

Port to REZ – Early works and site establishment

April 2025

EnergyCo is establishing two site compounds as work begins on the Port of Newcastle to Central-West Orana Renewable Energy Zone (REZ) road upgrades.

Overview

EnergyCo is delivering upgrades along the State Road network to enable the transportation of oversize over mass (OSOM) equipment needed to build renewable energy zones (REZs) across NSW.

BMD Constructions (BMD) has been engaged to carry out the first stage of road upgrades, referred to as the Port to REZ project, from the Port of Newcastle to the Central-West Orana REZ.

The first stage of work features upgrades at 19 locations and may include road pavement widening, drainage changes, moving signs, pruning or removing vegetation in accordance with environmental controls, lighting or utility work.

What are we doing first?

Early works will start in April across six locations at Mayfield North, Jerrys Plains, Sandy Hollow, Birriwa, Cassilis and Elong Elong. Early work will include:

- Geotechnical investigations including potholing and survey
- Installation of traffic signs, flagging and environmental controls
- Establishing site compounds

Site compounds

BMD are establishing a site compound at each end of the Port to REZ route as they prepare for work to start in the coming weeks.

Newcastle site compound (East):

- Located at Roll Shop Road, near the intersection of Industrial Drive and Selwyn Street, Mayfield
- Contains sheds for around 10 staff and includes meeting rooms, amenities, fences, security, and parking

Birriwa site compound (West):

- Located at Barneys Reef Road near the intersection of Castlereagh Highway, Birriwa
- Contains sheds for around 10 staff and includes meeting rooms, amenities, fences, security, and parking

See site compound locations on page 2.

Work hours and timing

Once work starts, standard hours will be:

- 7am and 6pm Monday to Friday, and 8am to 1pm on Saturday

Some deliveries by OSOM vehicles may have to take place outside standard work hours.

What will this mean for you?

You may see workers on site installing equipment or building the compounds, car parks or laydown areas, or observe cranes delivering equipment such as site sheds.

Managing our impacts

Noise and traffic impacts related to the construction of the site compounds is expected be minimal

Access to properties will be maintained at all times.

We will make every effort to minimise impacts by turning off machinery and vehicles when not in use. We will also monitor noise to manage any potential impacts and adjust work where possible.

Thank you for your patience during this important work.

Contact us

For more information, get in touch with our team.

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Site compound locations

