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Wollar Solar Farm

The solar farm is located on the western side of Barigan Road approximately 7km south of Wollar and 55km north-east of Mudgee. When completed, Wollar Solar Farm will consist of almost 660,000 solar panels and will have the ability to generate up to 280MW, which is enough energy to power more than 100,000 home every year.

Project update

Wollar Solar is very excited to announce we have achieved one of the key project milestones - **Energisation!**

The first energisation achieved is a very minor amount (less than 6MW) which acts similar to a "proof of concept" to demonstrate the functionality of the solar farm and allows us to start testing and commissioning certain elements while under an energised load. We will start ramping up the generation of electricity over the coming months with a target to generate at 25% (70MW) by the end of 2024. Construction work on site is now in the final stages.

Approximately 99% of panels and trackers have been installed. Underground electrical work is now complete, with above ground work such as plugging in panels to continue into November

A smaller commissioning team will continue their activities on site into 2025. The majority of our workforce will continue to demobilise over the coming months, with less than 50% of the peak workforce currently on site.

Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) information sessions held across the region

Wollar Solar is investigating a potential increase in the development's approved BESS size at Wollar Solar Farm.

Earlier this month, we hosted two information sessions in Mudgee and Wollar village to provide an opportunity for the community to learn more and ask questions about the BESS project. It was great to meet members of the community to discuss the solar farm's construction progress as well as our BESS modification application plans.

We also hosted a fundraising BBQ with **PINK UP Mudgee** at Mudgee Metroplaza. We raised over \$1,000 for this incredible organisation who help to ensure local support of a breast care nurse for those undergoing treatment in the area. Throughout October, Mudgee will once again turn pink to raise awareness of breast cancer in our community, so we encourage you to support this worthy cause in any way you can.

To learn more about our BESS project click [here](#).



Project timeline

Progress onsite	Anticipated completion
Onsite roadworks	Completed
Other civil works	Completed
Installation of steel framing (trackers)	Q4 2024
Installation of PV panels	Q4 2024
First electricity generated	Completed
Commissioning	Q1 2025
Completion	Q1 2025



R U OK Day? - We know mental health matters

On 12 August, site staff took a moment to check in with workmates with a BBQ providing an opportunity to chat and build awareness of the importance of mental health. Site Representative Bernie began with the morning's prestart, presenting an R U OK? Day scarf to the site's HSE Manager to kick off the conversation. The scarf was then passed on amongst colleagues, with everyone encouraged to keep the conversation going and to continue checking in with their team mates.

Sponsorship Program supports community initiatives

Round three of Wollar Solar Farm's Sponsorship Program has awarded grants to a diverse range of local events and initiatives aimed at fostering community and social support, environmental education, emergency services and arts and culture. The program, which seeks to support local projects and events, has allocated funding to eight community groups in this latest round.

Round 3 successful applications include:

1. Cudgegong Camera Club
2. Gulgong Holtermann Museum
3. Gulgong Rescue Squad
4. Kanandah Retirement Mudgee
5. Lifeskills Plus Inc
6. Mudgee & District Bikers Toy Run
7. Watershed Landcare Group Inc
8. Wollar Progress Association

Please visit our website [here](#) for more information and to download an application form. Applications close on 29 November, with successful applicants to be notified in January 2025.

Mudgee Dragons victorious in 2024 First Grade Peter McDonald Premiership

The Mudgee Dragons took out the 2024 Premiership Grand Final against the Parkes Spacemen on the 8th of September, with a 46-16 win.

We have been proud to support the Mudgee Dragons during this year's NSWRL Western NSW season, with the Dragons playing their first home grand final since 2009. Wollar Solar Site Representative Bernie James was in attendance and joined the large crowd in cheering the boys' home to a win. Congratulations to the entire team on a terrific season.



Wollar Solar Sponsorship Program

The final round of our Sponsorship Program will close on **29 November 2024!**

Download your application form today!

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