

APPLICATION ON NOTIFICATION – CROWN DEVELOPMENT

Type of development:	Section 49 Public Infrastructure
Development Number:	010/V082/17 V1
Applicant:	The Solar River Project Pty Ltd
Nature of Development:	Variation to DA 010/V082/17 The Solar River Project: portion of underground transmission line varied to overhead powerline
Subject Land:	Several allotments on Lower Bright Road, Robertstown
Development Plan:	Goyder Council Development Plan
Zone / Policy Area:	Primary Production Zone
Contact Officer:	Laura Kerber
Phone Number:	7109 7073
Consultation Start Date:	Wednesday 26 September 2018
Consultation Close Date:	Friday 19 October 2018

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DEVELOPMENT ACT 1993

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CONSENT TO DEVELOPMENT

SECTION 49 – PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE

Notice is hereby given that an application has been made by **The Solar River Project Pty Ltd** for consent to vary DA 010/V082/17 The Solar River Project: portion of underground transmission line varied to overhead powerline Development Number: **010/V082/17 V1**.

The subject land is situated at Lower Bright Road, Robertstown and comprises various land parcels identified as A50, DP51338 [CT 5689/927]; A51, DP51338 [CT 5689/928]; S9, HP200300 [CT 5970/794]; A102, DP51041 [CT 5620/188]; A103, DP51041 [CT 5620/189]; S11, HP200300 [CT 5427/171]; S12, HP200300 [CT 5222/946]; S228, HP200300 [CT 5443/611].

The development site is located within the Primary Production Zone of the Regional Council of Goyder Development Plan (Consolidated on 24 November 2016).

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S49/S49A – CROWN DEVELOPMENT
REPRESENTATION ON APPLICATION**

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(please tick one)

- owner of local property
- occupier of local property
- a representative of a company/other organisation affected by the proposal
- a private citizen

The address of the property affected is: _____
Postcode: _____

My interests are:
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- I support the development with some concerns
- I oppose the development

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DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION FORM

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Postal Address: ThinLab G32, Ground Floor,
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Owner: _____

Postal Address: _____

BUILDER: _____

Postal Address: _____

_____ Licence No: _____

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Previous Development No: _____

Assessment No: _____

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Planning:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Building:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Land Division:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Additional:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Development Approval				

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: Transmission line Variation near substation to Development No:010/V082/17

LOCATION OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: _____

House No: _____ Lot No: _____ Street: _____ Town/Suburb: _____

Section No [full/part] _____ Hundred: _____ Volume: _____ Folio: _____

Section No [full/part] _____ Hundred: _____ Volume: _____ Folio: _____

LAND DIVISION:

Site Area [m²] _____ Reserve Area [m²] _____ No of existing allotments _____

Number of additional allotments [excluding road and reserve]: _____ Lease: YES NO

BUILDING RULES CLASSIFICATION SOUGHT: _____ Present classification: _____

If Class 5,6,7,8 or 9 classification is sought, state the proposed number of employees: Male: _____ Female: _____

If Class 9a classification is sought, state the number of persons for whom accommodation is provided: _____

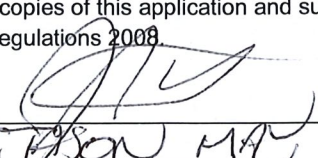
If Class 9b classification is sought, state the proposed number of occupants of the various spaces at the premises: _____

DOES EITHER SCHEDULE 21 OR 22 OF THE DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS 2008 APPLY? YES NO

HAS THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY TRAINING FUND ACT 2008 LEVY BEEN PAID? YES NO

DEVELOPMENT COST [do not include any fit-out costs]: \$ _____

I acknowledge that copies of this application and supporting documentation may be provided to interested persons in accordance with the Development Regulations 2008.

SIGNATURE: 
JASON MAY, MANAGING DIRECTOR

Dated: 27.7.18



Development Application Variation #1

Number 010/V082/17

**5600m Section of Underground Transmission Line
to Overhead Transmission Line**

The Solar River Project Pty Ltd

27th July 2018

Approver: Jason May

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Glossary

MW	Mega Watt
AC	Alternating Current
AEMO	The Australian Energy Market Operator
AIS	Air-insulated switchgear
CASA	Civil Aviation Safety Authority
CEMP	Construction Environmental Management Plan
DC	Direct Current
DEWNR	Department of Environment, Water and Natural Resources
DPTI	Department for Transport, Energy and Infrastructure
EPC	Engineering, Procurement and Construction
FIRB	Foreign Investment Review Board
HA	Hectares
HV	High Voltage
kV	Kilo Volt
mm	millimetre
MWh	Megawatt hour
OTR	Office of the Technical Regulator
PV	Photovoltaics
SA	South Australia
SEB	Significant Environmental Benefits
SRP	The Solar River Project Pty Ltd
T&D	Transmission and Distribution

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Solar River Project Pty Ltd is a Crown Development Approved Project. SRP seeks a variation to the development application number **010/V082/17 – Variation #1** will detail the change contained herein and the benefits. Variation #1 includes the replacement of the proposed underground section along Lower Bright Road Robertstown with a overhead powerline. The adjoining landowners have agreed overhead easements and a change from underground to overhead is now possible.

This variation application is submitted pursuant to Section 49 of the Development Act 1993 with the endorsement of the Department of State Development. The Section 49 process is appropriate for electricity infrastructure such as the proposed solar plant, as generation is provided to the people of South Australia and represents a service historically provided by the State Government.

The proposed variation incorporates the following key elements:

The original underground cable route via Goyder Council carriageway “Lower Bright Road” was necessary as landowners had not yet agreed with the 50-metre-wide easement required for an overhead power line. The relevant landowners have now agreed to easement terms and an overhead line is now possible.

The Powerline will be identical to that approved in the original application. All approval constraints and construction conditionality will be adopted as same.

A higher volume of traffic to the site is expected during construction phases. A detailed traffic assessment and controls will be included in a construction management plan. The plan will address traffic safety and access issues inherent with using heavy, oversized vehicles and general light construction traffic.

Construction noise and dust will pursuant to the CEMP in collaboration with nearby residents. The one dwelling occupied dwelling on Lower Bright Road and the second located 1km from the line belongs to participating landowners. Regardless Construction activities are unlikely to affect the occupant/s directly. Dust suppressions methods such as water trucks will be used during construction to limit dust emissions due to vehicle movements. No night time work is planned.

No State or Commonwealth threatened flora species or plant communities were recorded during the desktop assessment. Given the highly degraded nature of the subject site, it is not considered likely that any threatened plant species or communities are present. Mitigation plans will be employed and detailed environmental assessment will take prior to detail design with will identify the avoidance area.

The subject site has been assessed as being of low Aboriginal archaeological sensitivity due to the lack of temporary or permanent water sources. In addition, the site has been subject to ground disturbance through pastoral, agricultural and grazing activities.

Overall, the development assessment comply with the standards, codes, and policies included in the Development Act, the Development Plan, and the Guide to the Assessment of Crown Development and Public Infrastructure.



1. INTRODUCTION

1.1.VARIATION OUTLINE

SRP seeks a variation to the replace the proposed 5.3km underground transmission line with 5.6km of overhead powerline (increased length due to terrain and vegetation constraints, located along Lower Bright Road Robertstown. The landowners have agreed easements and a change from underground to overhead is now possible. The two landowners with an occupied dwelling along the proposed route are project participants supporting this variation.

1.2.THE DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION PROCESS

The Solar River Project Pty Ltd has prepared this variation to the development application No: 010/V082/17 for submission to the DPTI/Department of Premier and Cabinet (DPC) for lodgement to the Development Assessment Commission (DAC). The application is lodged in accordance with the public infrastructure provisions of section 49 of the Development Act 1993 (SA), for the approval of the construction and operation of the proposed project and ancillary infrastructure.

1.3.THE SOLAR RIVER PROJECT

The Solar River Project Pty Ltd. Registered Address of Company is 10 Pulteney Street Adelaide South Australia 5000, Adelaide University Building.

