

# HumeLink West Sustainability Policy



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## Purpose

This Policy outlines our sustainability management commitments for minimising environmental impacts, optimising social outcomes, fostering economic resilience, and continually improving our practices to contribute positively to the well-being of both current and future generations.

## Application

This Policy is applicable to all employees and third parties under the management control of the HumeLink Joint Venture (HLJV), including alliances. It extends across all divisions of the organisation involved in the HumeLink West Project.

## To achieve our sustainability management objectives, we will:

- **Integrate Sustainability:** We will establish project systems and processes, underpinned by strong project leadership, to ensure a shared responsibility for enhancing sustainability outcomes.
- **Achieve Certification:** We will seek certification for the HumeLink West project under the Infrastructure Sustainability Council's (ISC) IS Rating tool for Design and As Built.
- **Minimise our Environmental Footprint:** We are committed to minimising the environmental footprint during construction and operations by reducing energy, water, and resource consumption, minimising waste to landfill, and exploring renewable energy options.
- **Preserve Heritage and Environmental Values:** Our approach includes safeguarding and, whenever feasible, enhancing heritage and environmental values through appropriate design, planning, and management controls.
- **Build Expertise:** We will enhance the knowledge, awareness, and skills of our employees, contractors, and impactful suppliers by providing relevant training, information, and resources.
- **Ensure Climate Resilience:** Our commitment extends to delivering infrastructure that is resilient and adaptable to future challenges by assessing and responding to climate change.
- **Engage with the Community:** We will engage regularly and genuinely with communities and stakeholders to minimise project impacts while generating positive community outcomes.
- **Collaborate with Local and Indigenous Suppliers:** We will collaborate with local, regional, and Indigenous suppliers to foster innovative solutions, encourage sustainable practices, and promote the use of sustainable materials.
- **Create Economic Growth:** Our efforts will enhance local and regional economic growth through procurement practices, partnerships, and workforce development initiatives that leave a positive and legacy for our communities and stakeholders.
- **Integrate sustainability in Procurement:** We are committed to integrating social, environmental, and economic aspects into the procurement process.

The HLJV is dedicated to leading, providing strong systems, and allocating resources to achieve outstanding sustainability results for the HumeLink West Project. We will collaborate closely with Transgrid and the HumeLink East delivery partners to optimise sustainability outcomes.

Our Project Director and the Sustainability Manager will ensure the integration of sustainability into the HumeLink West Project. The policy's objectives will be implemented by JV staff, subcontractors, and suppliers.