

Geotechnical Investigations on the Golden Highway and Castlereagh Highway in the Central-West Orana REZ

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EnergyCo is delivering the Central-West Orana Renewable Energy Zone (REZ) to provide a clean, affordable and reliable power supply for energy consumers across NSW. The REZ will deliver at least 4.5 gigawatts (GW) of new network capacity for solar, wind and storage projects.

The Central-West Orana REZ is expected to generate up to \$20 billion in private investment in the region by 2030 and at its peak support around 5,000 construction jobs.

What are we doing?

Geotechnical investigations will be undertaken at various locations along the Golden Highway and Castlereagh Highway. Please refer to the map below for exact locations:

1. Merotherie Road and Golden Highway intersection
2. Ulan Road and Golden Highway intersection
3. Blue Springs Road and Golden Highway intersection
4. Whistons Lane and Castlereagh Highway intersection
5. Tucklan Road and Castlereagh Highway intersection
6. Puggoon Road and Castlereagh Highway intersection
7. Golden Highway, Leadville NSW 2844, east of Melrose Road
8. Castlereagh Highway, Tallawang NSW 2852, south of Artz Lane
9. Golden Highway Uarbry NSW 2329, west of Ross Crossing North Road
10. Golden Highway, Leadville NSW 2844, east of Cainbil Creek.

The work consists of drilling boreholes using an excavator. Two boreholes will be drilled at each of the above locations. The investigations will provide information on the ground conditions which will be used to further inform and refine the design of the Central-West Orana REZ transmission project.

All boreholes drilled will be backfilled and properly reinstated.

The work will start at the end of September 2024 and is expected to be completed within 4 to 5 days, weather permitting. The works will be undertaken with traffic control and protection barriers.

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Work will be carried out by ACERERZ, the preferred network operator for the Central-West Orana REZ transmission project. ACERERZ is a consortium comprised of ACCIONA, COBRA and Endeavour Energy.

How will the work affect you?

Vehicles and equipment to be used include a drill rig and light vehicles, including vehicles for traffic control.

EnergyCo is committed to minimising disruption to the community.

Work will be carried out between 7am and 6pm, Monday to Friday, and Saturdays 8am to 1pm. There will be no work on Sundays. No drilling works will be conducted outside of these hours.

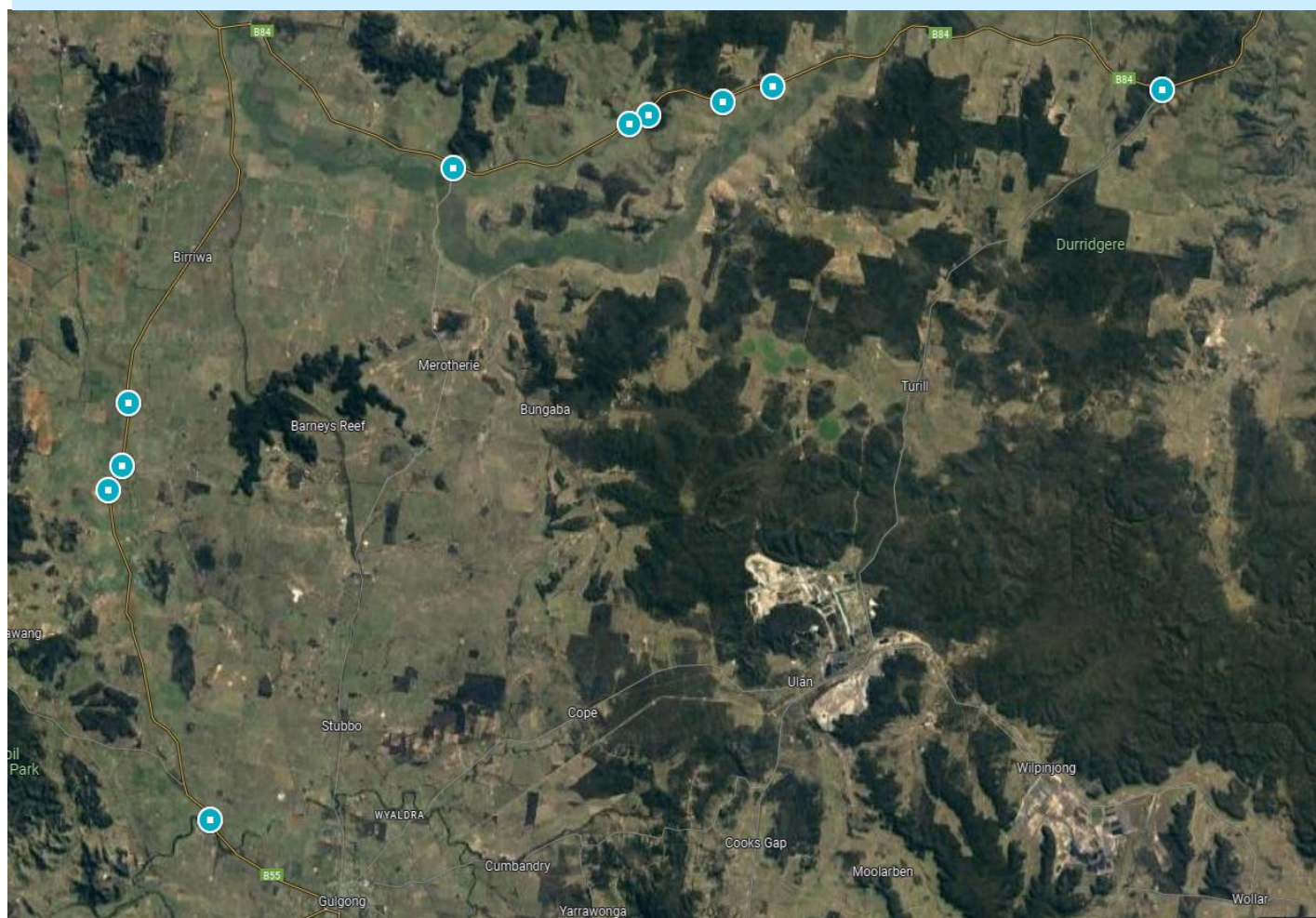
Traffic control will be in place with intermittent stopping and a reduced speed limit of 40km/hr in place close to the investigation sites. This will only be in place during the work hours and may affect travel times.

Motorists are advised to drive to the conditions, obey signs and traffic control and allow extra travel time during this work. For more information, please contact the project team on the details over the page.

Map of working areas

Geotechnical Investigation Site Locations

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