1.4.APPLICANT DETAILS

The applicant's details are as follows:

Development No	:010/V082/17 Powerline Variation
Applicant Name	: The Solar River Project Pty Ltd
Contact	: Jason May (Managing Director)
Address	:10 Pulteney Street Adelaide South Australia 6000, Adelaide University Building, ThincLab, Suite WS G32
ACN	: 622113517

2. TRANSMISSION LINE ROBERTTOWN SUBSTATION TO DARTMOOR SITE

2.1.1. TRANSMISSION LINE

The transmission line consists of a lighter construction intermediate line pole, terminal and Angle poles. A Terminal pole is used when the overhead power line terminates and is connected to substation equipment, or transitions to an underground cable. Angle poles are used where the line changes direction. The examples of poles used are shown in **Error! Reference source not found.** This will be installed according to the transmission line regulation and legislation Act of South Australia. The line route from Dartmoor (site) to Robertstown substation goes through several properties, the transmission line easement will be subjected to environmental and ecological assessment while the detailed design is in progress. There will be minimal disturbance to vegetation and the ecology during the construction of the transmission line. The solar river transmission line pole height will not exceed 30m, similar to other ElectraNet lines in the region.





Solar River 275kV Pole

Figure 1: Example (132kV) Transmission line and structural pole (line, terminal and angle) and proposed 275kV Pole

The new overhead transmission line will be constructed from the Robertstown substation to site. The proposed 50 m line easement for the new transmission line is shown in Figure 3. The approved underground cable will be replaced with a short 5.3km overhead section approximately 5.6km, the design will be completed in harmony with avoidance of Flora, fauna and heritage areas. The optimum line route with this 100m corridor will be determined during detailed design. The line will be limited to sections as nominated in Figure 2. The design and pole location will consider minimal disruption to flora fauna, avoiding public roads and dwellings. Construction methodology as detailed in the CEMP will consider access, heritage and vegetation protection zones. Every pole location will be subject to a detailed ecological and heritage site survey as detailed in the CEMP.

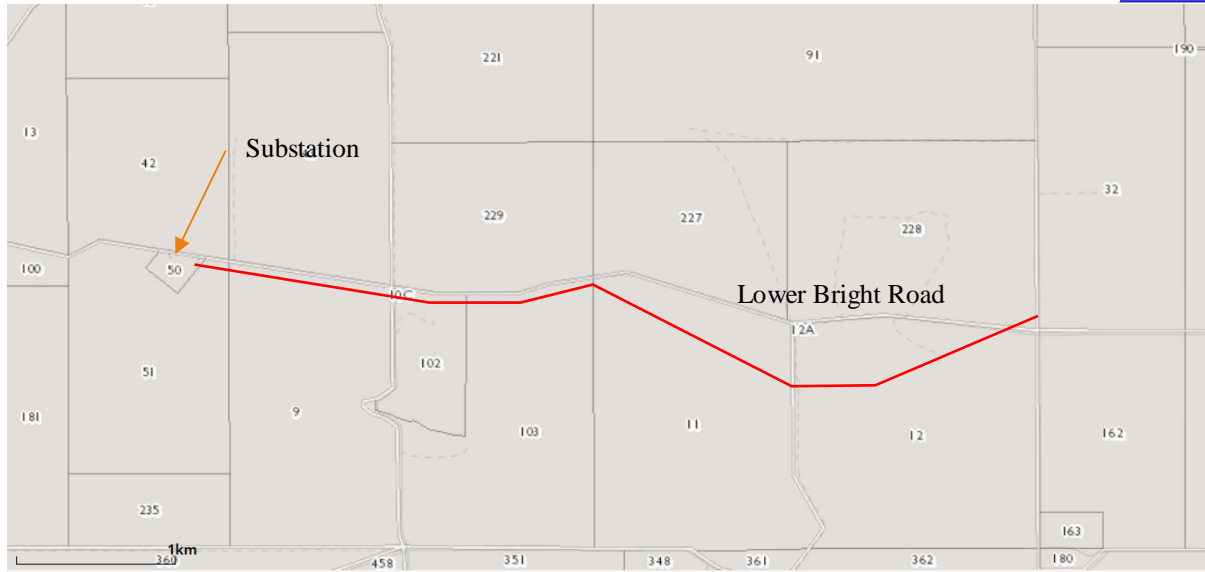


Figure 2: Transmission route from the substation (Section 50) to (Section 32)

3. TRANSMISSION LINE VARIATION LOWER BRIGHT ROAD ROBERTSTOWN

3.1.INTRODUCTION AND LOCATION

It is proposed a new transmission line to be installed from the ElectraNet Robertstown substation to Lot 32 location 5300m east of the Substation on Lower Bright Road. The proposed overhead transmission line to be 275kV line, this consists of new conductor and supporting pylons. The Proponent describes the following actions as part of the Project:

- New galvanised mono- poles and conductor will be installed
- The number of poles installed will be approximately will be 14 subject to detailed design.
- Holes will be excavated at each pole location.
- Ecological specialist will develop control measures to protect flora and fauna species and soil stability during construction. A whole of life maintenance plan will reflect same.
- Establishment of a temporary site compound and several pole-laydown areas during the construction process

The project will be located on land in the Goyder council and in Warnes Out of Hundreds Burra (Pastoral Unincorporated Area). There are already existing 132kV and 275kV lines in the area. The overall line route is shown Figure 3, The line route may vary subjected to detailed design taking into account of sensitive areas up to 100m either sides of line route within the land parcels identified.

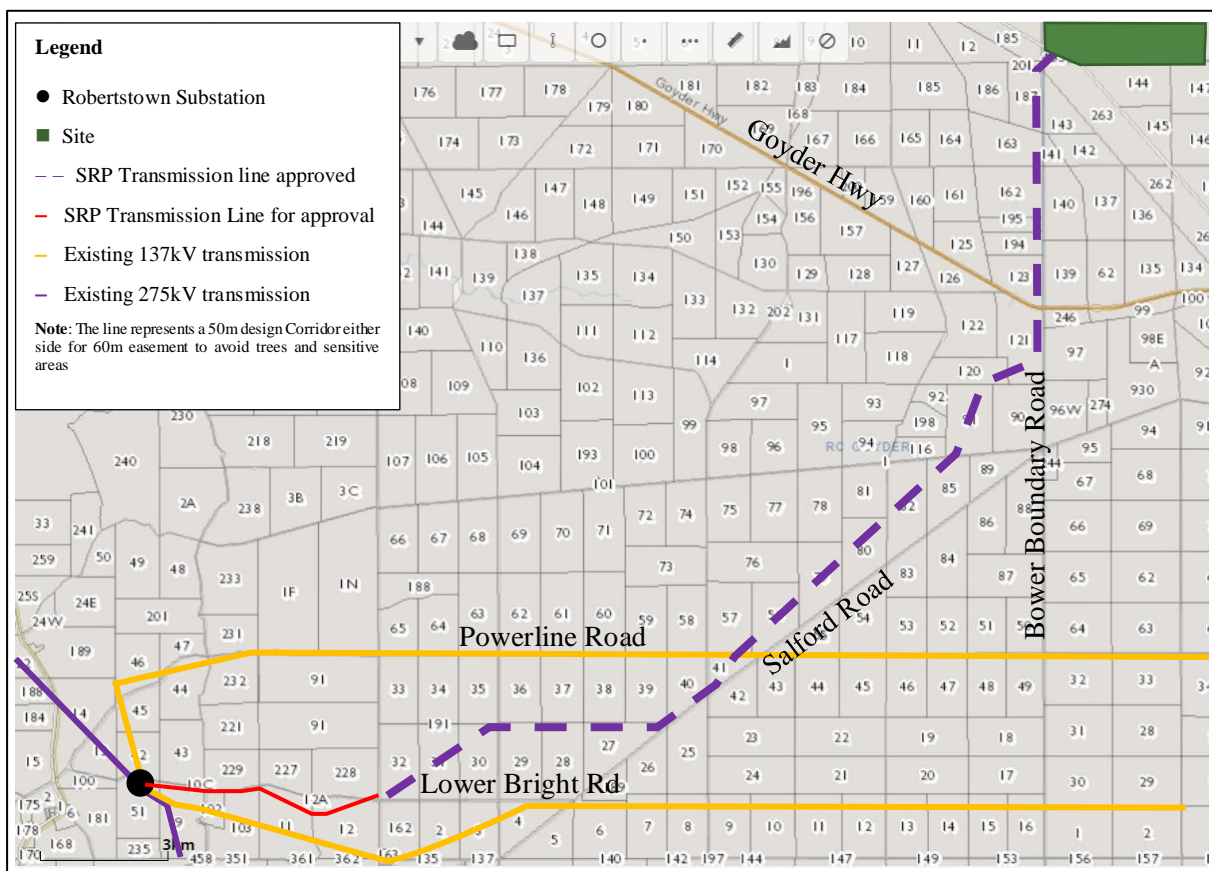


Figure 3: Transmission line route from the Robertstown substation to Section 32

3.2.LAND DESCRIPTION

The new transmission line will cross 9 parcels of land as well as Goyder council Lower Bright Road. The table details the land parcels included in the development. The affected land holders Table 1 have been consulted re the proposed development and are all project participants.

