

Port to Renewable Energy Zones construction update

Pullover bay update

November 2025

EnergyCo is building new pullover bays as part of the Port of Newcastle to Central-West Orana renewable energy zone (REZ) road upgrades.

EnergyCo is delivering upgrades along the State-Road network to transport oversize overmass (OSOM) equipment to renewable energy zones (REZs) across NSW.

What are we doing?

BMD Constructions is carrying out the first stage of road upgrades, from the Port of Newcastle to the Central-West Orana REZ. They have been working at multiple locations since May 2025.

The Port to REZ upgrades now also include 8 new pullover bays, strategically located to fill gaps along the road network where there are no other suitable and safe locations for OSOM vehicles to let motorists pass.

Jerrys Plains pullover bay

A pullover bay is proposed in Jerrys Plains, located north of the BP Service Station. The area is currently used informally by vehicles to park or stop temporarily.

In June 2025 we engaged with the community about the location of the proposed pullover bay, including providing a notification and holding a community information session.

A range of opportunities and issues were raised including safety, the current condition of the

location, use of the pullover bay by non-OSOM vehicles and loss of parking.

Community members who were supportive of the new pullover bay felt new asphalt, kerb and gutters would improve the area.

Concerns raised included how OSOM vehicles would move on and off the highway to the pullover bay safely, how OSOM vehicles would interact with local traffic, and whether another location could be found outside of town.

Consultation outcome

After considering the feedback provided and investigating alternative locations nearby, the pullover bay in Jerrys Plains will be proceeding in the proposed location, north of the BP Service Station.

We are also investigating how the pullover bay could be used by others when OSOM vehicles are not using it.

The location is within the road reserve and provides the necessary length, grade and site distance for a pullover bay. Other sites were unable to meet these requirements. The site is also strategically located to provide a safe location for OSOM vehicles to pull over and let motorists pass.

Construction of the pullover bay in Jerrys Plains is scheduled to start in 2026.

Addressing road safety feedback

We acknowledge community feedback about road safety with increasing OSOM vehicle movements.

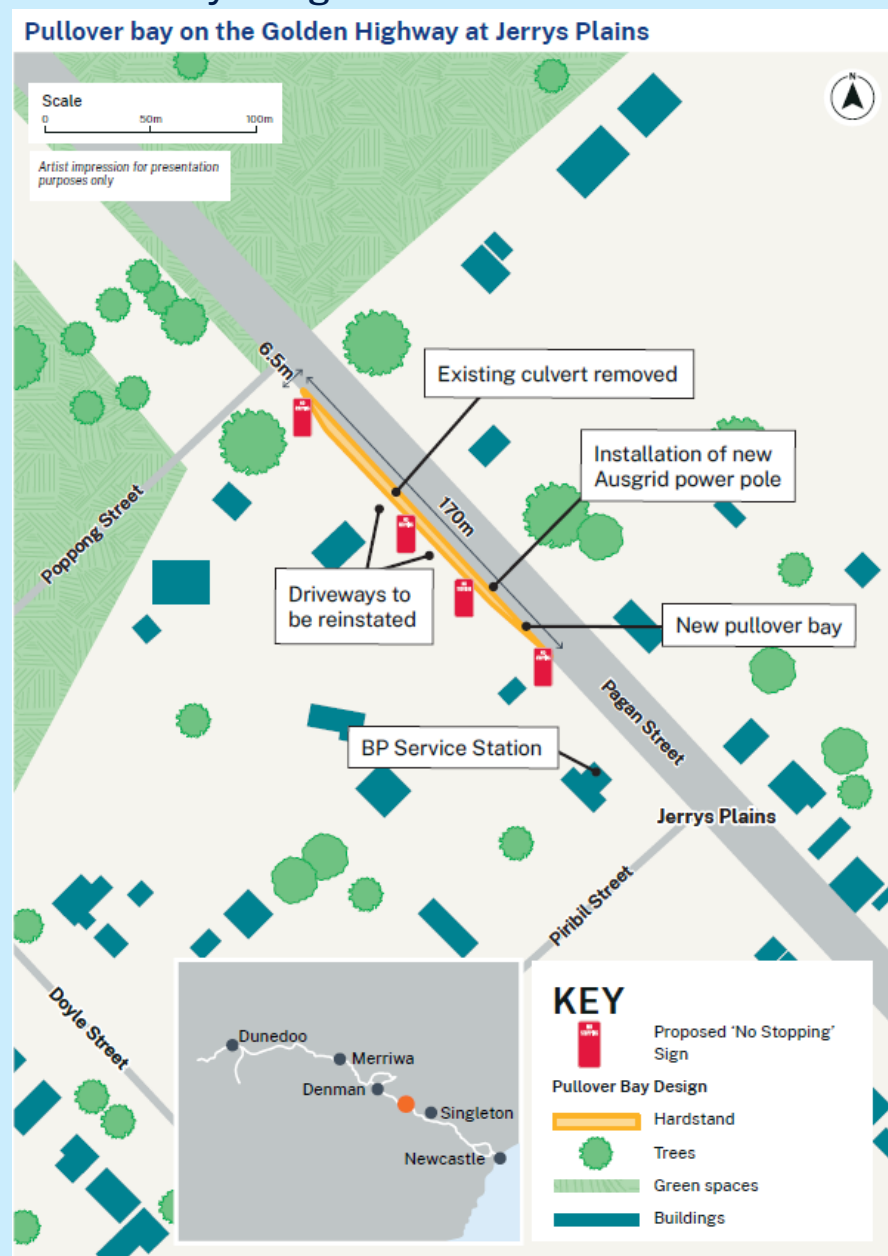
OSOM wind turbine component deliveries are accompanied by pilot vehicles, with amber warning lights. The largest wind turbine components are

also accompanied by police escort/s, with blue and red flashing lights.

We will continue to work with Transport for NSW to plan how OSOM vehicles will travel safely and efficiently.

We thank you for your feedback and we will continue to update the community with project updates and road safety information.

Pullover bay design



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