



# **Bunyip North Energy Storage**

**Project Introduction and Community Involvement** 

October 2025



Up to 400 MW/2400MWh

Could power 250,000+ homes at peak



North of Bunyip

Along the Princes Hwy



Up to 22ha footprint

On private grazing land



**Local Benefits** 

Including direct jobs and Community Benefit Fund

## **Project Summary**

RES is proposing the Bunyip North Energy Storage Project, located north of Bunyip in Cardinia Shire along the Princes Highway.

The Project will deliver a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) designed to:

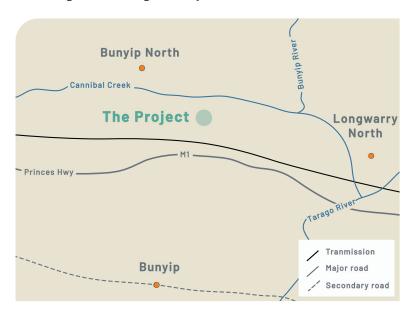
- » Store excess electricity and release it when demand is high
- » Improve grid reliability and support the transition from coal-fired power to renewable energy
- » Connect directly into the existing 220 kV transmission line via a new terminal station

RES is currently preparing a planning permit application, which will be lodged with the Minister for Planning as the responsible authority under Victoria's *Planning and Environment Act 1987*. The Project is eligible for assessment through the Department of Transport and Planning's Development Facilitation Program (DFP), which provides a streamlined process for projects that deliver significant environmental, economic, and social benefits to Victoria.

Leading planning and environmental consultancy ERM have been engaged to coordinate a team of technical specialists preparing key studies — including ecology, fire hazard and risk, noise, landscape and visual, traffic,

and surface water assessments — to inform the planning application. The recommendations of these assessments will shape the Project design, including advanced fire safety systems, safe site access, and landscaping to support visual amenity.

A referral is also being prepared under the *Commonwealth Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC), and a Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP) is being prepared in consultation with the Bunurong Land Council Aboriginal Corporation (BLCAC), the Registered Aboriginal Party for the area.



For location details, visit the Project website or scan the QR

In planning for Australia's clean energy future, RES acknowledges its rich history. We pay our respects to the Bunurong People of the Kulin Nation, the Traditional Custodians of Country on which the Bunyip North Project is proposed.

## **Working Together with the Community**

We want to ensure the community has the opportunity to be involved from the earliest stages of Project development. We have begun meeting with residents, local businesses, community groups and government agencies, and opportunities for input will continue through each stage of planning and assessment.

# Ways to get involved:

- Visit us at the October Bunyip Community Market
- Share your feedback or ask questions via phone, email or our website
- Join our mailing list to stay updated as the Project progresses

# Community Information Stall



**Bunyip Community Market** Sunday 26th October 8:00am - 1:00pm



Site 50, Bunyip Recreation Reserve 80 Nar Nar Goon-Longwarry Road, Bunyip

# **Sharing the Benefits**

RES is committed to ensuring local communities share in the benefits of hosting renewable energy projects. We are currently seeking feedback on priorities for a Community Benefit Fund, which may include:

- Support for local clubs, events, or education programs
- Sponsorships for environmental and sustainability initiatives
- Partnerships with schools and community organisations
- Enhancements to local amenities or open space

Local economic opportunities also include:

- ~ 75 direct jobs during construction and ~ 5 ongoing jobs through operations
- Opportunities for local contractors and suppliers across civil works, transport, trades, accommodation, catering and more

Local businesses can register expressions of interest via the Project website.

### **Project Timeline**



#### **RES in Australia**

RES is the world's largest independent renewable energy company, active in 24 countries. Since entering the Australian market in 2004, we've grown to over 250 staff across metropolitan and regional offices.

In Australia, RES develops, builds and manages projects across wind, solar and battery storage, offering services from development through to construction, asset management and operations.

RES leveraged global knowledge and talent to develop projects in the early phases of the renewable energy industry in Australia, including Taralga Wind Farm (NSW), Ararat Wind Farm (VIC), and Emerald Solar Farm (QLD). More recently, RES has successfully developed Murra Warra Wind Farm (VIC) and Dulacca Wind Farm (QLD).



#### **Contact the Team**

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■ We welcome your questions and feedback contact our Project Team by email, or visit the website to learn more and register for updates.