Table 1: Land Descriptions

PARCEL IDENTIFIER	PROPERTY HOUSE	PROPERTY ST NAME	PROPERTY SUBURB	TITLE
D51338AL50	192	LOWER BRIGHT	BRIGHT	CT5689/927
D51338AL51	LOT 51	GOVT	BRIGHT	CT5689/928
H200300SE9	LOT 9	LOWER BRIGHT	BRIGHT	CT5970/794
D51041AL102	118	EAGLE HAWKE GATE	BRIGHT	CT5620/188
D51041AL103	LOT 103	LOWER BRIGHT	BRIGHT	CT5620/189
H200300SE11	LOT 11	LOWER BRIGHT	GERANIUM PLAINS	CT5427/171
H200300SE12	631	LOWER BRIGHT	GERANIUM PLAINS	CT5222/946
H200300SE228	631	LOWER BRIGHT	GERANIUM PLAINS	CT5443/611
H200300SE229	LOT 221	GOVT	BRIGHT	CT5561/287

3.3.ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Environmental impact assessment is a process for identifying, predicting, planning for and managing the physical, ecological, economic and social impacts of development proposals prior to approval being considered.

3.3.1. FLORA

The project will result in some disturbance of species and ecological community. The Solar River Project will avoid heavy vegetation areas. The Native vegetation present in the land sections are described in Table 2. All the land parcels are heavily disturbed used for agricultural purposes.

Table 2: Parcel/ Land and the Vegetation Description of vegetation present in the land

PARCEL IDENTIFIER	D51338AL50, D51338AL51, H200300SE9, D51041AL102, D51041AL103, H200300SE11, H200300SE12, H200300SE228, H200300SE229
Description of Vegetation	Eucalyptus gracilis, Eucalyptus oleosa ssp. oleosa, Eucalyptus socialis ssp., +/- Eucalyptus dumosa mid mallee woodland over Enchylaena tomentosa var., Senna artemisioides ssp., Senna artemisioides ssp. petiolaris (NC), Grevillea

	huegelii, Olearia muelleri mid open shrubland over Zygophyllum aurantiacum ssp., +/-Maireana pentatropis low sparse shrubland
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The over lay of the proposed transmission line route with Native vegetation is shown in Figure 4. A detailed environmental site assessment at each pole location will be undertaken during detailed design, where the route is established with minimal disruption of vegetation. A detailed 50-metre-wide environmental assessment will be undertaken for the transmission line to avoid any sensitive areas. The line route can be adjusted within the proposed 100m approval buffer to avoid said areas.

Mitigation plans will be implemented as following:

- Development and implementation of a CEMP
- In accordance with the CEMP a defined disturbance zones will be established at each pole replacement site prior to works commencing.
- Vehicle and equipment parking/storage sites should be established in previously disturbed areas (i.e. areas already cleared of native vegetation in all strata)
- Movement of machinery and vehicles should occur along/within the proposed power line easement, or to utilise existing road and track to avoid unnecessary disturbance.
- Rehabilitation of soils and vegetation within PDZs, within 1 month of the completion of works at each individual Pole Disturbance Zone.
- Disturbed areas are to be re-vegetated with a mixture of native grass species seeds, preferably collected from the local region.



Figure 4: Native Vegetation along the transmission line easement



3.3.2. FAUNA

The Fauna species listed in Table 3 is on 1 km buffer zone from the proposed transmission line route. As seen there is no rare species been identified in the region through the desktop assessment.

The mitigation of any of the rare species will be;

- Engage a suitably qualified ecologist to implement White Winged Chough Protection and Management Plan if necessary.
- Any areas identified during detailed site inspection to have fauna species habitat will be avoided
- No detrimental impact to these species is envisaged, regardless SRP will contribute to offsets and breeding programs.

Table 3: NatureMaps List of possible Fauna species on the Transmission line route

CLASS NAME	SPECIES	COMMON NAME	NATIVE	NUMBER OF RECORDS	LAST SIGHTED
AVES	Ocyphaps lophotes	Crested Pigeon	Y	1	11-Oct-2010
REPTILIA	Pogona sp.		Y	1	11-Oct-2010

3.4.TRAFFIC

Traffic management will be conducted in accordance with the development approval.

3.5.VISUAL IMPACT ON TRANSMISSION LINE

There is one residential properties which has direct lines of sight to the transmission line. This residential is a project participant. There are existing transmission lines and they are highly visible along Lower Bright Road. There is no perceived negative impact on the landscape associated with the proposed design. A Viewshed analysis is attached in Appendix B, like similar lines in the area this is a representation as seen by the local resident in transit.

The view from nearby dwellings has been taken into account. Figure 5 shows the surrounding dwellings to the proposed transmission line. The stars show the rural access point to the dwellings. For most the transmission line route is not visible. TheTable 4 shows the summary of dwellings in related to the visibility of the transmission line.

Table 4: The dwelling and the visibility of the transmission line from the dwelling.

Rural Access point	Occupied/Unoccupied	Project Participant	Visible (Yes/No)	Consulted (Yes/No)	Objections (Yes/No)
631	Occupied	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
118	Occupied	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
235	Unoccupied	No	Yes	Yes	No

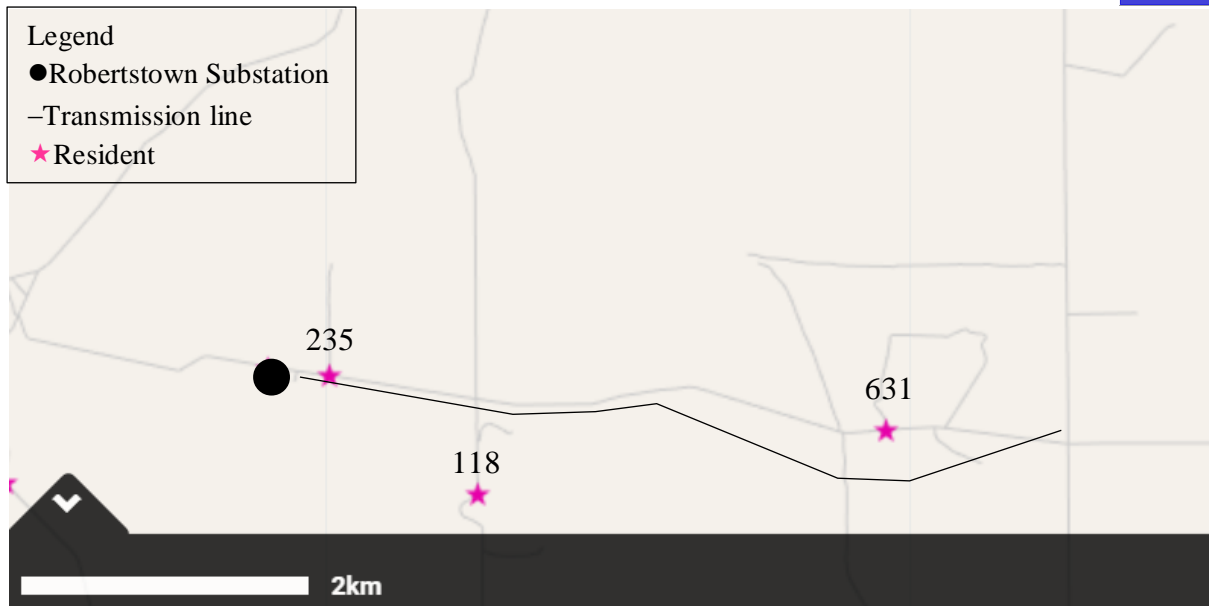


Figure 5: Residents Surrounding the proposed transmission line

3.6.DETAILED CONSIDERATIONS

Comprehensive Construction Environment Management Plan CEMP as previously approved will be developed prior to the undertaking of any construction or development activities. These plans shall include as a minimum:

- Measures to avoid impacts on areas outside of development footprints;
- Erosion and Sediment controls to be implemented during construction and remediation;
- Flora and Fauna Protection and Management Plan;
- Waste management plans for construction activities;
- Workplace health and safety plans to protect workers and the public from harm;
- Unanticipated Discovery Protocols for the management of impacts unexpected heritage object finds;
- Traffic management plans;
- Revegetation/remediation plans.
- The transmission line route suggested has a 50m design Corridor (Contained within the land parcels nominated) on either side of the array and proposed line route for 50m easement to avoid trees and sensitive areas.

