

# Goondiwindi Renewable Energy Hub

## Factsheet

EIWA Energy, an Australian renewable energy developer, is proposing the Goondiwindi Renewable Energy Hub in Whetstone.

### PROJECT AT A GLANCE

-  1.2 GW, eight-hour Battery Energy Storage System
-  200 MW solar project
-  New substation to support grid connection
-  Construction period of up to 24 months
-  Peak construction workforce of 600 to 800 workers
-  Up to 15 full-time employees during operations
-  Operational life of at least 30 years

### PROJECT BENEFITS

- Zero-emission electricity generation.
- Contribution to the renewable energy transition.
- Storage that improves grid reliability with backup power when bulk supply is offline.
- Storage that smooths out the supply-demand balance in Queensland, helping to reduce peak power costs.
- Located on the Queensland-NSW Interconnector (QNI), allowing the project to smooth out supply and demand imbalances between the states.
- Local jobs and supplier opportunities.

### THE PLANNING PATHWAY

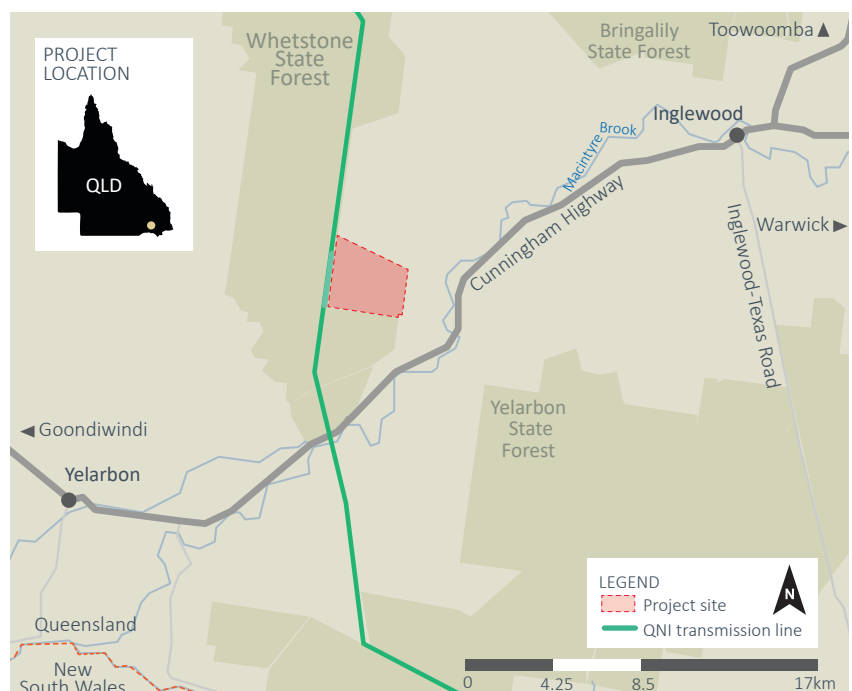
Based on ecology, bushfire/hazard and cultural heritage reports, EIWA Energy has developed a layout that avoids negative impacts.

EIWA Energy is also preparing technical studies covering social impacts, traffic, and economic benefits.

After a Community Benefit Agreement is reached with Goondiwindi Regional Council, EIWA Energy will be seeking planning approval from the State Assessment Referral Agency.

The community will have opportunities to view information, ask questions and provide feedback as the Project develops.

### LOCATION



## COMMUNITY BENEFITS

### Community Benefit Agreement

A Community Benefit Agreement will be negotiated with Goondiwindi Regional Council based on a Social Impact Assessment informed by community priorities raised through engagement.

### Feedback-led priorities

Input gathered during engagement activities will help shape initiatives that could deliver meaningful local benefit.

### Shared value

The Project will explore ways to support local outcomes during development, construction and operation.

## COMMITMENT TO THE COMMUNITY

EIWA Energy is committed to developing “win/win” solutions and values community feedback as a central part of the assessment process. Input from the community not only helps avoid potential impacts but also contributes to solutions that benefit everyone.

As plans for the proposed Goondiwindi Renewable Energy Hub progress, EIWA Energy remains committed to ongoing engagement with neighbours and the broader community to ensure everyone stays informed. EIWA Energy will achieve this through a combination of in-person and online engagement communication activities.

## INDICATIVE TIMELINE



## HELP SHAPE THE PROJECT

EIWA Energy has engaged Social Performance Partners (SPP) to prepare the project’s Social Impact Assessment, supported by community consultation. Over the coming months, the SPP team will seek feedback, local knowledge and ideas through a range of engagement activities informed by discussions with the Council and key stakeholders.

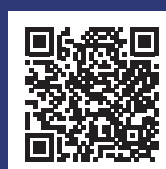
Your feedback will help identify potential social impacts, shape management measures and inform opportunities to include in the Community Benefit Agreement that deliver lasting benefits for the Goondiwindi community.

## ABOUT EIWA ENERGY

EIWA Energy has a portfolio of 16 renewable energy projects in Queensland, New South Wales, Western Australia and New Zealand. These range from early-stage investigation and construction-ready projects through to operational. The projects combine BESS, solar, and wind.

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