#### Table 1 - Information

Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) Completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Madeleine Cicchelli Qualification: Ecologists
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	17/11/2024
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey Location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Access Track to Tower 226
Scope Methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area In field visual inspection by ecologists of the proposed tower location
Work Package ID	L5 Ecology – Pre-clearance surveys

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

Infrastructure Surveyed		
Tower Footprint	Centreline	
Break and Winch Site	Parking Areas	
Access Track (existing)	Access Track (new)	$\boxtimes$
Disturbance Area B	Other	
Details of Other:		

#### **Protected Matters**

Item	Presence	dentified	Quantum to	Comments
	Yes	No	Clear (Ha)	
White Box-Yellow Box-Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived Native Grassland <sup>12</sup>				
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>12</sup>				
Weeping Myall Woodlands <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$		0.015	EPBC Act Threatened Ecological Community
Buloke Woodlands of the Riverina and Murray-Darling Depression Bioregions <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Mallee Bird Community of the Murray Darling Depression Bioregion <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Plains mallee box woodland of the Murray Darling Depression, Riverina and Naracoorte Coastal Plains bioregions <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Seasonal Herbaceous Wetlands (Freshwater) of the Temperate Lowland Plains <sup>2</sup>				
Habitat for A spear-grass ( <i>austrostipa metatoris</i> ) <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		

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Habitat for A spear-grass ( <i>austrostipa wakoolica</i> ) <sup>2</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Sand-hill Spider Orchid <sup>2</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for A burr-daisy <sup>2</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Winged Peppercross <sup>1</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Chariot Wheels <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Yellow Swainson-pea <sup>2</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Plains Wanderer <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Regent Parrot (eastern subspecies) <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Superb Parrot <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$	

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:

- Total of 0.015 ha of the critically endangered BC Act TEC '*Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains*' to be removed.
- Exclusion Zones to be installed to restrict access to Protected Matters outside the construction footprint.
- During clearing an ecologist shall be on site at all times to monitor activities within special biodiversity protection zones as per Biodiversity Management Plan.
- No additional mitigation measures required. Clearing works to be completed in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Management Plan.

Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees			
Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Comments:
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Comments:
Nest boxes required?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Comments:
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes ⊠	No 🗆	Comments: Pre-inspection of grassland also recommended before any ground disturbance.
Weeds			
Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	Yes 🗆	No 🛛	Details:

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Environmental Exclusion Zones					
Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Details:		
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes 🖂	No 🗆	Details: EPBC Act TEC identified		
Unexpected Finds					
Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Details:		
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Details:		
Additional Comments					
<ul> <li>Ecologist to be present for clearing activities (including clearance of grassland areas).</li> <li>Access Track is within Special Biodiversity Zone.</li> </ul>					

- Weeds to be managed in accordance with approved Biosecurity Management Plan. Additional weed species: Wild Oat (*Avena* sp.), Rye Grass (*Lolium* sp.), and Paterson's Curse (*Echium* plantagineum).

#### Table 3 – Pre-Clearance Approval

Ecologist	
Pre-clearance Assessment Timeframe for Nominated Works	3 months
Name	Madeleine Cicchelli
Signature	
Date	17/11/2024
SecureEnergy	
Name	Julie Vaillancourt
Position	Environmental Advisor
Signature	Jucie Vaillancourt
Date	03/12/2024

#### Table 1 - Information

Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) Completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Madeleine Cicchelli Qualification: Ecologist
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey Specific Pre-Clearance Survey	17/11/2024 L5 Access Track to Tower 227
Location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.) Scope Methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area In field visual inspection by ecologists of the proposed tower location
Work Package ID	L5 Ecology – Pre-clearance surveys

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

Infrastructure Surveyed		
Tower Footprint	Centreline	
Break and Winch Site	Parking Areas	
Access Track (existing)	Access Track (new)	$\boxtimes$
Disturbance Area B	Other	
Details of Other:		