4. HEALTH, SAFETY AND FIRE RESPONSE

- As Approved Previously

5. POTENTIAL IMPACTS AND PROPOSED MITIGATION MEASURES

5.1.1. FLORA

IMPACT

The detailed design will avoid areas of native vegetation, as identified through ecology site survey. In accordance with the NVC Guidelines for a Native Vegetation Significant Environmental Benefit Interim Policy, vegetation clearing for the Project has been assumed to be 2% of the Project area. However, it should be noted that in the absence of detailed design, it is not expected the long-term impact will be across the site as there are uncertainties in relation to the medium to long-term impacts of shading on vegetation health over time.

No vegetation communities of conservation significance were observed during the baseline survey. Significant Environmental Benefit payment (under the Native Vegetation Act) to a third-party SEB provider or into the Native Vegetation Fund will provide a suitable offset for this clearance.

Due to the minimal amount of native vegetation present on site the vegetation clearance amount will be minimal to nil subjected to detailed design and further inspection by an ecology specialist.

The spread of environmental weeds through construction activities can potentially inhibit the regeneration of indigenous species on the disturbed construction sites, forming a longer term, perhaps permanent, weed cover, and can result in the invasion of adjoining, non-disturbed vegetation, particularly by species not currently present. Weed hygiene protocols will be implemented during construction activities to minimise the risk of weed spread and ongoing weed management will be undertaken where required, in consultation with the landowner and NRM Board where relevant.

MITIGATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES

Management and mitigation measures for flora values are developed to achieve the following outcomes:

- Implementation of a Construction Environment Management Plan (CEMP)
- Implementation of an Operational Environment Management Plan (OEMP)
- Prevention of unnecessary clearance of vegetation during construction
- Retain small shrubs and groundcover across the site where possible.
- Avoid works beyond the boundaries of the approved area including vehicle entry, personnel entry, storage of goods and materials and stockpiling of topsoil or cleared vegetation.
- If required, an application will be made for the clearance of native vegetation in accordance with the Native Vegetation Act 1991.
- Utilise procedures to restrict the spread of weed and pest species from the subject site.
- Rehabilitate areas that no longer need to be cleared of vegetation; and

- Develop and implement a rehabilitation and revegetation program post-construction.
- Monitor the health of vegetation on-site, in particular, how the shading of the solar panels impacts vegetation communities;
- A detailed assessment will be conducted prior to detail design and again during construction to mitigate areas of subject to Threatened species, if any.

5.1.2. FAUNA

IMPACTS

During construction period the region with high habitat will be avoided. Some direct mortality of fauna such as lizards and small mammals and kangaroos may occur during construction, from collision with machinery or vehicle or entrapment in trenches and excavations. Where excavations are planned to be left open and represent a fauna entrapment risk, escape routes for fauna will be provided or alternatively they will be checked regularly for trapped fauna. An appropriately training and licenced fauna catcher will then relocate the animal.

The potential impacts of the physical structure also needs to be considered, these are potential collision of birds with structures. The potential for bird species to collide with construction cranes or new poles is considered highly unlikely.

Hairy-nosed Wombats are present in the central area of the site and evidence of wombat presence was noted during the site visit. Wombat numbers in parts of the SA Murray-Darling Basin appear to have increased in recent years and they have been observed in areas where historically they have not been seen. Construction and operations staff will to trained to avoid / give way to wombats.

MANAGEMENT AND MITIGATION

Management and mitigation measures for fauna values are developed to achieve the following outcomes:

- Minimise vegetation clearance as related/discussed in flora
- Ensure that where excavations are to be left open and represent a fauna entrapment risk, escape routes are provided or the excavations are checked regularly to release trapped fauna.
- Minimise the lighting needed to minimise the attraction of insects or birds such as bats
- Undertake any active wombat management (if required) in consultation with an ecologist and the NRM Board.
- During operation the impacts will be monitored and actions needed to be taken to mitigate it and studies to be done.
- CEMP will do a detailed assessment prior to detail design and construction to mitigate the areas of Threatened species, if any.

5.1.3. HERITAGE

IMPACT

A desktop heritage assessment and Aboriginal archaeological survey of the subject site was completed to determine the presence of non-Aboriginal and Aboriginal archaeological material

within the boundaries of the subject site. The subject site has been assessed as being of low Aboriginal archaeological sensitivity due to the lack of temporary or permanent water sources. In addition, the site has been subject to moderate to high ground disturbance through pastoral, agricultural and industrial use.

It is anticipated that the Project will have no impact on known Indigenous or non-Indigenous heritage. Unidentified Indigenous and non-Indigenous cultural heritage sites and objects have the potential to occur and may be damaged during ground disturbance associated with construction and operation of the Project. The probability of encountering a site or object of significance within the Project area is minimal, as the area contains no rock outcrops, prominent hills or ridgelines which might obscure any such site or object from view.

Should the development require any areas of ground disturbance outside of the survey coverage, additional heritage assessment would be undertaken for these areas.

MANAGEMENT AND MITIGATION

Management and mitigation measures for heritage values are developed to achieve the following outcomes:

- If any unexpected objects or skeletal remains that may be of heritage significance are identified during the construction period, stop work procedures will be implemented such as Stop Works, Restrict Access, assess object/ site, manage the area and access.
- For Assess object/ site a suitably qualified Aboriginal Monitor or Archaeologist to assess the archaeological material and advise on nature and significance. Contact the local Police if suspected human remains have been discovered.
- During construction phase minimise vegetation clearance as far as practicable through design, layout and controls during construction.
- Avoid any areas or locations of heritage significance during the design stage and construction stage, this will be implemented via the Construction Environment Management Plan

Solar River project will produce a CEMP with a detailed risk and mitigating implementation issues and risks register. This will manage and mitigate issues and risks that occurs during the projects construction.

5.2. TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

As previously submitted and approved

6. CONCLUSION

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7. REFERENCES

As submitted previously

The Solar River Project Development Application - Number 010/V082/17

8. APPENDIX

Appendix A- Variation Design Layout

Appendix B- SRP View Shed Analysis

Appendix C- Aboriginal Affairs & Reconciliation Letter – AAR V2018 - 000789



9. ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A - Aboriginal Affairs & Reconciliation Letter – AAR V2018 - 000789

