

The Tragowel BESS is a proposed battery storage project designed to improve energy reliability and deliver lasting benefits for the local community.

The Tragowel battery energy storage system (BESS) is a proposed 200 MW/800 MWh utility-scale energy storage project, located approximately 7 kilometres south of Kerang, within the Shire of Gannawarra. Sited close to the Kerang Terminal Station, this strategic location ensures strong connectivity to the local electricity grid, making it a crucial infrastructure project for the region.

Supporting local energy reliability

The proposed Tragowel BESS would help to strengthen the local electricity network. A BESS is designed to store surplus energy, when customer demand is low and release it when demand is high, supporting a more stable, efficient, and reliable supply of power.

This technology helps manage fluctuations in the electrical grid and can ease pressure, especially during busy periods. By doing so, the Tragowel BESS would help contribute to keeping electricity reliable and affordable for homes and businesses across northern Victoria and beyond.

Helping power a cleaner future

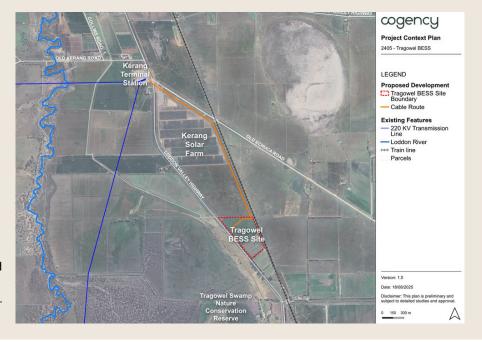
The proposed Tragowel BESS would support local jobs and procurement during construction, with ongoing opportunities for regional contractors and suppliers. Green Switch Australia and Potentia Energy are committed to creating lasting value by prioritising community needs and building strong local partnerships.

The project would improve how renewable energy is stored and used, helping Victoria transition to a cleaner, more sustainable energy system. Strengthening infrastructure like this not only future-proofs our energy network but also delivers long-term benefits for the community.

Why this site?

The proposed site for the project has been carefully chosen for its suitability to support the Tragowel BESS and its associated infrastructure. The site is flat and has been historically used for grazing and cropping. Its location near the Kerang Terminal Station allows for a direct connection to the electricity network.

Existing roadside vegetation helps screen the site from view, reducing visual impacts from nearby roads and properties. The site also has direct access to the Loddon Valley Highway, meaning no upgrades are needed to local roads, and minimal disruption is expected during construction and operation.



Meet the developers

The project is being developed by Green Switch Australia and Potentia Energy, two experienced renewable energy companies with a strong track record delivering large-scale solar and battery storage projects across Australia and internationally. Both developers are committed to respectful, transparent and collaborative engagement with communities, landholders and Traditional Custodians throughout every stage of project development.

Green Switch Australia operates across Victoria, NSW and the ACT, and brings over 20 years of combined local and international experience. Since 2015, the team has delivered more than 200 renewable energy projects and is focused on building long-term, genuine relationships with host communities.

Potentia Energy is a leading Australian asset owner and developer with an expanding portfolio of utility-scale wind, solar and battery storage projects, including the Cohuna and Girgarre Solar Farms in Victoria. Its community engagement is guided by a "Creating Shared Value" philosophy, which ensures projects are developed in line with local priorities and include tailored benefit-sharing initiatives that deliver lasting value to communities.

Planning process	
	Site selection and preliminary investigations
	Technical assessment and community engagement
	Planning Application preparation
	Planning Application submission and assessment
	Public exhibition and community submissions
	Planning approval
	Grid connection approval *subject to Planning Approval
	Construction *subject to Planning Approval
	Operation *subject to Planning Approval

Technical studies

We are currently carrying out a suite of technical studies to inform the Planning Application.

The following technical studies are underway:

- Biodiversity Assessment
- Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Due Diligence Assessment
- Agricultural Impact Assessment
- · Transport Impact Assessment
- Noise Impact Assessment
- · Fire Hazard and Risk Assessment
- Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment
- Hydrology and Flooding Impact Assessment and Stormwater Management Strategy

Want to know more?

We welcome community feedback to better understand local values and priorities, and inform planning for potential benefit sharing initiatives to be undertaken by the project.

Scan the QR code for our Community Survey!



We will reach out again when the Planning Application is on public exhibition in the coming month and share further details around the second Community Drop In Session.

Should you have any questions, please reach out to our friendly team for further information or to request a meeting.

Contact us



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