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Yabulu BESS Connection Project

NOTIFICATION OF UPCOMING WORKS

Dear resident,

We are writing to advise you of upcoming works near your property as part of Powerlink's Yabulu Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) Connection Project.



PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Yabulu BESS Connection Project will connect Gentari's 200MW Yabulu BESS to Powerlink's transmission network via the existing Yabulu South Substation near Townsville.

Powerlink's scope of works involves:

- a new bay in the existing 132kV Yabulu South Substation
- a new 132kV single-circuit overhead transmission line, about 800 metres long, between the new bay at Yabulu South Substation and the Yabulu BESS boundary.

Construction works started in **June 2026**, with the site mobilisation and bulk earthworks now complete.

The remaining works are expected to be completed by **early 2027** (weather dependent) with testing and commissioning scheduled for **mid-2027**.

The works will not result in any planned electricity outages, and we will keep you updated on activities and timings as the project progresses.

We greatly appreciate your ongoing patience as we deliver these works.



WHAT TO EXPECT DURING THE WORKS

Over the coming months, crews will carry out excavation and concrete works and install key transmission infrastructure, including high voltage plant, transmission poles and overhead line.

Work crews will be on-site between **6am and 5pm, Monday to Friday, with work also occurring on alternating weekends**.

Various machinery will be used on-site including cranes, concrete trucks, drill rigs, elevated work platforms and small excavators.

You may notice increased traffic movement on local roads with crews and delivery trucks travelling to and from site.

We will work to minimise potential impacts from our activities wherever possible.



POWERLINK'S ROLE IN THE CONNECTION PROCESS

In addition to developing, managing and operating the high voltage transmission network and associated infrastructure, Powerlink also connects electricity generation projects, such as battery storage, to our network.

Powerlink manages electricity connection applications to the Queensland transmission network in accordance with the National Electricity Rules.

Powerlink must make an offer to connect if the developer satisfies certain criteria under the National Electricity Rules.

For more information, please visit powerlink.com.au/brochures/connections-and-confidentiality.



FURTHER INFORMATION

If you would like any further information on this project, please visit powerlink.com.au/yabulu or contact our project team on 07 4034 7600 or at nqprojects@powerlink.com.au.

About Powerlink Queensland

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