Other supporting Attachments as submitted previously

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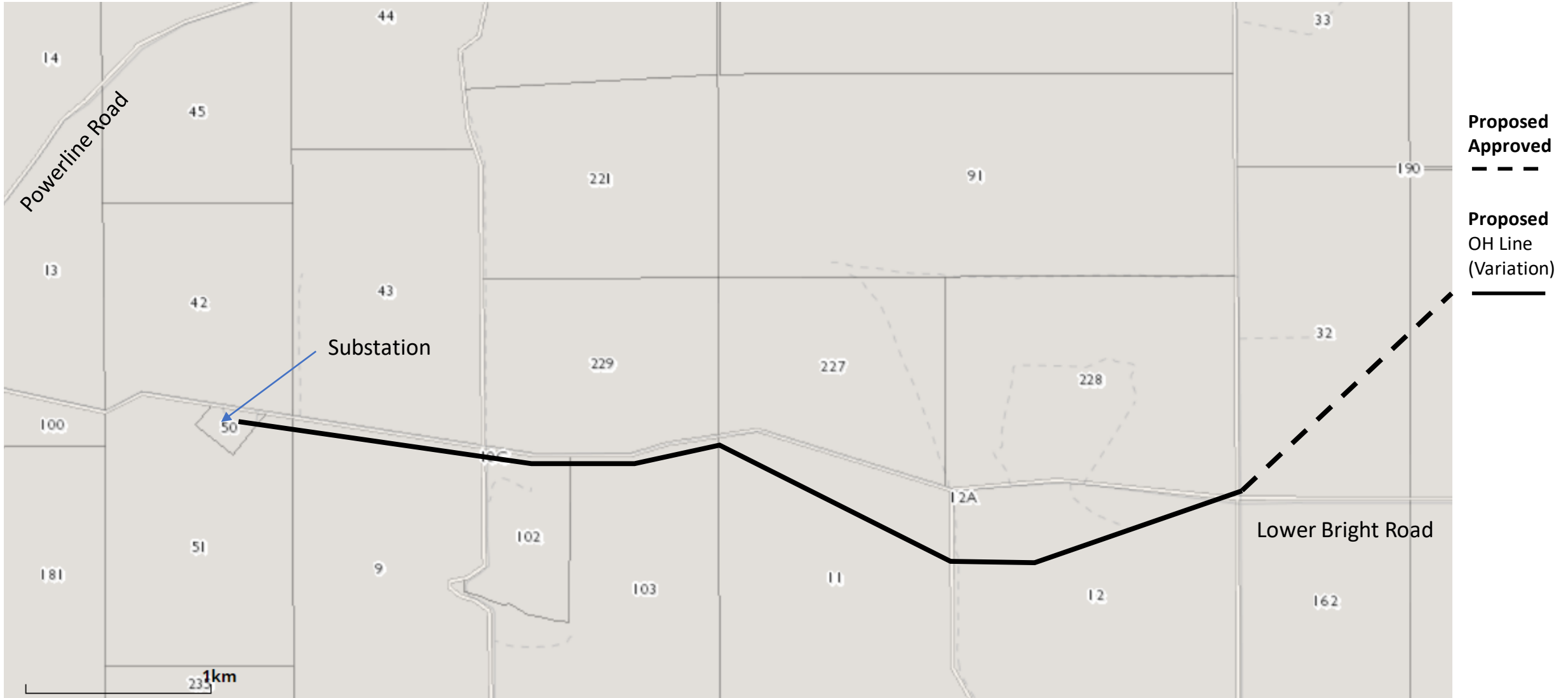
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The Solar River Variation of 5.6Km Layout





The Solar River Project
View Shed Analysis
Replace Underground Cable
with
Overhead Poles Wires
Lower Bright Road Robertstown

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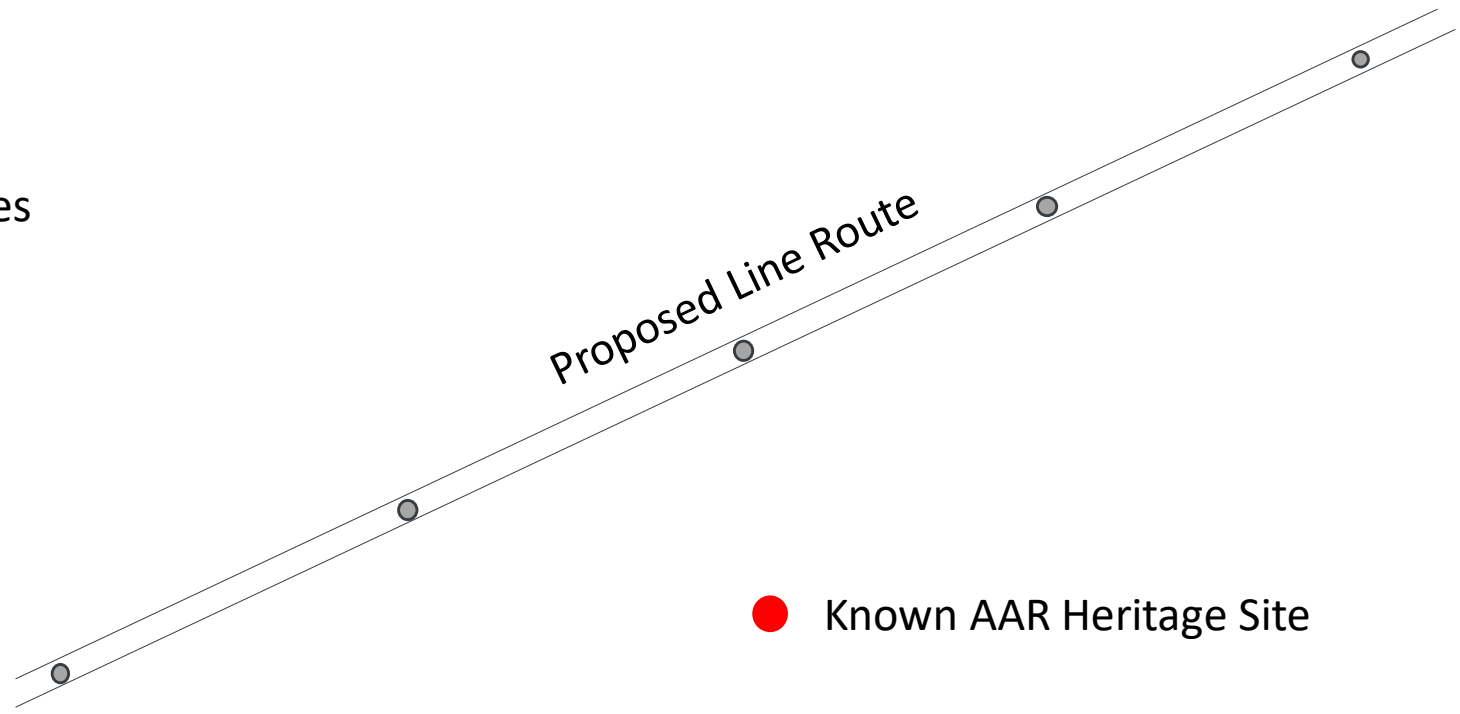
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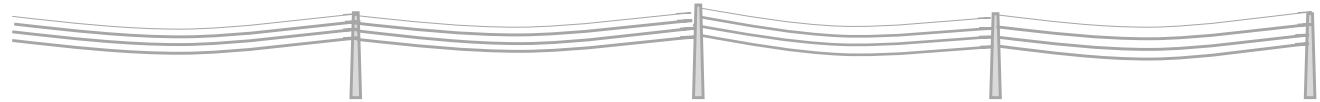


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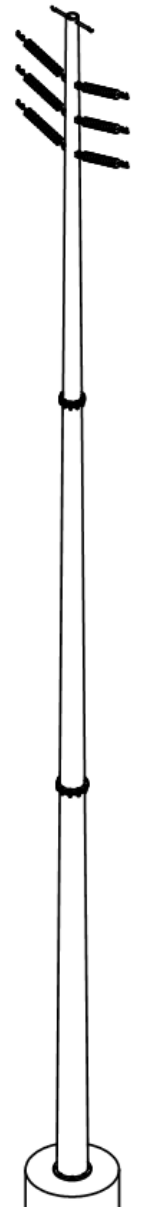


