

Fact sheet

Why we need Cooma Solar

The Cooma Solar and battery project is a proposed 100-megawatt (MW) renewable energy generation project, with an 80MW battery.

The project is located within the locality of Bunyan, in the NSW region of Snowy Monaro and 7km north of the township of Cooma.

Cooma Solar will help Australia transition to net zero carbon emissions, delivering low-cost renewable energy and jobs for the Snowy Monaro region. It will power around 45,000 average Australian homes each year and contribute to the national target of 82% renewable energy by 2030. The battery, with a capacity up to 80MW, would enable energy to be stored and released during periods of increased demand.

The project will involve the construction

and operation of rows of solar panels, a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS), electrical infrastructure and supporting infrastructure including access roads.

Once operational, there will be space under and between the panels for sheep to graze, continuing the region's close agricultural connection with the land.





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Employ and Buy LOCAL commitment



Shared benefits through ACEN Australia's

Social Investment Program (SIP)



Installed capacity of up to **100 MW**

A company that's all about community

ACEN Australia strives to be a valued part of the communities in which it operates. Through our two existing solar projects in NSW, we have sought to set the benchmark as an integral part of the regions where we develop renewable energy projects.

Our 400MW New England Solar project went into operation in late 2023 and we're preparing to start construction of Stage 2 of New England Solar later this year.

In addition, construction is underway on our 400MW Stubbo Solar project in the NSW Central West.

In each of those regions, we are committed to sourcing local product and service, employing local people whenever possible and generally being involved in the community, including our Social Investment Program to help build strong and vibrant regions.

<u>Learn more</u> about ACEN's commitments to community and responsible development.

About ACEN Australia

ACEN Australia brings large-scale renewable energy projects to life. Through our solar, wind and energy storage projects, our projects are producing clean electricity for Australian homes and businesses. ACEN Australia is the platform representing ACEN's renewable energy assets in Australia. With more than 1 gigawatt (GW) capacity of large-scale renewable energy generation in construction and operations, and more than 8GW capacity in the development pipeline, our portfolio includes solar, wind, battery and pumped hydro projects across Australia.

With 80+ employees and growing, our people are based in Tasmania, Victoria, New South Wales, Queensland and Western Australia.

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