

# The Block BESS

Application Number: **03189**

Commencement Date:  
**14/10/2025**

Status: **Locked**

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## 1. About the project

### 1.1 Project details

#### 1.1.1 Project title \*

The Block BESS

#### 1.1.2 Project industry type \*

Energy Generation and Supply (renewable)

#### 1.1.3 Project industry sub-type

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#### 1.1.4 Estimated start date \*

31/03/2027

#### 1.1.4 Estimated end date \*

31/03/2059

## 1.2 Proposed Action details

**1.2.1 Provide an overview of the proposed action, including all proposed activities. \***

The proposed action involves the construction and operation of a 200 MW Battery Energy Storage System (BESS). The development will be located on the fringe of the urban area south of Townsville, Queensland, on Lot 4 on RP891340 and located at 37-39 Carbine Court, Kelso.

The proposed development is designed to store and export electricity from the national grid, specifically from the adjacent Ross River Substation on Lot 1 on RP723119 (refer **Attachment 1 – Locality Context Plan**). The BESS will store excess electricity, including from nearby renewable projects to the south of the site, which will be available for export back to the grid during periods of peak energy demand. The BESS aims to improve the stability and reliability of the electricity network, including during emergencies.

The proposed BESS will be located on a 15.83 ha site which is currently used for a rural residential use, with a dwelling house and ancillary sheds established on the eastern half of the Lot. The proposed BESS will be located directly behind the dwelling, on the northwest section of the Lot, which is currently undeveloped, maintained (slashed/ mowed) land (refer **Attachment 2 – Proposal Plan**). The existing dwelling will remain on the freehold site, with the BESS operating under a lease agreement with the landowner.

The project disturbance area is calculated as 4.68 ha. The design, placement and alignment of the BESS was carefully considered by a multi-disciplinary team, including planners, flood engineers, acoustic engineers, ecologists, and the proponent over the course of 2025. The placement of the BESS balances proximity to the substation, natural hydrology, acoustic impacts, as well sparsity of vegetation and existing areas of environmental degradation. It is noted that the BESS design has undergone multiple refinements, including reduction in BESS size and capacity to reflect the parameters of the site. The proposed layout is relatively compact in arrangement and efficient in design and connection.

The proposed BESS will consist of the following components:

- 192 battery modules;
- 48 inverter transformers;
- a diesel generator;
- an operation and maintenance building;
- control and switch room;
- earthing/ Aux TX (auxiliary power);
- HV TX (high voltage transformer);
- harmonic filter space;
- 50,000 L fire water tanks;
- staff parking (4);
- a yard fence; and
- acoustic wall.

The proposed batteries will be arranged in a grid and be of a modular nature. The battery modules are largely self-contained, and can be transported to the site as a modular unit. Each battery is externally monitored and contains temperature regulation and fire suppression systems built in. An underground cable will connect the BESS to the nearby Ross River Substation (275/132 kV switchyard), which is directly adjoining Lot 4 on RP891340. BESS infrastructure will be placed and constructed on a raised development pad. The site will utilise the existing access arrangement from Carbine Court, with no changes to the existing road network outside of the site proposed.

The project activities will include:

- preparation and clearing of the project area, including clearing of vegetation within the disturbance area totalling 4.68 ha that is modified (cleared subcanopy) least concern vegetation;
- bulk earthworks for construction of the BESS and associated infrastructure;
- construction of a new internal access track;
- construction and installation of BESS components, including batteries;

- installation of an underground cable connecting the BESS to the adjacent substation;
- limited and infrequent in-person maintenance of the BESS in operation (external monitoring) and associated infrastructure, including inspection and control of vegetation growth within the project area; and
- future replacement of modular components or decommissioning.

**1.2.2 Is the project action part of a staged development or related to other actions or proposals in the region?**

No

**1.2.6 What Commonwealth or state legislation, planning frameworks or policy documents are relevant to the proposed action, and how are they relevant? \***

The proposed BESS is located in the local government area of Townsville City. The *Planning Act 2016* (the Act) provides the framework for Queensland's planning system and coordinates local, regional, and State planning. The Act allows for the establishment and is supported by subordinate planning legislation and instruments such as planning schemes. The provisions of the Act are therefore applicable to the proposed development.

The Act includes State and local planning instruments that set out policies for development assessment. The State and Local planning instruments relevant to the proposed BESS are:

- Local planning Instrument:
  - *Townsville City Plan 2014*.
- State planning instrument:
  - *Planning Regulation 2017*.

