

## **MARCH 2025**

# **Electrical works update**

Teams working with our main contractor Lumea on the electrical switching yard expansion conducted a concrete pour this week, following the erection of the gantry and with primary electrical works scheduled from this month.

The work is in preparation for the installation of our second transformer, that is required for the Stage 2 solar development and is scheduled to arrive in the second half of 2025.

### Battery transformer on its way

The first of two large electrical transformers is scheduled to be delivered to our solar project site near the middle of this month.

The 261-tonne transformer will be trucked from Brisbane on a specially designed over-sized truck and carefully moved into position in its new bay. Further assembly and electrical connection work will then take place.

#### Keep a look out for more delivery details in the next Wordsworth edition and on our Facebook page.

It comes as we celebrated the start of work for our Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) last week with Uralla Shire Mayor Robert Bell and the team from energy storage specialist Energy Vault. **Read more on the inside pages of this Wordsworth issue.** 

## Sealing work scheduled for last section of Big Ridge Road

Work to seal the last kilometre of Big Ridge Road is now scheduled to take place from Monday March 10 and should be competed in approximately three weeks.

The works will only impact vehicles entering and exiting the existing solar site.



We're pleased to have played a role in improving access to the New England Lapidary & Fossicking Club's showgrounds pavilion. The club received funding from the New England Solar Social Investment Program to install the ramp. Club members reported a spike in visitors to their pavilion during this month's Uralla Show and say the ramp contributed to the increased numbers, L to R lain Hamilton, Anne Hogbin, John Hogbin and Michael Tasik.

# Applications open for community grants of up to \$5,000

It's time to get your applications together for the 2025 New England Solar Social Investment Program, with grants of up to \$5,000 for not-for-profit organisations in the region.

The program is designed to share the benefits of New England Solar across the community and help build thriving and resilient communities.

More than 30 community projects and events were supported through the program last year, from sporting groups and community events to greening and beautification improvements, education and aged care programs.

The new funding round will again offer grants for not-for-profit organisations in Uralla Shire, Dangarsleigh, Kelly Plains, and the Anaiwan community.

Applications close on 21 March 2025.

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