visits to complete different activities. No power outages are required for these works.

How this may impact you



- During the dry season between April and December 2024 (Monday – Saturday), some transmission towers located in the Copperlode Falls Dam area require access via Lake Morris Road.
- Construction traffic will travel in a convoy where possible, to minimise potential impacts and maintain safety considerations for other road users.
- Due to the number of community and recreational groups that use this stretch of road for training and events, it is important that local groups are aware of these impacts. Powerlink will provide regular updates as work progresses.

Cleaning, surface preparation and hand painting of towers



- Towers are prepared using a pressurised water stream containing garnet to remove any rust and leave clean steel.
- Garnet is a natural, non-toxic material commonly used by the building, energy and maritime industries.
- Tower painting is done by hand to reduce the likelihood of paint drifting from the immediate area.





Timeframes

- Our working hours are typically between 6.30am and 6.30pm, Monday to Saturday.
- Transmission tower cleaning and surface preparation work, prior to hand-painting, is expected to recommence in your area from mid-March 2024 through to December 2024 (weather and site conditions dependent).
- As works can only be conducted during the dry season, full completion of the project is expected in December 2025.



Biosecurity

- Powerlink will undertake all reasonable actions to fulfil our general biosecurity obligation under the *Biosecurity Act 2014* to ensure that in carrying out our activities, we do not spread or introduce biosecurity matter (weeds, pests, pathogens and diseases).
- Our environmental management requirements will ensure this tower preparation work only occurs in favourable weather conditions, is regularly monitored and the immediate area is protected.
- We are committed to working with landholders to determine practicable and risk-based biosecurity management requirements.

Further information

Powerlink is committed to keeping you informed about our activities. If you would like any further information, please contact:

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Powerlink thanks you for your patience while we undertake this important work.

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