#### Local

Under the Act, development is either accepted, assessable or prohibited. Development may be categorised as assessable development under Schedule 10 of the Planning Regulation or by a local government through a planning scheme. If development is assessable development, it requires development approval under the Act. Under the *Townsville City Plan 2014*, a BESS is not a defined use, likely due to the emerging nature of the activity, and as such is defined as an Undefined Use and is subject to Impact Assessment, requiring statutory public notification.

The proposed action will seek approval for a Development Permit for a Material Change of Use – Undefined Use (Battery Energy Storage System (BESS)) (the proposed development) under the provisions of the *Planning Act 2016* (the Act). Supporting specialist consultant documents are being prepared to support the application, including **Attachment 3 – Ecological Assessment Report** prepared by Terra Solutions.

#### State

Under the *Planning Regulation 2017*, the site is identified as being within the following State Assessment Referral Agency (SARA) overlay: regulated vegetation management (category A and B extract). The proposal will require referral and assessment by SARA against State Code 16 – Native vegetation clearing as prescribed by and contain within the State Development Assessment Provisions.

#### Commonwealth

Under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act), an action must be referred to the Commonwealth Minister if it is anticipated to have a significant impact on Matters of National Environmental Significance. The proposed action is not considered likely to have a significant impact on Matters of National Environmental Significance based on the nature of the locality and ecological reporting prepared to support the proposal.

The proponent does however seek written confirmation from the Commonwealth Minister that the action is not likely to have a significant impact on Matters of National Environmental Significance, hence this application.

**1.2.7 Describe any public consultation that has been, is being or will be undertaken regarding the project area, including with Indigenous stakeholders. Attach any completed consultation documentations, if relevant. \***

The proposed development will require a period of statutory public notification under the Act (15 business days) which will be undertaken once the application is lodged with Townsville City Council.

Despite the above, a period of non-statutory public consultation was undertaken as a best practice development approach prior to statutory public notification. The non-statutory public consultation was undertaken from 12 May 2025 to 24 June 2025 and consisted of:

- Prelodgement meetings and discussion with Townsville City Council;
- Information Handout 1 – this handout (flyer) was delivered to 124 households in the proximity of the proposed BESS and that were identified as being notifiable;
- Information Handout 2 - this handout (flyer) was delivered to 124 households in the proximity of the proposed BESS and that were identified as being notifiable;
- a community information session – this information session was held in person at the Thuringowa RSL, which is located within 1 km of the subject site, and provided face to face engagement with the community.

A summary and further detail of the non-statutory consultation undertaken can be found in **Attachment 4 – Consultation Summary Report**.

## 1.3.1 Identity: Referring party

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### **1.3.1.1 Is Referring party an organisation or business? \***

Yes

Referring party organisation details

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**Organisation address** 283 Flinders Street, Townsville City 4810 QLD

Referring party details

**Name** George Milford  
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**Address**

### 1.3.2 Identity: Person proposing to take the action

**1.3.2.1 Are the Person proposing to take the action details the same as the Referring party details? \***

No

**1.3.2.2 Is Person proposing to take the action an organisation or business? \***

Yes

Person proposing to take the action organisation details

**ABN/ACN** 74661046331  
**Organisation name** SAMSUNG C&T RENEWABLE ENERGY AUSTRALIA PTY LTD  
**Organisation address** Suite 8.04, Level 8, 227 Elizabeth Street Sydney, NSW 2000

Person proposing to take the action details

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**1.3.2.14 Are you proposing the action as part of a Joint Venture? \***

No

**1.3.2.15 Are you proposing the action as part of a Trust? \***

No

**1.3.2.17 Describe the Person proposing the action's history of responsible environmental management including details of any proceedings under a Commonwealth, State or Territory law for the protection of the environment or the conservation and sustainable use of natural resources against the Person proposing to take the action. \***

Samsung C&T Corporation and its energy division, based in Korea, commenced renewable energy projects in 2007. Samsung C&T is a global leader in innovative technology and sustainability. Samsung C&T has successfully delivered similar renewable energy projects across Europe, Korea, Canada, and USA.

Samsung C&T has recently entered into the Australian renewable energy market as Samsung C&T Renewable Energy Australia Pty Ltd (SREA) and have been developing solar farm, BESS and other projects as a developer. In Queensland, there are two solar farm and/or BESS projects under development or under technical studies and at least five developments at various stages in New South Wales, and two in Victoria.

