



PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT WALLA WALLA SOLAR FARM

Benambra Road, Walla Walla - NSW



PROJECT OVERVIEW

LOCATION & MOTIVATION

Location

- ~4.3 km north-east of Walla Walla, Greater Hume Council area, NSW
- 614 ha on Lots 16, 17, 20, 21, 87, 88, 89, 108, 109 118 of DP 753735, and Lot 1 DP 1069452. Site access is off of Benambra Road
- Existing agricultural land (paddocks with mainly exotic ground covers); some native vegetation mainly along waterways. (Back Creek runs west-east and south-east through proposed development land)

Motivation (for location)

- Low regional visibility (no prominent or high topography)
- Not located within a residential zone or urbanised area, nor is it located on Strategic Agricultural Land
- Excellent solar exposure
- Excellent access to local and major roads
- Excellent access to the grid transmission network
- Likely low level of environmental impact (site already cleared and disturbed)

KEY INFRASTRUCTURE

- 935,000 steel frame-mounted photovoltaic (PV) solar panels, generating approximately 300 MW (AC) of renewable energy
- Inverters, a transformer and electrical conduits
- On-site sub-station
- Site office, site compound, vehicle parking areas, access tracks and perimeter fencing
- 330 kV electrical transmission line, connecting solar farm to the existing Jindera-Wagga Wagga transmission line



POSSIBLE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

A preliminary environmental risk assessment has been conducted, highlighting key environmental and social matters that would require detailed assessment. These include:

- Biodiversity
- Aboriginal heritage
- Visual amenity
- Construction noise
- Land use and resources
- Watercourses and hydrology



POSSIBLE SOCIAL BENEFITS

- 300+ direct jobs and indirect supply chain jobs during construction
- 1 - 2 full-time staff during operation
- Contribution to future possible reduced energy prices
- Diversification of local land use - additional / alternative source of income and economic activity, and indirect support industry growth
- Alignment with NSW Renewable Energy Action Plan - promoting energy security through diversified sources, reducing coal dependence, lowering emission energy sources

TIME LINES

- Construction: 12 - 18 months
- Operation: 30 years
- Decommissioned, or upgraded; depending on regional planning needs at that time.



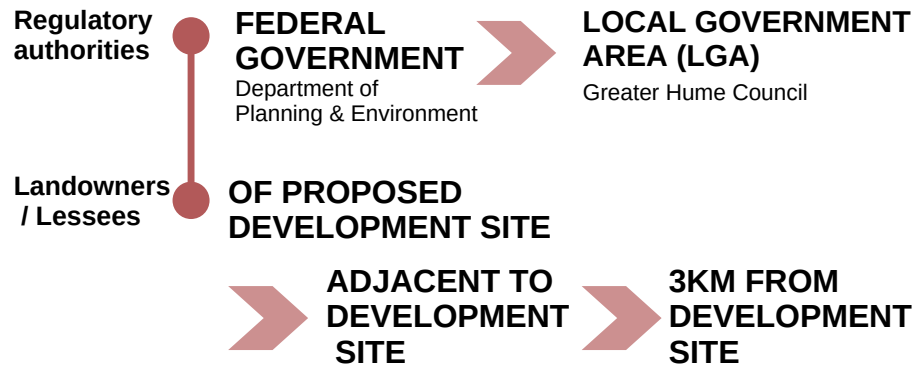
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COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

INTERESTED & AFFECTED PARTIES (I&APs)



HOW CAN YOU GET INVOLVED?

There will be an opportunity to find out more about the project during two upcoming community meetings. Key affected landowners will also be contacted personally. Should you wish to attend the meetings, or raise any comments before then, please contact:

Ms Raina Hattingh - Community Liaison Officer

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COMMUNITY CONSULTATION APPROACH

