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Jobs for bright futures

Building the Western Renewables Link is estimated to generate around 650 full-time construction jobs, with more expected at the height of construction. More than 1,000 indirect jobs are forecast to be created as a result of building the transmission line.

The project team responsible for developing the Western Renewables Link currently operates from both Ballarat and Melbourne offices. We employ people across a range of roles including landholder and community engagement, planning and approvals, engineering and construction.

There will also be flow-on economic and employment benefits, as the project brings demand for local and regional business goods and services such as electricians, transport operators, concrete suppliers, civil works, accommodation and hospitality.

Current career opportunities

Land, Environment and Planning

Land, environment and planning roles are responsible for providing expert advice and guidance to manage regulatory requirements and landholder relationships in preparation for construction.

Role responsibilities may include:

- Managing regulator relationships.
- Managing environmental and planning approval process.
- Completing technical assessments for planning approval and key stakeholders.
- Managing relationships with diverse stakeholders including landowners, community groups and government agencies and authorities, ensuring input is integrated into project considerations.

Community Engagement

Stakeholder and community engagement professionals facilitate communication and collaboration with stakeholders such as project neighbours and local community members.



Role responsibilities may include:

- Advocating for industry best practice approaches.
- Sharing project information at community events.
- Building and maintaining relationships with impacted communities.
- Organising initiatives to deliver local benefits.

Project Management

Project management roles are responsible for managing the project timeline by developing schedules, identifying key deliverables and milestones, risk management and resource planning for the relevant project phases and communicating updates to the relevant stakeholders.

Engineering

Engineers are needed at every step of the project, starting from identifying potential opportunities for designing and constructing projects such as the Western Renewables Link, ensuring grid connection, and finally managing ongoing operations and maintenance.

Upcoming career opportunities

Construction

Construction professionals will play a vital role in the delivery of the proposed Western Renewables Link project if it is approved, including overseeing delivery and logistics, preparing work sites, tower foundation works, tower assembly works, transmission line stringing, and site rehabilitation.

Field Officers

Field Officer opportunities will become available as the project progresses and will act as the onsite eyes and ears. Field officer professionals deliver community liaison, risk planning, logistics, and administration in support of the field activities.



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About the project

Western Victoria is an important region for renewable energy generation. We need to increase the capacity of the existing electricity network to share this new energy with the rest of the state.

AusNet is planning a new 190-kilometre overhead transmission line between near Bulgana in Victoria's west and Sydenham. This project will help deliver affordable and clean energy to all Victorians.

We are looking forward to delivering this important infrastructure project that will drive economic investment in western Victoria and create new jobs before, during and after construction.

Our commitment to western Victoria

It's important that regional communities benefit from hosting the infrastructure that delivers the energy transition. The project will provide benefits for all Victorians including putting downward pressure on power bills, improving energy security, and increasing economic activity in the region.

In western Victoria, we will continue to engage with the local community to identify programs and projects that would benefit from our support and address key social, economic and environmental needs in the region. Planned programs include a community fund, training and skills development programs, and building energy resilience by providing support to facilitate community energy projects.

Indigenous engagement

We recognise the role of each Registered Aboriginal Party (RAP) in the management, protection, and promotion of cultural heritage, cultural awareness and land access on Country. We will continue to work in partnership with the recognised RAPs of the Wotjobaluk Nations, Eastern Maar, Djarra (Dja Dja Wurrung), Wadawurrung and Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Traditional Owners Corporations, and First Peoples – State Relations to deliver the project.




We are working with each RAP to understand the benefits and project outcomes that would be meaningful to them and their communities.

Our vision is for the transmission lines and associated infrastructure, once constructed and operational, to be actively managed to protect the values, and promote the laws, culture and rights of each of the Traditional Owner groups.

More information

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