SREA has not been involved in any proceedings under a Commonwealth, State or Territory law for the protection of the environment or the conservation and sustainable use of natural resources.

**1.3.2.18 If the person proposing to take the action is a corporation, provide details of the corporation's environmental policy and planning framework**

Samsung C&T Renewable Energy Australia, a subsidiary of Samsung C&T Corporation (Korea), has recently expanded its operations into the Australian renewable energy market. The company is actively developing solar farms, battery energy storage systems (BESS), and other clean energy projects. This section outlines the environmental policy and planning framework guiding its operations in Australia, with reference to its global sustainability strategy which provides Samsung C&T's Sustainability Report 2024.

### **Environmental Policy**

Samsung C&T's environmental policy is embedded within its broader 2050 Net Zero Strategy, which aims to:

- Achieve 100% renewable energy usage by 2030;
- Reach net zero carbon emissions by 2050; and
- Strengthen its eco-friendly business portfolio, including solar, wind, and battery storage projects.

Key components of the policy include:

- Carbon Reduction R&D: Investment in low-carbon technologies such as cementless concrete and life cycle assessment (LCA) tools.
- Energy Efficiency: Upgrades to construction sites and facilities to reduce energy consumption.
- Stakeholder Engagement: Campaigns and training programs to promote climate awareness among employees, partners, and customers. Scope 3 Emissions Management: Systematic tracking and reduction of emissions across the supply chain.

### **Environmental Strategy and Framework (2015-2025)**

Samsung C&T's environmental strategy and framework as outlined in its 2024 sustainability report is summarised below.

2015-2017: Foundation Phase

- Established ESG management systems and board-level committees (Audit, Governance, Sustainability).
- Initiated ESG activities and began publishing sustainability reports.

2018-2020 – Strategic Direction & Goal Setting

- Developed 3 year roadmap to enhance governance.
- Continued ESG implementation and reporting.
- Became the first Korean construction company to declare Net Zero.

2021-2023: Board-Centric ESG Management

- Set and exceeded 3 year ESG goals and plans.
- Strengthened ESG risk monitoring systems.
- Announced commitment to carbon neutrality by 2050.

2023-2025: Continuous Improvement

- Focused on refining ESG systems and maintaining transparency through ongoing sustainability reporting.

## 1.3.3 Identity: Proposed designated proponent

### 1.3.3.1 Are the Proposed designated proponent details the same as the Person proposing to take the action? \*

Yes

#### Proposed designated proponent organisation details

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#### Proposed designated proponent details

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## 1.3.4 Identity: Summary of allocation

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## ✔ Confirmed Referring party's identity

The Referring party is the person preparing the information in this referral.

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## ✔ Confirmed Person proposing to take the action's identity

The Person proposing to take the action is the individual, business, government agency or trustee that will be responsible for the proposed action.

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## ✔ Confirmed Proposed designated proponent's identity

The Person proposing to take the action is the individual or organisation proposed to be responsible for meeting the requirements of the EPBC Act during the assessment process, if the Minister decides that this project is a controlled action.

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Same as Person proposing to take the action information.