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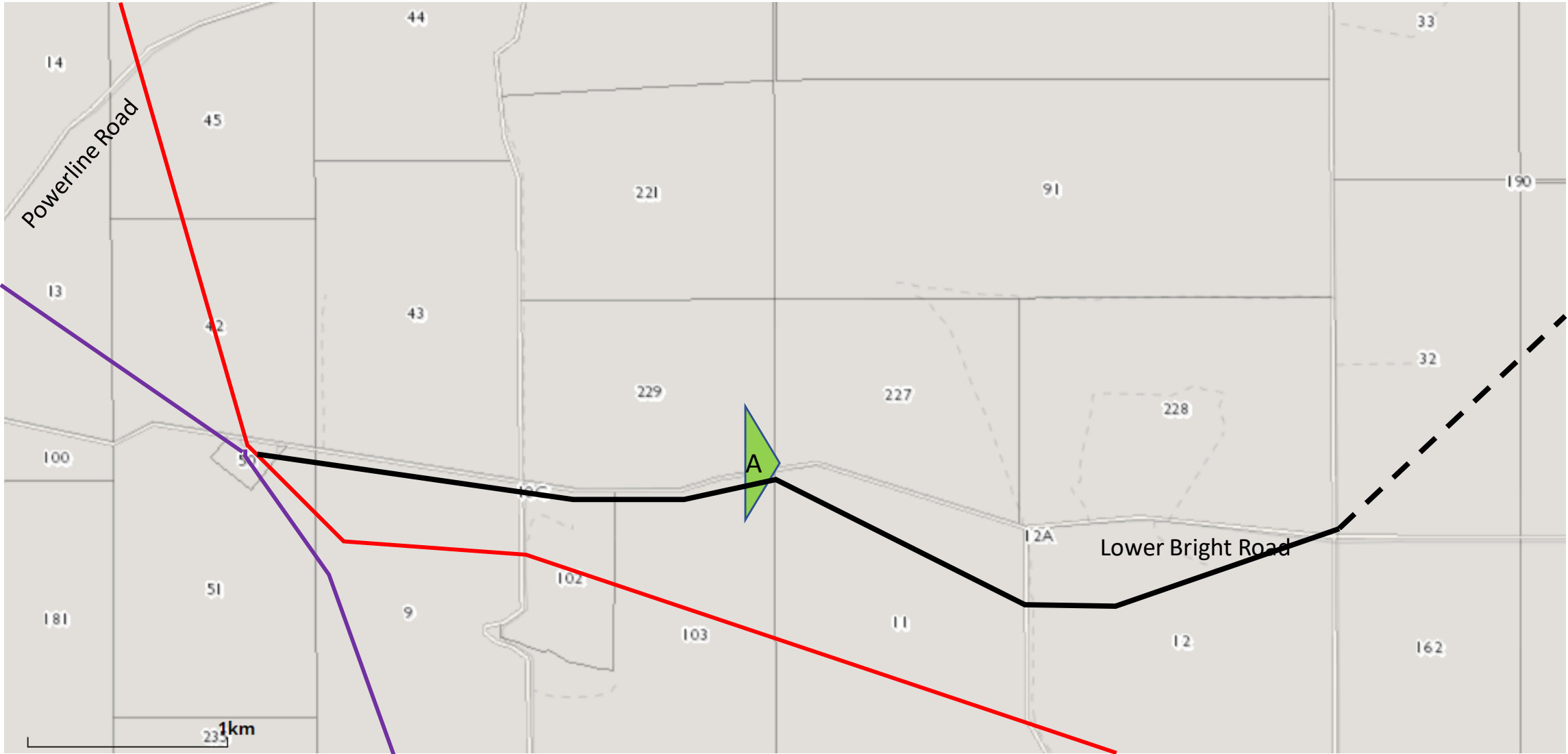


Power Pole





Powerline location



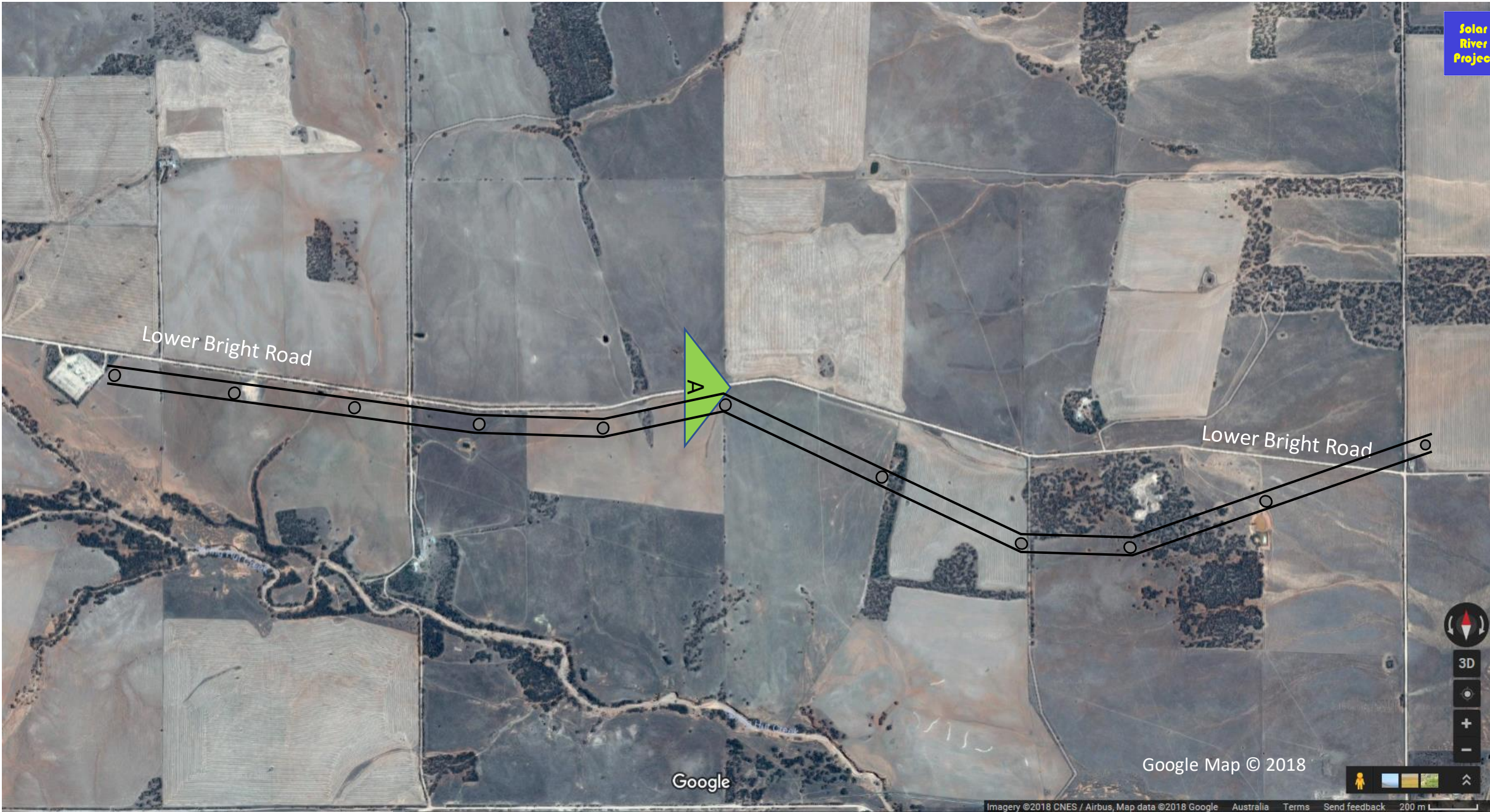
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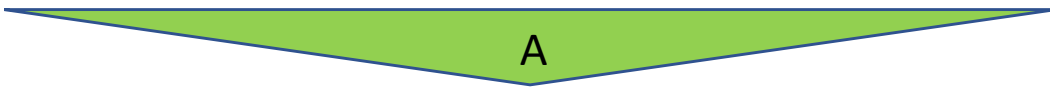
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152kV line

275kV line



View of Lower Bright Road



View Lower Bright Road

Note:

1. Care has been taken to avoid sensitive areas. Detailed design will consider and avoid sensitive areas.
2. For road safety and reduced visual impact care has been taken to avoid poles road ways.
3. Care has been taken to avoid homes and native vegetation.
4. There are No poles located on public roads.
5. The line will be constructed 100% on private land average distance half a kilometre from any public road.
6. The line avoids all residential dwellings.
7. The line will be constructed in an area with two existing transmission lines.
8. The line has been design to limit visual impact from public road or public vantage points.
9. Effected land owners have been consulted.
10. The poles will be grey in colour.
11. View shed at road crossings included in the attached.
12. The Array is not visible to the general public.



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RE: Variation on Development Number:010/V082/17 V1

Dear Laura,

Please find [The Solar River Project response to the information request by DPTI on 20/08/2018 regarding the Variation to DA 010/V082/17 The Solar River Project: portion of underground transmission line varied to an overhead powerline](#)

1. Confirmation regarding the subject site. Pg 12 of the Application Report includes Lot 221 (Section 229) CT 5561/287 which is a land parcel located north of Lower Bright Road and does not appear to be impacted by the proposed powerline. Please confirm how this allotment is involved in the development.