#### **Protected Matters**

Item	Presence	Presence Identified		Comments
	Yes	No	Clear (Ha)	
White Box-Yellow Box-Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived Native Grassland <sup>12</sup>				
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>12</sup>				
Weeping Myall Woodlands <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$		0.01	EPBC Act Threatened Ecological Community
Buloke Woodlands of the Riverina and Murray-Darling Depression Bioregions <sup>2</sup>				
Mallee Bird Community of the Murray Darling Depression Bioregion <sup>2</sup>				
Plains mallee box woodland of the Murray Darling Depression, Riverina and Naracoorte Coastal Plains bioregions <sup>2</sup>				
Seasonal Herbaceous Wetlands (Freshwater) of the Temperate Lowland Plains <sup>2</sup>				
Habitat for A spear-grass ( <i>austrostipa metatoris</i> ) <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		

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Habitat for A spear-grass ( <i>austrostipa wakoolica</i> ) <sup>2</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Sand-hill Spider Orchid <sup>2</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for A burr-daisy <sup>2</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Winged Peppercross <sup>1</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Chariot Wheels <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Yellow Swainson-pea <sup>2</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Plains Wanderer <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Regent Parrot (eastern subspecies) <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Superb Parrot <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$	

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:

- Total of 0.01 ha of the critically endangered BC Act TEC '*Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains*' to be removed.
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- No additional mitigation measures required. Clearing works to be completed in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Management Plan.

Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees			
Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Comments:
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Comments:
Nest boxes required?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Comments:
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes ⊠	No 🗆	Comments: Pre-inspection of grassland also recommended before any ground disturbance.
Weeds			
Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	Yes 🗆	No 🛛	Details:

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Environmental Exclusion Zones						
Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Details:			
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes 🖂	No 🗆	Details: EPBC Act TEC identified			
Unexpected Finds						
Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Details:			
If yes, has the Environmental Manager Yes □ No ⊠ Details:						
Additional Comments						
<ul> <li>Ecologist to be present for clearing activities (including clearance of grassland areas).</li> <li>Access Track is within Special Biodiversity Zone.</li> </ul>						

- Weeds to be managed in accordance with approved Biosecurity Management Plan.
- Additional weed species: Rye Grass (Lolium sp.) and Burr Medic (Medicago polymorpha).

#### Table 3 – Pre-Clearance Approval

Ecologist	
Pre-clearance Assessment Timeframe for Nominated Works	3 months
Name	Madeleine Cicchelli
Signature	
Date	17/11/2024
SecureEnergy	
Name	Julie Vaillancourt
Position	Environmental Advisor
Signature	Juice Vaillancourt
Date	03/12/2024

#### Table 1 - Information

Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) Completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Madeleine Cicchelli Qualification: Ecologist
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	17/11/2024
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey Location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Access Track to Tower 228
Scope Methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area In field visual inspection by ecologists of the proposed tower location
Work Package ID	L5 Ecology – Pre-clearance surveys

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

Infrastructure Surveyed		
Tower Footprint	Centreline	
Break and Winch Site	Parking Areas	
Access Track (existing)	Access Track (new)	$\boxtimes$
Disturbance Area B	Other	
Details of Other:		

#### **Protected Matters**

Item	Presence	dentified	Quantum to	Comments
	Yes	No	Clear (Ha)	
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Weeping Myall Woodlands <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$		0.01	EPBC Act Threatened Ecological Community
Buloke Woodlands of the Riverina and Murray-Darling Depression Bioregions <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Mallee Bird Community of the Murray Darling Depression Bioregion <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Plains mallee box woodland of the Murray Darling Depression, Riverina and Naracoorte Coastal Plains bioregions <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Seasonal Herbaceous Wetlands (Freshwater) of the Temperate Lowland Plains <sup>2</sup>				
Habitat for A spear-grass ( <i>austrostipa metatoris</i> ) <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		

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Habitat for A spear-grass ( <i>austrostipa wakoolica</i> ) <sup>2</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Sand-hill Spider Orchid <sup>2</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for A burr-daisy <sup>2</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Winged Peppercross <sup>1</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Chariot Wheels <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Yellow Swainson-pea <sup>2</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Plains Wanderer <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Regent Parrot (eastern subspecies) <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$	
Habitat for Superb Parrot <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$	

Notes:

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Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees			
Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Comments:
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes 🗆	No 🛛	Comments:
Nest boxes required?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Comments:
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes 🛛	No 🗆	Comments: Pre-inspection of grassland also recommended before any ground disturbance.
Weeds			
Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Details:

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Environmental Exclusion Zones					
Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Details:		
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes 🖂	No 🗆	Details: EPBC Act TEC identified		
Unexpected Finds					
Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	xpected Finds identified? Yes 🗆 No 🖂 Details:				
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes 🗆	Yes □ No ⊠ Details:			
Additional Comments					
<ul> <li>Ecologist to be present for clearing activities (including clearance of grassland areas).</li> <li>Access Track is within Special Biodiversity Zone.</li> <li>Weeds to be managed in accordance with approved Biosecurity Management Plan.</li> <li>Additional weed species: Wild Oat (<i>Avena</i> sp.), Hare's-foot Clover (<i>Trifolium arvense</i>), Rye Grass (<i>Lolium</i> sp.) and Burr Medic (<i>Medicago polymorpha</i>).</li> </ul>					

#### Table 3 – Pre-Clearance Approval

Ecologist	
Pre-clearance Assessment Timeframe for Nominated Works	3 months
Name	Madeleine Cicchelli
Signature	
Date	17/11/2024
SecureEnergy	
Name	Julie Vaillancourt
Position	Environmental Advisor
Signature	Jucie Vaillancourt
Date	03/12/2024

#### Table 1 - Information

Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) Completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Madeleine Cicchelli and Hannah Roberts Qualification: Ecologists
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	18/11/2024
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey Location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Access Track to Tower 229
Scope Methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area In field visual inspection by ecologists of the proposed tower location
Work Package ID	L5 Ecology – Pre-clearance surveys

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

Infrastructure Surveyed		
Tower Footprint	Centreline	
Break and Winch Site	Parking Areas	
Access Track (existing)	Access Track (new)	$\boxtimes$
Disturbance Area B	Other	
Details of Other:		

#### **Protected Matters**

Item	Presence	Identified	Quantum to	Comments
	Yes	No	Clear (Ha)	
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Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>12</sup>				
Weeping Myall Woodlands <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Buloke Woodlands of the Riverina and Murray-Darling Depression Bioregions <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Mallee Bird Community of the Murray Darling Depression Bioregion <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Plains mallee box woodland of the Murray Darling Depression, Riverina and Naracoorte Coastal Plains bioregions <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Seasonal Herbaceous Wetlands (Freshwater) of the Temperate Lowland Plains <sup>2</sup>			0.01	EPBC Act-listed Threatened Ecological Community.
Habitat for A spear-grass ( <i>austrostipa metatoris</i> ) <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		

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Habitat for A spear-grass ( <i>austrostipa wakoolica</i> ) <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$		0.01	Mapped vegetation.	
Habitat for Sand-hill Spider Orchid <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Habitat for A burr-daisy <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
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Habitat for Chariot Wheels <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
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Habitat for Plains Wanderer <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Habitat for Regent Parrot (eastern subspecies) <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
Habitat for Superb Parrot <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$			
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:

- Total of 0.01 ha of the critically endangered BC Act TEC 'Seasonal Herbaceous Wetlands (Freshwater) of the Temperate Lowland Plains' to be removed.
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#### Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees

Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Comments:
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes 🗆	No 🛛	Comments:
Nest boxes required?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Comments:
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes 🛛	No 🗆	Comments: Pre-inspection of grassland also recommended before any ground disturbance.
Weeds			
Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	Yes 🗆	No 🗵	Details:
Environmental Exclusion Zones			
Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Details:
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes 🖂	No 🗆	Details: EPBC Act TEC identified
Unexpected Finds			

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Were any Unexpected Finds identified? If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes □ Yes □	No ⊠ No ⊠	Details: Details:
Additional Comments			
<ul> <li>Ecologist to be present for clearing</li> <li>Access Track is within Special Biod</li> <li>Weeds to be managed in accordan</li> <li>Additional weed species: Rye Gras (<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>).</li> </ul>	liversity Zon ce with appi	e. roved Biose	c ,

#### Table 3 – Pre-Clearance Approval

Ecologist	
Pre-clearance Assessment Timeframe for Nominated Works	3 months
Name	Madeleine Cicchelli
Signature	
Date	18/11/2024
SecureEnergy	
Name	Julie Vaillancourt
Position	Environmental Advisor
Signature	Juice Vaillancourt
Date	03/12/2024