## 1.4 Payment details: Payment exemption and fee waiver

**1.4.1 Do you qualify for an exemption from fees under EPBC Regulation 5.23 (1) (a)? \***

No

**1.4.3 Have you applied for or been granted a waiver for full or partial fees under Regulation 5.21A? \***

No

**1.4.5 Are you going to apply for a waiver of full or partial fees under EPBC Regulation 5.21A?**

No

**1.4.7 Has the department issued you with a credit note? \***

No

**1.4.9 Would you like to add a purchase order number to your invoice? \***

No

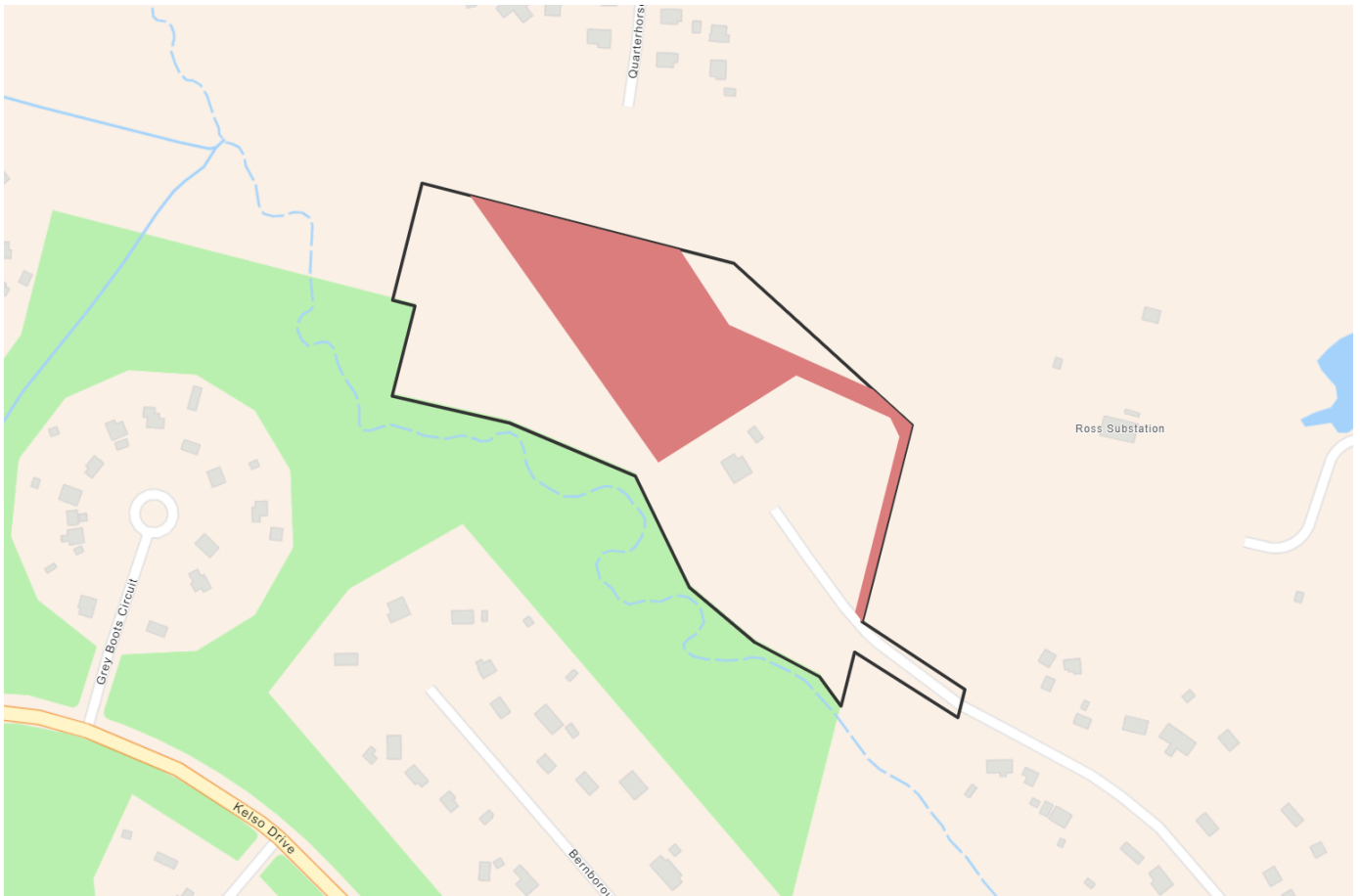
## 1.4 Payment details: Payment allocation

**1.4.11 Who would you like to allocate as the entity responsible for payment? \***

Person proposing to take the action

## 2. Location

## 2.1 Project footprint



**Project Area: 15.88 Ha Disturbance Footprint: 4.69 Ha**

## 2.2 Footprint details

### 2.2.1 What is the address of the proposed action? \*

The proposed BESS will be located on Lot 4 on RP891340 and located at 37-39 Carbine Court,

### 2.2.2 Where is the primary jurisdiction of the proposed action? \*

Queensland

### 2.2.3 Is there a secondary jurisdiction for this proposed action? \*

No

### 2.2.5 What is the tenure of the action area relevant to the project area? \*

The proposed action is located on freehold land, with the BESS operating on a lease arrangement with the landowner (resident). High voltage transmission lines run across a narrow section of the site, being the eastern end (driveway), which contains an easement.

## 3. Existing environment

## 3.1 Physical description

### 3.1.1 Describe the current condition of the project area's environment.

The project site is located at 37-39 Carbine Court, Kelso and on Lot 4 on RP891340. Under the *Townsville City Plan 2014*, the site is considered as non-urban land, being adjacent to urban land and is approximately 19 km from the Townsville city centre.

#### Zoning

The site is designated within the Rural Residential Zone and adjoins both the Community Facilities Zone (substation site) and the Recreation and Open Space Zone (electricity easements and unnamed creek). Whilst there are surrounding areas of Rural Residential Zone, the site does not directly adjoin any areas of this zone and is effectively isolated and substantially setback from dwellings.