[Lot 221 \(Section 229\) due to design rationalisation is no longer involved in the development.](#)

2. Pg 9 makes reference to two (2) powerline distances – 5.3km and 5.6km. Please confirm the length of overhead powerline.

[SRP Confirms that the length of the overhead line associated with this variation application is 5.6km](#)

3. Pg 9 makes reference to a 50m line easement and a 100m line corridor. Pg 11 makes reference to a 60m easement to avoid trees and sensitive areas. Please provide clarification of these measurements and further information on the relationship between them.

[The reference to the line easement should be amended to 50 metres. SRP confirms a 100-metre design corridor.](#)

4. An additional site / layout plan which clearly demonstrates the relationship of the proposed powerline, pole locations, impacted land parcels, and existing patches of native vegetation. This plan should include:

- -identification of the affected allotments (parcel IDs)
- -road names and substation location
- -proposed transmission route including indicative pole locations
- -the '100m approval buffer'
- -overlaid on aerial imagery

** this plan would essentially be an amalgamation of the information shown on the main layout plan as well as Figure 2, 4, 5 and Pg 5 of the view shed analysis (pole locations and aerial)

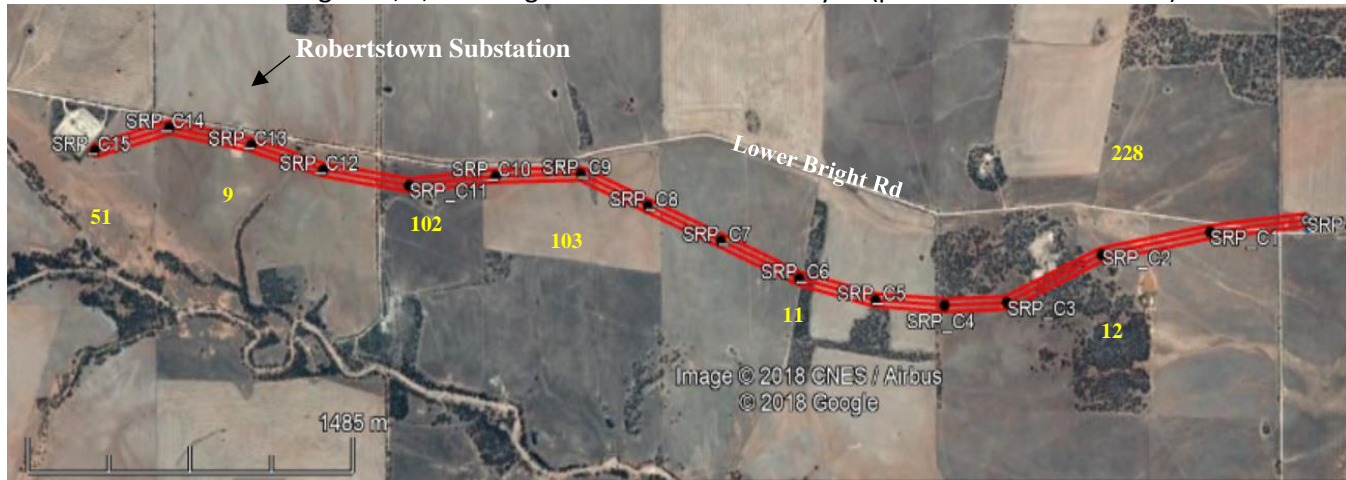


Figure 1: The parcel lot numbers in yellow, proposed Transmission line route and Pole location

The 100metre buffer is 50 metres either side of the transmission line (centre line) as detailed in Fig 1.

PARCEL IDENTIFIER	LOT NUMBER	PROPERTY ST NAME	PROPERTY SUBURB	TITLE
D51338AL50	Lot 50	Lower Bright	Bright	CT5689/927
D51338AL51	Lot 51	Govt	Bright	CT5689/928
H200300SE9	Lot 9	Lower Bright	Bright	CT5970/794
D51041AL102	Lot 102	Eagle Hawke Gate	Bright	CT5620/188
D51041AL103	Lot 103	Lower Bright	Bright	CT5620/189
H200300SE11	Lot 11	Lower Bright	Geranium plains	CT5427/171
H200300SE12	Lot 12	Lower Bright	Geranium plains	CT5222/946
H200300SE228	Lot 228	Lower Bright	Geranium plains	CT5443/611

All of the above-mentioned parcel owners are stakeholders of The Solar River Project, they have shown their support for the project. Note (Confidential) Section 51 land owner has not signed with SRP as ElectraNet seek to purchase this land. SRP will enter into an arrangement with ElectraNet.

5. Indicative heavy vehicle route to the subject site and any required road upgrades.

The vehicle route for any materials transfer will be as per the CEMP traffic management plan. Note SRP is committed to funding support via Goyder Council for any road upgrades if needed. The key transport route is identified in Appendix B

6. The subject site includes areas of native vegetation (particularly Sections 11 and Section 12). Further information is requested on how the project will be designed and managed to minimise the extent of clearance and/or disturbance, including:

Table 2 provides a description of the vegetation community which may be impacted by the development. Further information is requested on the conservation value / importance of this community: Is it protected? Does it provide habitat for local flora / fauna? It is intact? The areas identified for construction are heavily disturbed. Kleinfelder Australia have been engaged to verify the preliminary findings in the application. The final report is expected next week, and will be issued to DPTI shortly thereafter.

- Pg 13 of the Application Report refers to a 100m approval buffer however this is not depicted anywhere. Further information is required to provide an understanding of how this buffer may be utilised to minimise vegetation disturbance. [The buffer is located 50 metres either side of the proposed transmission line \(50 metres from the proposed transmission line centre line\)](#)
 - Pg 13 refers to a Pole Disturbance Zone – how large are these areas? [The Pole Disturbance Zone is 3 metres by 3 metres.](#)
 - Ongoing impact to vegetation – will periodic pruning of the native vegetation be required to maintain clearance to the powerlines? If yes, to what extent is the clearance and what impact will it have on the native vegetation? [No, Care has been taken to position poles to eliminate the need for vegetation pruning.](#)
 - Further information on the proposed strategies during construction to minimise disturbance of native vegetation – how will heavy vehicles move around the vegetation etc. [Heavy vehicles will utilise existing tracks, movements will be limited to tracks and laydown areas detailed in this application, movements will be controlled in accordance with the CEMP.](#)
7. Where is the proposed location for the temporary site compound (indicative only). [Appendix A shows the laydown area \(Marked in blue shaded boxes\) for each pole during construction, this area is approximately 20 metres by 20 metres. Care has been taken to avoid native vegetation.](#)

Please contact me if you have any further questions.

