

Welcome to the Western Renewables Link (WRL) project update. With the Environment Effects Statement (EES) exhibition period now past its halfway mark, this edition provides an update on recent engagement activities along the proposed route. You'll find a summary of completed pop-up and information sessions, upcoming opportunities to speak with the project team, and guidance on where to access EES materials and how to make a submission.



Public exhibition progress – Now past halfway

The exhibition period for the EES and draft Planning Scheme Amendment (PSA) has now passed the halfway point. Since early July, the Western Renewables Link team has been active across the proposed route, helping landholders and community members access exhibition materials and speak directly with the project team.

Pop-up sessions were held at shopping centres, libraries and community hubs in Beaufort, Bacchus Marsh, Melton, Creswick and Stawell. These informal sessions provided a way for people to collect printed materials and USBs containing the full EES, ask the project team questions and learn more about the exhibition process.

Information sessions have also been completed across the project's proposed route, including at Ballan Scouts Hall, Coghills Creek Community Hall, McPherson Park in Melton, Joel Joel Hall, Darley, and Lexton. These events offered opportunities for landholders and the wider community to speak with technical specialists and project team members about important topics such as biodiversity, landholder impacts and planning matters.

Information sessions will continue until 13 August.

Upcoming information sessions

There's still time to attend an information session and speak with technical specialists and the project team. No bookings are required.

- **Elmhurst Mechanics Institute** – Thursday 7 August, 2pm – 7pm
- **Brown Hill Hall** – Saturday 9 August, 12pm – 3pm
- **Creswick Town Hall** – Tuesday 13 August, 4pm – 8pm

To learn more about upcoming opportunities to speak with the team, visit the [news and events page](#) on the project [website](#).

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Accessing the EES

The EES and draft PSA remain available online on the project [website](#). The website also hosts:

- [Fact sheets to help navigate the EES](#)
- A list of [public exhibition display locations](#) with printed materials available
- Details of [upcoming community information sessions](#)

In addition, you can collect a USB containing the full EES and draft PSA, along with a summary report and printed fact sheets from the display locations.

If you require support with accessing the EES and draft PSA, please contact the project team on 1800 975 975 or via at info@westernrenewableslink.com.au.



Making a submission

Submissions on the EES and/or draft PSA can be made via the Engage Victoria website at www.engage.vic.gov.au/Western-Renewables-Link-IAC until 11.59pm on Friday 22 August 2025.

Further details about the submission process are available via [Engage Victoria website](#), which includes instructions for submitting online or by hard copy, privacy and participation details, and an overview of the Inquiry and Advisory Committee process.



Want to speak with a member of our team?

The Western Renewables Link team are available to support you to access and navigate the EES and draft PSA. You can contact the team on our dedicated number 1800 975 975 or email us at info@westernrenewableslink.com.au.



About the project

The Western Renewables Link is a proposed electricity transmission line that will carry renewable energy from western Victoria to homes and businesses across the state and into the National Electricity Market.

The project is critical infrastructure required to unlock the renewable energy potential of western Victoria as a key Renewable Energy Zone and will help to deliver clean and affordable energy to all Victorians.

More information

Visit the project website westernrenewableslink.com.au for the latest project information.

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