#### Disturbance

The project disturbance footprint is approximately 4.68 ha on the western half of the lot (refer **Attachment 1 – Locality Context Plan**). It is noted that according to historical imagery clearing has occurred on site, specifically:

- Clearing of the shrub and ground layer of the lot took place between 2003 and 2009. The Lot has since been maintained (slashing/mowing) with the tree layer being largely retained.
- Between 2012 and 2013, tracks were formed and minor earthworks were completed in the centre of the western portion of the lot to form recreational infrastructure associated with the residential use of the property.

The long-term use of the site for residential purposes has seen the site largely maintained by way of slashing and mowing. The site is heavily modified and is relatively sparse in terms of vegetation. The extent of remnant vegetation is low and constrained to the canopy. Aerial imagery clearly delineates the subject site from surrounding land, including areas of thicker vegetation to the south of the site which contains a waterway.

#### Surrounding Area

The subject site adjoins an electricity easement to the north and east, as well as the Ross River Substation. A watercourse runs nearby (south) of the subject site. Further afield, there are various operational and planned renewable energy developments located proximate to the proposal.

#### Access

The proposed development will utilise the existing access point to the site, being from Carbine Court. A new internal access driveway will connect the existing driveway to the proposed BESS, and avoid the dwelling house (refer **Attachment 2 – Proposal Plan**).

### 3.1.2 Describe any existing or proposed uses for the project area.

**Existing use**

The site currently contains a dwelling house and ancillary storage sheds, access and manoeuvring areas. The site is exclusively of a residential use, with much of the site, whilst undeveloped, regularly maintained by slashing/mowing.

**Proposed use**

The proposed development would see BESS established directly northwest (behind) the existing dwelling house. The existing dwelling will be sufficiently separated from the proposed BESS, including by an acoustic wall, and will continue to be inhabited. Both the dwelling house and the BESS will share a portion of driveway, which will be the only shared component between the two uses.

**3.1.3 Describe any outstanding natural features and/or any other important or unique values that applies to the project area.**

The subject site is flat topographically and does not contain any outstanding or unique natural features. It is noted that an unnamed ephemeral tributary is located south of the subject site on Lot 6 on RP800999. The project area is not in proximity to any World or National Heritage Place, or Ramsar site.

**3.1.4 Describe the gradient (or depth range if action is to be taken in a marine area) relevant to the project area.**

The subject site, being Lot 4 on RP891340 is topographically flat, with elevation varying generally between 26-27 m AHD over a distance of approximately 600 m.

## 3.2 Flora and fauna

**3.2.1 Describe the flora and fauna within the affected area and attach any investigations of surveys if applicable.**

A detailed ecology report was prepared by Terra Solutions in 2025 (refer **Attachment 3 – Ecological Assessment Report**). The objective of the assessment was to identify the presence of, and impact to, ecological values on the site, including threatened species and ecological communities listed as MNES under the EPBC Act. The assessment consisted of:

- a desktop assessment of background information and legislative policy and documents;
- a field assessment to verify the presence and extent of mapped vegetation communities, potential habitats;
- preparation of an ecological reporting detailing methods, results, impacts and recommendations.

It is noted that the subject site was selected in part due to the clearly modified and degraded nature of the site, as well as the proximity to existing major electrical infrastructure such as the adjoining substation and high voltage transmission lines, all of which are cleared.

## **Flora**

The field survey verified the presence of the following vegetation communities as:

- 11.3.30 - Eucalyptus crebra, Corymbia dallachiana woodland on alluvial plains; and
- 11.3.35 – Eucalyptus platphylla, Corymbia clarksoniana woodland on alluvial plains.

## Threatened Ecological Communities

The field assessment and likelihood of occurrence assessment indicated that no conservation significant flora species or threatened species are likely to occur.

## Biosecurity

The following exotic flora species were detected during the field survey:

- Cryptostegia grandiflora (rubber vine);
- Chromolaena odorata (Siam weed);
- Ziziphus mauritiana (Chinese apple); and
- Sporobolus sp. (rat's tail grass).

## **Fauna**

Following the desktop review, the field survey was undertaken to verify fauna habitat suitability, as well as opportunistic and targeted searches.

A total of 101 native fauna species were recorded during surveys, including two amphibians, 76 birds, 16 mammals (13 microbats, one dasyurid and two macropods), and seven reptiles.

