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Table 1 - Information

Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) Completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Shane Oates Qualification: Ecologist
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey Specific Pre-Clearance Survey	19/01/2025 L2 Maude Laydown (Tower 338).
Location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.) Scope Methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area. In field visual
Coope Methodology	inspection by ecologists of: - Maude Laydown
Work Package ID	L2 OHTL Transmission Line

Table 2 - Pre-Clearance Survey Details

Infrastructure Surveyed					
Tower Footprint		Ce	entreline		
Break and Winch Site	_ I		rking Areas		
Access Track (existing)	☐ Access Tra		cess Track (new	ss Track (new)	
Disturbance Area B	□ Other				
Details of Other:	Maude Laydown				
Protected Matters					
Item	Presence Identified			Comments	
	Yes	No	Clear (Ha)		
White Box-Yellow Box-Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived Native Grassland ¹²					
Grey Box (<i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i>) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia ¹²					
Weeping Myall Woodlands 12		\boxtimes			
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains ¹²		×			
Buloke Woodlands of the Riverina and Murray-Darling Depression Bioregions ²		×			
Mallee Bird Community of the Murray Darling Depression Bioregion ²		×			
Plains mallee box woodland of the Murray Darling Depression, Riverina and Naracoorte Coastal Plains bioregions ²		\boxtimes			

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Seasonal Herbaceous Wetlands (Freshwater) of the Temperate Lowland Plains ²		\boxtimes	
Habitat for A spear-grass (austrostipa metatoris) ²		\boxtimes	
Habitat for A spear-grass (austrostipa wakoolica) ²		\boxtimes	
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy ¹²		\boxtimes	
Habitat for Sand-hill Spider Orchid ²		\boxtimes	
Habitat for A burr-daisy ²		\boxtimes	
Habitat for Winged Peppercross ¹		\boxtimes	
Habitat for Chariot Wheels ¹²		\boxtimes	
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea ¹²		\boxtimes	
Habitat for Yellow Swainson-pea ²		\boxtimes	
Habitat for Plains Wanderer ¹²		\boxtimes	
Habitat for Regent Parrot (eastern subspecies) 12		\boxtimes	
Habitat for Superb Parrot ¹²		\boxtimes	
Notes: 1 Protected matter listed within the Notification of 2 Protected matter listed within the Revised Biodelian Communication (Communication).			
Management measures required to avo	oid or minim	ise impacts	to Protected Matters:
Clearing works to be completed in acc	ordance wit	h the approv	red Biodiversity Management Plan.
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Fauna Spotter to be present during cle	arıng actıvı	ies.	
Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees			
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Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes □	No ⊠	Comments:
Habitat trees and habitat features	Yes □	No ⊠ No ⊠	Comments:
Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked? GPS coordinates and habitat trees			

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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 demarcated?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:
Unexpected Finds			
Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes □	No ⊠	Details:
Additional Comments			

Table 3 – Pre-Clearance Approval

Ecologist	
Pre-clearance Assessment Timeframe for Nominated Works	6 Months
Name	Shane Oates
Signature	
Date	19/01/2025
SecureEnergy JV	
Name	Willem Venter
Position	Deputy Environmental Manager
Signature	
Date	20/01/2025