

## First Nations engagement and participation

HumeLink East is on Wiradjuri, Gundungarra and Ngunnawal country, and is committed to providing opportunities for First Nations people and businesses in the region.

### How we do this

#### Business opportunities

- We are committed to engaging small, medium and large First Nations businesses for HumeLink East across the supply chain from catering and office supplies to crane hire, plant and earthworks packages.
- All upcoming HumeLink East works packages and procurement opportunities can be found on the Industry Capability Network (ICN) website: [humelinkeast.icn.org.au](http://humelinkeast.icn.org.au)
- We have partnered with Supply Nation to connect First Nations businesses with procurement opportunities on the HumeLink East. Register your business with Supply Nation to go onto Australia's largest national directory, Indigenous Business Direct. To find out more, contact Supply Nation on 1300 055 298 or visit their website: [supplynation.org.au](http://supplynation.org.au)
- We deliver HumeLink East Business Buzz information sessions across the region, where the team presents information on upcoming packages of work and other initiatives. This is an opportunity for businesses to network and speak to our Aboriginal Participation Manager and members of our Construction, Procurement and Workforce team. Contact us to register your interest for our next Business Buzz. We will also promote Business Buzz sessions in the region and on the HumeLink East website.



**Figure 1:** Tyronne Bell from Thunderstone Aboriginal Cultural Services leading a cultural tour on Ngunnawal Country with the HumeLink East leadership team.

#### Employment and training opportunities

- HumeLink East will offer several pre-employment programs that will focus on First Nations people, women, youth and mature-age workers, and provide training, skills and job opportunities. We will deliver the first pre-employment program in late 2024 for women, and we strongly encourage First Nations women to apply. Contact us to express your interest.
- Graduate positions, apprenticeships, traineeships and work experience placements are available on HumeLink East. We will promote applications for these positions and programs from late 2024.
- We will provide accredited training for local and First Nations businesses assisting them to expand and grow, and commenced the Business Support Program in August 2024. This program will support First Nations businesses to connect with commercial opportunities on the project and beyond. We will also promote this program in the region and on the HumeLink East website. Contact us to register your interest.

## Acknowledgement of Country

We would like to Acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land we meet, work, deliver and operate on.

We pay our respects to Elders past and present and Acknowledge the younger generation who will become our leaders of the future.

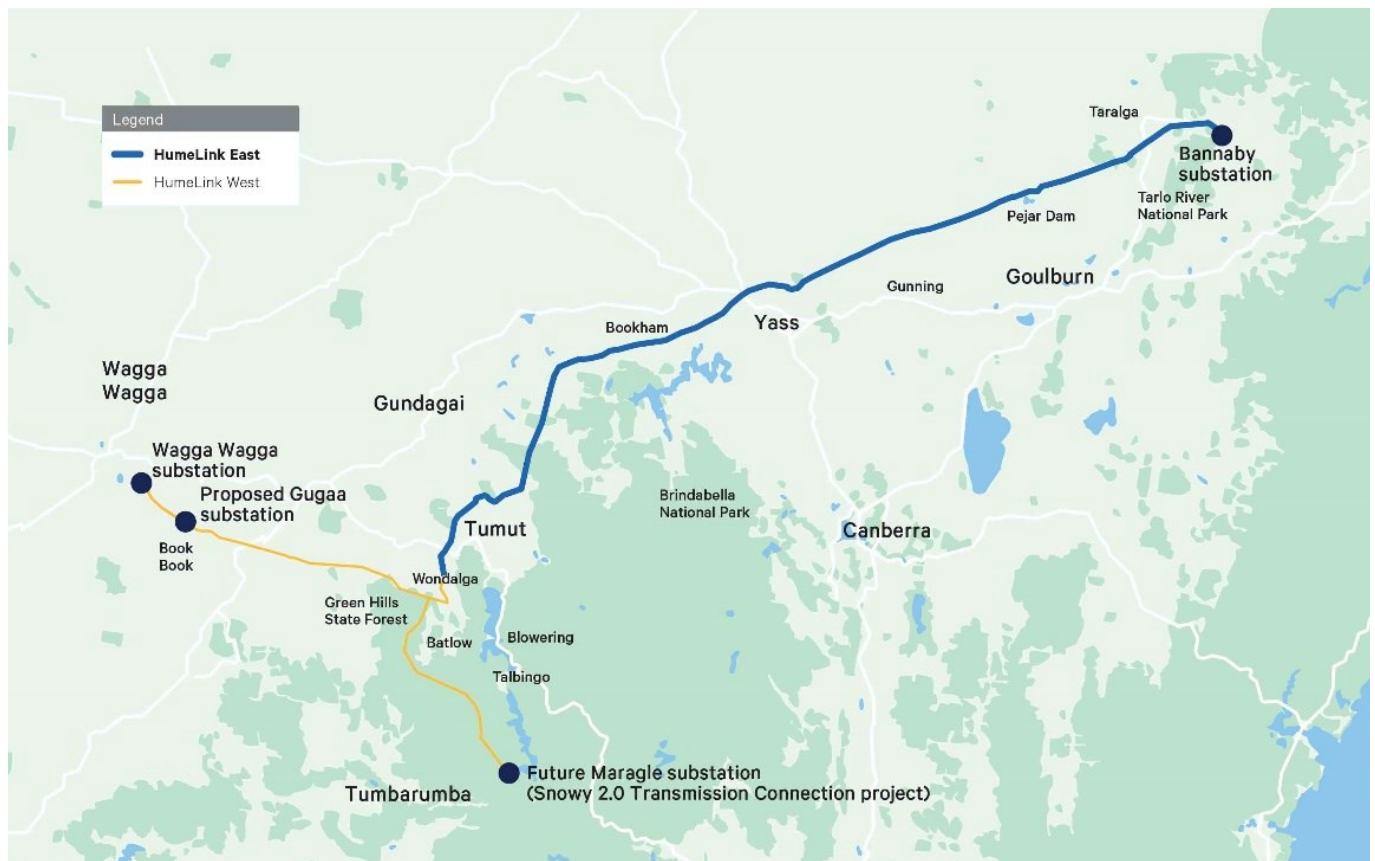
We are committed to honouring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' living culture and spiritual relationships to the lands, skies, seas and waters of our nation.

## About HumeLink East

HumeLink will deliver cheaper and more reliable power for consumers by increasing the amount of renewable energy that can be delivered across the national electricity grid. The project will create more than 1600 jobs and generate major benefits, including employment opportunities and community investment, for local communities along the route.

Transgrid has contracted Acciona Construction Australia Pty Ltd and Genus Infrastructure (NSW) Pty Ltd to deliver the eastern portion of the HumeLink project, known as HumeLink East.

HumeLink East involves expanding the existing Bannaby 500 kV substation, and the design and construction of a 500 kV double circuit transmission line. This new transmission line will connect the Bannaby 500 kV substation at the Wondalga interface point with HumeLink West.



## Contact us

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