## Habitat Assessment

The likelihood of occurrence for conservation significant fauna includes:

- Squatter Pigeon – confirmed;
- White-throated needletail – likely (flyover);
- Black-throated finch (southern) – possible;
- Greater large-eared horseshoe bat – possible;
- Bare-rumped sheath-tail bat – possible;
- Short-beaked echidna – likely;
- Koala – unlikely; and
- Common death adder – unlikely.

## Significant Impact Assessment

The following MNES were subject to significant impact assessments and can be found in **Attachment 3 – Ecological Assessment Report**:

#### Bare-rumped sheathtail bat

It is noted that the action is **unlikely** to:

- Lead to a long-term decrease in the size of the species population – no species call were detected and there is no evidence of a resident population;
- Fragment the existing population – the species is highly mobile and aerial;
- Disrupt the breeding cycle of the population – no evidence of a resident population;
- Result in the replacement of invasive species – severe consequences from invasive species have not been demonstrated;
- Introduce disease that may cause species decline – no diseases are known to pose a significant threat to this species.

#### Black-throated finch

It is noted that the action is **unlikely** to:

- Fragment the existing population – the watercourse and associated vegetation on the southern side of the project are would sustain the existing connectivity in the area;
- Result in replacement by an invasive species – the site is subject to existing anthropogenic disturbance and construction of the project would be unlikely to result in the establishment of n invasive animal that harmful to the species. As a developed, rural residential area, domesticated and feral cats are likely already established;
- Introduce disease that may cause population to decline – no diseases are known to pose a significant threat to this species.

#### Greater large-eared horseshoe bat

It is noted that the action is **unlikely** to:

- Lead to a long term decrease in the size of the population – no species call were detected and there is no current evidence of a resident population;
- Fragment the existing population – the watercourse and associated vegetation on the southern side of the project are would sustain the existing connectivity in the area. As a flying animal it is also possible for the species to fly over the project site;
- Adversely affect habitat critical to the survival of the species – the habitat proposed to be removed is sparsely treed open woodland subject to substantial modification of the subcanopy for a period of over 10 years. As the species has preference for thicker vegetation and creek lines, it is likely to favour the nearby riparian corridor outside of the project area;
- Disrupt breeding cycles – No species calls were detected and there is no current evidence of a resident population;
- Modify, destroy, remove, isolate or destroy availability or quality of habitat to the extent that the species is likely to decline;
- Result in replacement by an invasive species – the site is subject to existing anthropogenic disturbance and construction of the project would be unlikely to result in the establishment of an invasive animal that harmful to the species. As a developed, rural residential area, domesticated and feral cats are likely already established;
- Introduce disease that may cause population to decline – no diseases are known to pose a significant threat to this species; and
- Interfere substantially with the recovery of the species – the project area is unlikely to be a suitable roosting habitat and has already been subject to substantial disturbance and modification. The project area is likely to offer only marginal suitability as foraging habitat and more favourable habitat

occurs nearby outside of the project area. There is no evidence an important subpopulation or ecologically significant location occurs at the site.

### Squatter Pigeon

It is noted that the action is **unlikely** to:

- Lead to a long term decrease in the size of the population – the project area does not impact breeding habitat. Suitable foraging habitat is abundant in the surrounding landscape beyond the immediate rural residential area;
- Fragment the existing population – the species utilises disturbed and modified habitats such as dirt roads and cleared paddocks, and is capable of flight;
- Adversely affect habitat critical to the survival of the species;
- Disrupt breeding cycles;
- Modify, destroy, remove, isolate or destroy availability or quality of habitat to the extent that the species is likely to decline;
- Result in replacement by an invasive species - the site is subject to existing anthropogenic disturbance and construction of the project would be unlikely to result in the establishment of an invasive animal that harmful to the species. As a developed, rural residential area, domesticated and feral cats are likely already established;
- Introduce disease that may cause population to decline – no diseases are known to pose a significant threat to this species; and
- Interfere substantially with the recovery of the species – the action will not interfere with breeding habitat, and squatter pigeons were predominately observed utilises foraging habitat outside of the project area, it is unlikely the project will impact an area supporting an important population or ecologically significant location.

It is noted that the squatter pigeon was the only conservation significant fauna species detected, which is vulnerable under the EPBC Act.

### Essential habitat and Wildlife Habitat

Areas on the eastern portion of the site, which is largely outside of the project area, is mapped as containing:

- Essential Habitat – black-throated finch (southern); and
- Wildlife Habitat (special least concern animal) – Latham's Snipe and Eastern Osprey.

