

A photograph showing two men in work clothes standing in a field, talking. In the background, a large blue tractor is parked. The scene is set in a rural, open landscape under a clear sky.

CENTRAL-WEST ORANA REZ TRANSMISSION

Land access

FACT SHEET

Transgrid is working with the NSW Government to plan new transmission infrastructure for Australia's first coordinated Renewable Energy Zone (REZ) in the State's Central-West Orana region.

Investment in the new infrastructure will allow renewable energy providers from the region to connect to the grid and enable more affordable, reliable and clean energy for New South Wales customers.

The project has received funding from the Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA) as part of ARENA's Advancing Renewables Program.

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The Central-West Orana REZ Transmission project is in its early stages and Transgrid is conducting preliminary field studies that will help identify a preferred route corridor.

These studies are part of a preliminary environmental assessment which will inform the route design and will be included in the formal planning process.

Access to private land may be required to conduct these studies, which include environmental, geotechnical and cultural heritage surveys.

What to expect

If access to private land is required, a Transgrid representative will contact you to introduce the project and explain why property access is needed. A land access consent form will be provided, which will include:

- The type of activities (such as ecology surveys) proposed to be conducted and proposed locations
- Timeframes for the activities to be completed
- Conditions required to access the site
- Any remediation to be undertaken once activities are completed.

Transgrid representatives will not conduct any activities on private land unless prior consent has been received.

What is a Renewable Energy Zone?

REZs are the modern-day equivalent of traditional power stations, combining large scale generation (such as solar and wind), transmission, connection infrastructure and storage to ensure secure, affordable and reliable energy.



What are the types of activities proposed?

Transgrid needs to conduct a range of preliminary activities including surveys, assessments and other investigations. These activities are generally non-invasive and will be used to inform the design and planning approval of the Central-West Orana REZ Transmission.

Examples of the preliminary activities include:

- Environmental and ecological surveys
- Geotechnical investigations
- Cultural heritage surveys.

More detailed information about the specific activities proposed on your land will be discussed with you.

How will we work together?

Transgrid is committed to working with landowners to minimise the impact of our activities on property operations. As guests on your property we will at all times act with respect and courtesy.

To ensure that our discussions with landowners are constructive we have developed principles to shape how we work together.

These principles reflect that we will:

- Communicate openly and honestly
- Act respectfully and collaboratively
- Incorporate feedback into the decision-making process.

Should you wish to provide feedback on the conduct or activities of any Transgrid representative you can contact your dedicated Land Access Consultant. Alternatively, you can connect with any member of the Community Engagement team via the details below.

Transgrid is committed to working with landowners and communities to develop a route for the transmission lines that minimises impacts on properties, local communities and the environment.

To share your views or find out more about the Central-West Orana REZ Transmission, please contact us.