Yours Faithfully



Jason May

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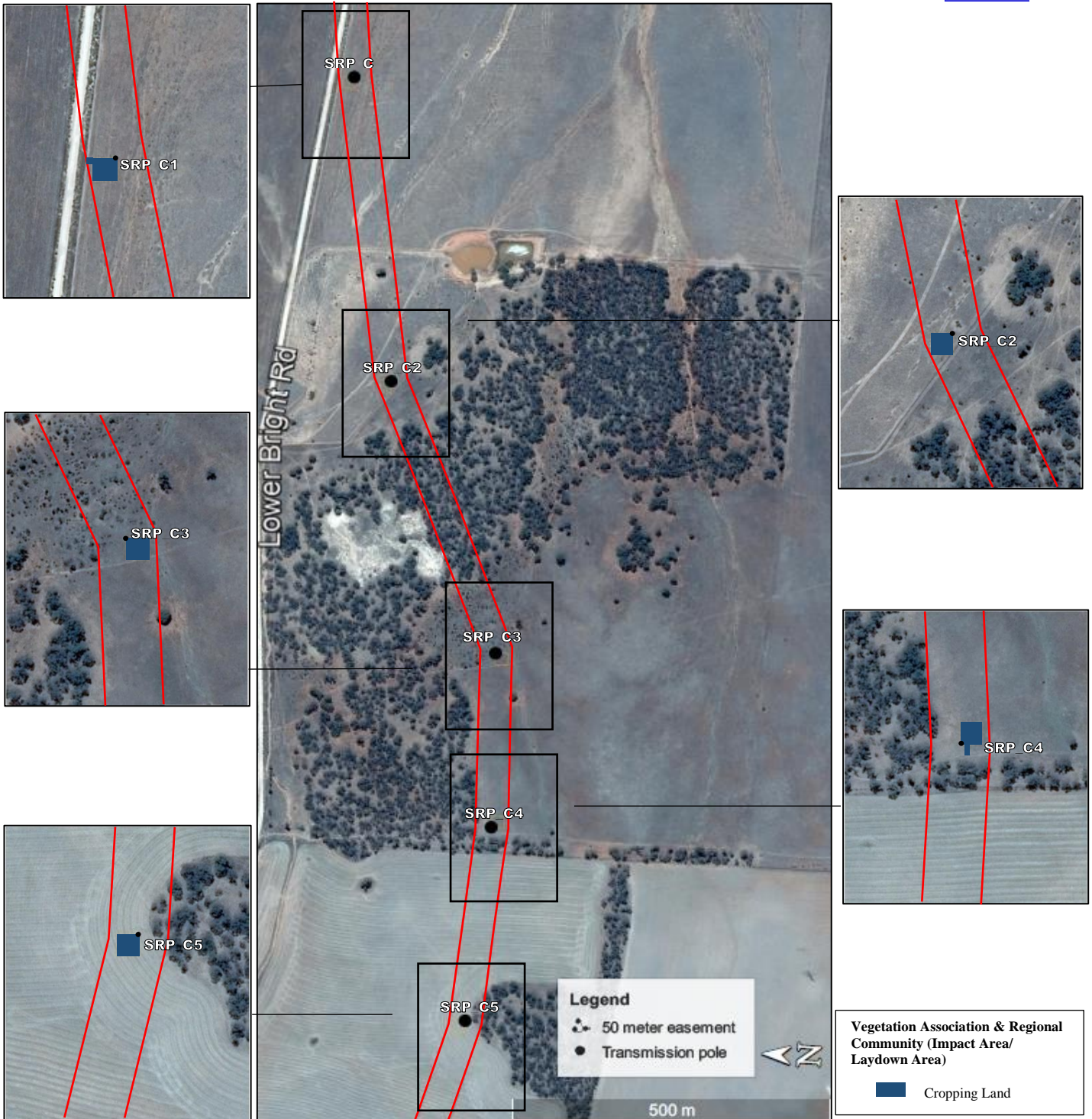
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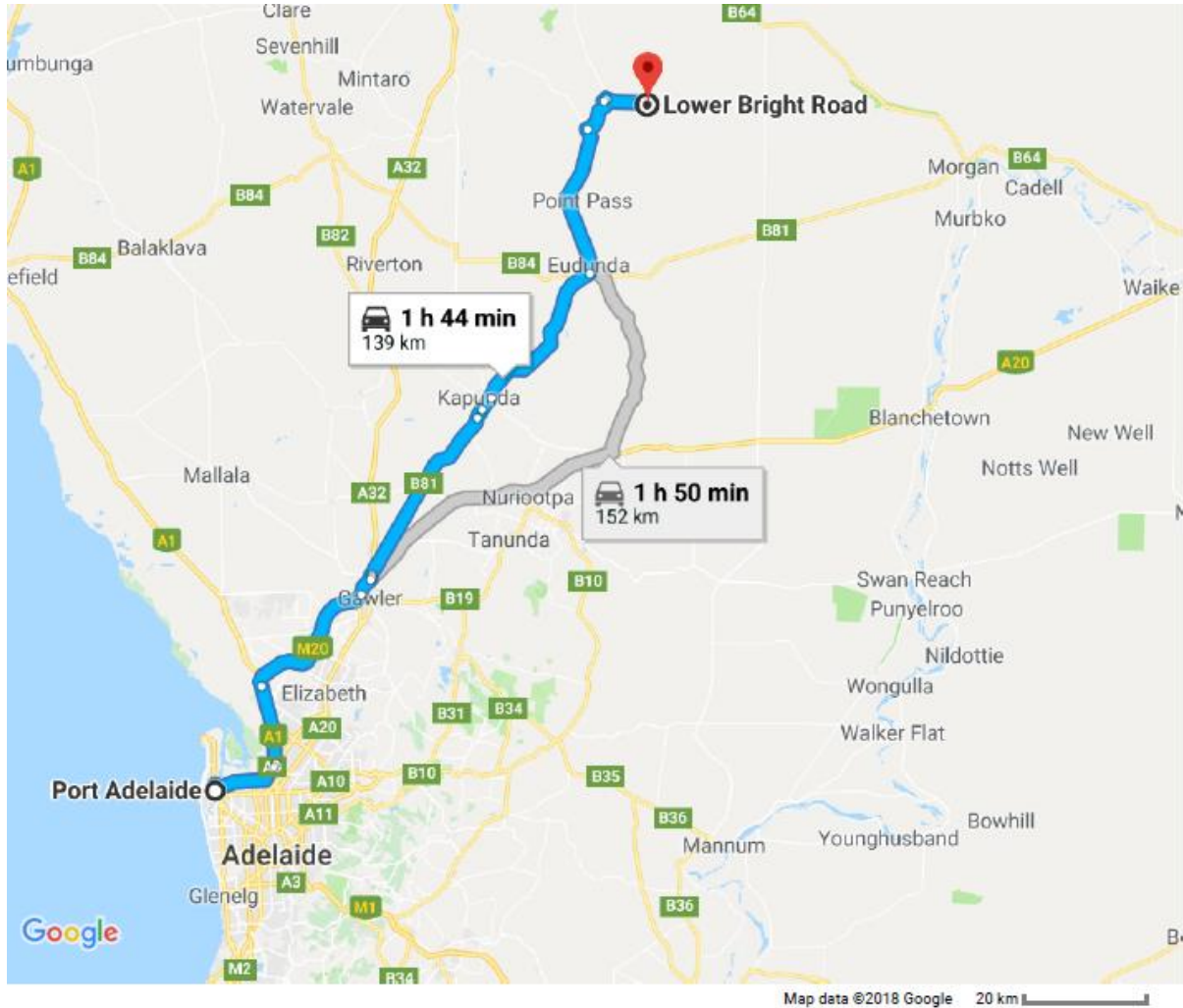
Appendix A







Appendix B



Port Adelaide
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Take Church Pl to Nelson St

- 1. Head north towards Quebec St 51 m (210 m)
- 2. Turn left onto Quebec St 34 m
- 3. Turn right onto Church Pl 18 m
- 4. Turn right onto Nelson St 160 m

Take A9, National Highway A1, Northern Expy/National Highway M20 and Thiele Hwy/B81 to Gunn St/Worlds End Hwy in Eudunda

- 5. Use any lane to turn slightly left onto Nelson St 700 m
- 6. Use the right 2 lanes to turn right onto Port River Expy/A9 9.9 km
Continue to follow A9
- 7. Use the left lane to take the National Hwy A1/Pt Wakefield Rd slip road to Pt Wakefield 500 m
- 8. Merge onto National Highway A1 11.4 km
- 9. Keep left to continue on Northern Expy/National Highway M20, follow signs for National Hwy M20/Gawler/Renmark 22.2 km
- 10. Continue onto National Highway A20 2.5 km
- 11. Use the left lane to take the Horrocks Hwy slip road to B82 400 m
- 12. Turn left onto Horrocks Hwy/Main N Rd/A32 450 m
- 13. Turn right onto Thiele Hwy/B81 27.7 km
- 14. Turn right onto East Terrace 1.6 km
- 15. Turn right to stay on East Terrace 2.1 km
- 16. Turn right onto Elizabeth St/Thiele Hwy/B81 24.7 km
Continue to follow Thiele Hwy/B81

Continue on Worlds End Hwy. Drive to Lower Bright Rd in Geranium Plains

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- 16. Turn left onto Gunn St/Worlds End Hwy 29 min (34.1 km)
[Continue to follow Worlds End Hwy](#)

 - 17. Turn right onto Commercial St/Worlds End Hwy 22.2 km
[Continue to follow Worlds End Hwy](#)

 - 18. Turn right onto Powerline Rd 5.2 km

 - 19. Turn right onto Lower Bright Rd 560 m

 - 62 km

Lower Bright Rd
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