## **3.2.2 Describe the vegetation (including the status of native vegetation and soil) within the project area.**

The subject site is located within areas of rural residential and electricity infrastructure. The site is effectively isolated between the adjacent Ross River Substation and high voltage electricity easements. The Ecology report prepared by Terra Solutions (refer **Attachment 3 – Ecological Assessment Report**) describes the field verified vegetation communities as:

- 11.3.30 - Eucalyptus crebra, Corymbia dallachiana woodland on alluvial plains; and
- 11.3.35 – Eucalyptus platphylla, Corymbia clarksoniana woodland on alluvial plains.

Both the above Regional Ecosystems has a Vegetation Management status of Least Concern. Whilst the canopy is remnant status the sub-canopy has been subject to significant historical modification.

The indicative project footprint identified by Terra Solutions within their Ecology Report (now reduced to reflect progress in project design) contains an area of:

- MSES regulated vegetation (essential habitat) (black-throated finch (southern));
- MSES wildlife habitat (endangered or vulnerable) (black-throated finch (southern); and
- MSES wildlife habitat (special least concern animal) (Eastern Osprey and Latham’s Snipe).

## 3.3 Heritage

### 3.3.1 Describe any Commonwealth Heritage Places Overseas or other places recognised as having heritage values that apply to the project area.

There are no Commonwealth heritage places within or near the site. Likewise, the site is not within or near any RAMSAR areas.

### 3.3.2 Describe any Indigenous heritage values that apply to the project area.

The project is within the cultural heritage area for Gurambilbarra Wulgurukaba People. Given the disturbed nature of the site, as well as its residential use and historic freehold tenure, the site is not anticipated to contain any cultural heritage values. It is noted that the site is not a Designated Landscape Area on the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Register.

## 3.4 Hydrology

### 3.4.1 Describe the hydrology characteristics that apply to the project area and attach any hydrological investigations or surveys if applicable. \*

The site is topographically flat, with contour showing the site sits at 26-27 m AHD along the length of the site. The 1 m change in level occurs over a 600 m area, with the overland flow draining from the southeast to the northwest. It is noted that an unnamed tributary flows southeast to northwest immediately proximate to the southern boundary of the site. It is classified as a non-perennial system and the ephemeral nature of the tributary has been confirmed during various site visits.

## 4. Impacts and mitigation

## 4.1 Impact details

**Potential Matters of National Environmental Significance (MNES) relevant to your proposed action area.**

<b>EPBC Act section</b>	<b>Controlling provision</b>	<b>Impacted</b>	<b>Reviewed</b>
S12	World Heritage	No	Yes
S15B	National Heritage	No	Yes
S16	Ramsar Wetland	No	Yes
S18	Threatened Species and Ecological Communities	No	Yes
S20	Migratory Species	No	Yes
S21	Nuclear	No	Yes
S23	Commonwealth Marine Area	No	Yes
S24B	Great Barrier Reef	No	Yes
S24D	Water resource in relation to large coal mining development or coal seam gas	No	Yes
S26	Commonwealth Land	No	Yes
S27B	Commonwealth Heritage Places Overseas	No	Yes
S28	Commonwealth or Commonwealth Agency	No	Yes

### 4.1.1 World Heritage

You have identified your proposed action will likely directly and/or indirectly impact the following protected matters.

A direct impact is a direct consequence of an action taken – for example, clearing of habitat for a threatened species or permanent shading on an ecological community as the result of installing solar panels.

An indirect impact is an 'indirect consequence' such as a downstream impact or a facilitated third-party action.

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#### 4.1.1.1 Is the proposed action likely to have any direct and/or indirect impact on any of these protected matters? \*

No

#### 4.1.1.3 Briefly describe why your action is unlikely to have a direct and/or indirect impact.

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There are no world heritage properties within or near the site. The Great Barrier Reef World Heritage Area is located approximately 20 km to the northeast of the site. The proposed development will not result in impacts beyond the project area, given its lack of emissions, and therefore will not have any direct or indirect impact to any World Heritage Area.

### 4.1.2 National Heritage

You have identified your proposed action will likely directly and/or indirectly impact the following protected matters.

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An indirect impact is an 'indirect consequence' such as a downstream impact or a facilitated third-party action.

