

Port to Renewable Energy Zones construction update

Start of construction

October 2025

EnergyCo is starting construction on the Port to Renewable Energy Zones upgrade at the New England Highway and Mitchell Line of Road intersection (Golden Highway), Whittingham.

We are delivering upgrades along the state roads network to enable the delivery of oversize over mass (OSOM) equipment needed to build renewable energy zones across NSW and leave improved roads for the whole community.

BMD Constructions will carry out the first stage of work at 19 locations between the Port of Newcastle and Elong Elong, unlocking access to the Central-West Orana Renewable Energy Zone.

What are we doing?

From late April 2025 until mid-2026, we will be working at multiple locations along the Port to Renewable Energy Zone route.

Work will start at the intersection of **New England Highway and Mitchell Line of Road (Golden Highway), Whittingham**, from 3 November 2025 and will include:

- Geotechnical investigations and surveying
- Concrete barrier installation
- Relocating and installing signage and hazard boards
- Building a hardstand in the existing central roundabout

Work hours and timing

Standard daytime work hours are **7am and 6pm, Monday to Friday**, and **8am to 1pm, Saturdays**.

We need to install concrete barriers around the work area to ensure the safety of workers and motorists. The barriers will be installed over **one night shift on during the week of 10 November 2025, 6pm to 7am**, weather permitting.

Any affected residents will be contacted directly.

What will this mean for you?

During the works there will be traffic control, temporary lane closures and machinery operating adjacent to, or on the road.

Lane closures will vary as the works progress. Access for road users will be maintained. We will make every effort to minimise noise and vibration impacts by turning off equipment when not in use and monitoring noise.

Please observe speed limits, follow the directions of traffic controllers and signs, plan ahead and allow extra travel time. For the latest updates, visit www.livetraffic.com or call 132 701.

Thank you for your patience during this important work.

Location of the work



Contact us

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