#### Table 1 - Information

Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) Completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Madeleine Cicchelli and Hannah Roberts Qualification: Ecologists
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	18/11/2024
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey Location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Access Track to Tower 230
Scope Methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area In field visual inspection by ecologists of the proposed tower location
Work Package ID	L5 Ecology – Pre-clearance surveys

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

Infrastructure Surveyed		
Tower Footprint	Centreline	
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#### **Protected Matters**

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Mallee Bird Community of the Murray Darling Depression Bioregion <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
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Habitat for Superb Parrot <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Notes: 1 Protected matter listed within the Notification 2 Protected matter listed within the Revised Bio				

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

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Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	Yes □	No 🖂	Details:
Environmental Exclusion Zones			
Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Details:
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes 🖂	No 🗆	Details: EPBC Act TEC identified
Unexpected Finds			

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Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Details:
Additional Comments			
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#### Table 3 – Pre-Clearance Approval

Ecologist	
Pre-clearance Assessment Timeframe for Nominated Works	3 months
Name	Madeleine Cicchelli
Signature	
Date	18/11/2024
SecureEnergy	
Name	Julie Vaillancourt
Position	Environmental Advisor
Signature	Queix Vaillancourt
Date	03/12/2024

#### Table 1 - Information

Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) Completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Madeleine Cicchelli and Hannah Roberts Qualification: Ecologists
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	18/11/2024
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey Location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Access Track to Tower 231
Scope Methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area In field visual inspection by ecologists of the proposed tower location
Work Package ID	L5 Ecology – Pre-clearance surveys

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

Infrastructure Surveyed		
Tower Footprint	Centreline	
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#### **Protected Matters**

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Buloke Woodlands of the Riverina and Murray-Darling Depression Bioregions <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Mallee Bird Community of the Murray Darling Depression Bioregion <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Plains mallee box woodland of the Murray Darling Depression, Riverina and Naracoorte Coastal Plains bioregions <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Seasonal Herbaceous Wetlands (Freshwater) of the Temperate Lowland Plains <sup>2</sup>			0.01	EPBC Act-listed Threatened Ecological Community.
Habitat for A spear-grass ( <i>austrostipa metatoris</i> ) <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		

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Habitat for A spear-grass ( <i>austrostipa wakoolica</i> ) <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy <sup>12</sup>	$\boxtimes$		0.01	Mapped vegetation.
Habitat for Sand-hill Spider Orchid <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for A burr-daisy <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for Winged Peppercross <sup>1</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for Chariot Wheels <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for Yellow Swainson-pea <sup>2</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for Plains Wanderer <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for Regent Parrot (eastern subspecies) <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
Habitat for Superb Parrot <sup>12</sup>		$\boxtimes$		
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:

- Total of 0.01 ha of the critically endangered BC Act TEC 'Seasonal Herbaceous Wetlands (Freshwater) of the Temperate Lowland Plains' to be removed.
- Exclusion Zones to be installed to restrict access to Protected Matters outside the construction footprint.
- During clearing an ecologist shall be on site at all times to monitor activities within special biodiversity protection zones as per Biodiversity Management Plan.
- No additional mitigation measures required. Clearing works to be completed in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Management Plan.

#### Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees

Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Comments:
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Comments:
Nest boxes required?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Comments:
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes 🛛	No 🗆	Comments: Pre-inspection of grassland also recommended before any ground disturbance.
Weeds			
Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Details:
Environmental Exclusion Zones			
Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Details:
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes 🖂	No 🗆	Details: EPBC Act TEC identified
Unexpected Finds			

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Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes 🗆	No 🖂	Details:
Additional Comments			
<ul> <li>Ecologist to be present for clearing</li> <li>Access Track is within Special Biod</li> <li>Weeds to be managed in accordan</li> <li>Additional weed species: Rye Gras</li> </ul>	liversity Zon	e. roved Biose	curity Management Plan.

#### Table 3 – Pre-Clearance Approval

Ecologist	
Pre-clearance Assessment Timeframe for Nominated Works	3 months
Name	Madeleine Cicchelli
Signature	
Date	18/11/2024
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Name	Julie Vaillancourt
Position	Environmental Advisor
Signature	Juice Vaillancouot
Date	03/12/2024