

**Table 1 - Information**

Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) Completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Kristen Vickery Qualification: Ecologist
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	05/01/24
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey Location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L2 Disturbance Area B (662-660)
Scope Methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area In field visual inspection by ecologists of:  - Disturbance Area B  Pre-clearance survey also includes Disturbance Area B and area between Disturbance Area B towards Access Track - towers 663 and 660.
Work Package ID	OHTL Transmission Line (L2)

**Table 2 – Pre-Clearance Survey Details**

Infrastructure Surveyed				
Tower Footprint	<input type="checkbox"/>	Centreline	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Break and Winch Site	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parking Areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Access Track (existing)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Access Track (new)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Disturbance Area B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Details of Other:				
Protected Matters				
Item	Presence Identified		Quantum to Clear (Ha)	Comments
	Yes	No		
White Box-Yellow Box-Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived Native Grassland <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Weeping Myall Woodlands <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

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Buloke Woodlands of the Riverina and Murray-Darling Depression Bioregions <sup>2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Mallee Bird Community of the Murray Darling Depression Bioregion <sup>2</sup>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0.709 Ha	
Plains mallee box woodland of the Murray Darling Depression, Riverina and Naracoorte Coastal Plains bioregions <sup>2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

Seasonal Herbaceous Wetlands (Freshwater) of the Temperate Lowland Plains <sup>2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for A spear-grass ( <i>austrostipa metatoris</i> ) <sup>2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for A spear-grass ( <i>austrostipa wakoolica</i> ) <sup>2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for Mossjuel Daisy <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for Sand-hill Spider Orchid <sup>2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for A burr-daisy <sup>2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for Winged Peppercross <sup>1</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for Chariot Wheels <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for Yellow Swainson-pea <sup>2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for Plains Wanderer <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for Regent Parrot (eastern subspecies) <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for Superb Parrot <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		


Notes:

1 Protected matter listed within the Notification of Approval EnergyConnect NSW – Eastern Section (EPBC 2020/8766)

2 Protected matter listed within the Revised Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (August 2022)

**Management measures required to avoid or minimise impacts to Protected Matters:**

- Exclusion zones to be installed to restrict access to protected matters outside the construction footprint.
- Ecologist to be present during clearing activities.

Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees			
Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Nest boxes required?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Comments: Fauna Spotter needed due to presence of Mallee Bird Community, Hollow Bearing Trees, and Threatened Flora.</p> <p><b>Extended Survey area also includes ground habitat – Ecologist and or Fauna Spotter Required. AMENDED 24/01/2025</b> <b>Shane Oates</b></p> 
Weeds			
Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
Environmental Exclusion Zones			
Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Details: Thyme Rice Flower, ( <i>Pimelea serpyllifolia</i> ) Endangered NSW.
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Details: <i>Exclusion zone to be installed prior to construction works commencing.</i>
Unexpected Finds			
Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
Additional Comments			
<p>Special biodiversity zone associated with Thyme Rice-flower (<i>Pimelea serpyllifolia</i> subsp. <i>Serpyllifolia</i>) present between Towers 660-662.</p> <p>Exclusion zones to be installed around individual/clusters of identified Thyme Rice-flower and around areas which are not to be cleared/impacted.</p> <p>Ecologist to be present during clearing activities.</p> <p>Clearing will only occur for trees within Disturbance area B which are required to meet the transmission line clearance requirements.</p>			

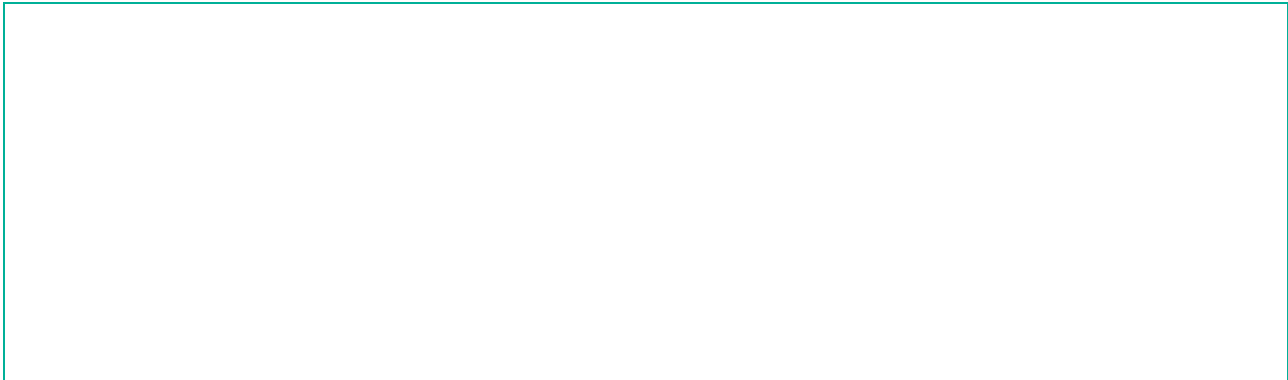
**Thyme Rice Flower Health Check undertaken on the 24/01/2025 By Darcy Brady – Ecologist.**

Plant ID	GPS location (lat/	Health	Height (cm)	Width (cm)	Notes
1	(-34.505 0476, 142.736 6802)	Alive	19	20	Single plant. Green flagged
2	(-34.505 1788, 142.736 5382)	Deceased	35	112	Within large flagged area
3	(-34.505 1870, 142.736 5268)	Deceased	41	111	Within large flagged area
4	(-34.505 1508, 142.736 5332)	Deceased	35	76	Within large flagged area
5	(-34.505 1842, 142.736 4966)	Deceased	28	73	Within large flagged area
6	(-34.505 1604, 142.736 4646)	Deceased	53	61	Within large flagged area




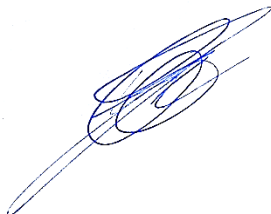
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7	(-34.505 1740, 142.736 4229)	Alive; deteriorating	54	83	Within large flagged area
8	(-34.505 2227, 142.736 3366)	Alive	24	19	Within large flagged area
9	(-34.505 2011, 142.736 3824)	Deceased	64	65	Within large flagged area
10	(-34.505 2209, 142.736 3573)	Alive	58	80	Within large flagged area
11	(-34.505 1731, 142.736 3623)	Alive	50	63	Within large flagged area
12	(-34.505 1832, 142.736 3529)	Alive	83	70	Within large flagged area
13	(-34.505 1800, 142.736 3486)	Alive	45	49	Within large flagged area

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**Table 3 – Pre-Clearance Approval**

Ecologist			
Pre-clearance Assessment Timeframe for Nominated Works	6 Months	REVALIDATED	REVALIDATED
Name	Kristen Vickery	Shane Oates	Shane Oates
Signature			
Date	17/01/24	12/01/2025	24/01/2025
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Name	Willem Venter		
Position	Deputy Environmental Manager		
Signature			
Date	25/01/2025		

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