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#### 4.1.2.1 Is the proposed action likely to have any direct and/or indirect impact on any of these protected matters? \*

No

#### 4.1.2.3 Briefly describe why your action is unlikely to have a direct and/or indirect impact.

\*

There are no National Heritage properties within or near the site. The Great Barrier Reef national heritage area is located approximately 20 km to the northeast of the site. The proposed development will not result in impacts outside of the site, including National Heritage, given the use does not produce emissions and is contained within a defined project area.

### 4.1.3 Ramsar Wetland

You have identified your proposed action will likely directly and/or indirectly impact the following protected matters.

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**4.1.3.1 Is the proposed action likely to have any direct and/or indirect impact on any of these protected matters? \***

No

**4.1.3.3 Briefly describe why your action is unlikely to have a direct and/or indirect impact.**

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The project area does not contain any Ramsar Wetland, and is not in proximity to any Ramsar Wetland. The nearest Ramsar site is approximately 24 km to the north east, being Bowling Green Bay. The proposed development is unlikely to have any direct or indirect impact to the Ramsar site, given the development does not produce emissions, and is fully contained within the project area, and is located at a considerable distance away.

**4.1.4 Threatened Species and Ecological Communities**

You have identified your proposed action will likely directly and/or indirectly impact the following protected matters.

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### Threatened species

Direct impact	Indirect impact	Species	Common name
Yes		<i>Calidris acuminata</i>	Sharp-tailed Sandpiper
Yes		<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	Curlew Sandpiper
Yes		<i>Charadrius leschenaultii</i>	Greater Sand Plover, Large Sand Plover
Yes		<i>Dasyurus hallucatus</i>	Northern Quoll, Digul [Gogo-Yimidir], Wijingadda [Dambimangari], Wiminji [Martu]
Yes		<i>Dichanthium setosum</i>	bluegrass
Yes		<i>Egernia rugosa</i>	Yakka Skink
Yes		<i>Eelseya irwini</i>	Irwin's Turtle, White-headed Snapping Turtle
Yes		<i>Erythrotriorchis radiatus</i>	Red Goshawk
Yes		<i>Falco hypoleucos</i>	Grey Falcon
Yes		<i>Gallinago hardwickii</i>	Latham's Snipe, Japanese Snipe
Yes		<i>Geophaps scripta scripta</i>	Squatter Pigeon (southern)
Yes		<i>Hirundapus caudacutus</i>	White-throated Needletail
Yes		<i>Leichhardtia araujacea</i>	
Yes		<i>Leichhardtia brevifolia</i>	
Yes		<i>Macroderma gigas</i>	Ghost Bat
Yes		<i>Neochmia ruficauda ruficauda</i>	Star Finch (eastern), Star Finch (southern)
Yes		<i>Numenius madagascariensis</i>	Eastern Curlew, Far Eastern Curlew
Yes		<i>Petauroides minor</i>	Greater Glider (northern), Greater Glider (north-eastern Queensland)
Yes		<i>Petauroides volans</i>	Greater Glider (southern and central)

Direct impact	Indirect impact	Species	Common name
Yes		Phascolarctos cinereus (combined populations of Qld, NSW and the ACT)	Koala (combined populations of Queensland, New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory)
Yes		Pteropus conspicillatus	Spectacled Flying-fox
Yes		Rostratula australis	Australian Painted Snipe
Yes		Saccolaimus saccolaimus nudicluniatus	Bare-rumped Sheath-tailed Bat, Bare-rumped Sheath-tail Bat
Yes		Tephrosia leveillei	
Yes		Tyto novaehollandiae kimberli	Masked Owl (northern)
Yes		Varanus mertensi	Mertens' Water Monitor
Yes		Xeromys myoides	Water Mouse, False Water Rat, Yirrkoo

## Ecological communities

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**4.1.4.1 Is the proposed action likely to have any direct and/or indirect impact on any of these protected matters? \***

No

**4.1.4.3 Briefly describe why your action is unlikely to have a direct and/or indirect impact.**

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## Significant Impact Assessment

The following species were subject to significant impact assessments and can be found in **Attachment 3 – Ecological Assessment Report**:

### Bare-rumped sheathtail bat

It is noted that the action is **unlikely** to:

- Lead to a long-term decrease in the size of the species population – no species call were detected and there is no evidence of a resident population;
- Fragment the existing population – the species is highly mobile and aerial;
- Disrupt the breeding cycle of the population – no evidence of a resident population;
- Result in the replacement of invasive species – severe consequences from invasive species have not been demonstrated;
- Introduce disease that may cause species decline – no diseases are known to pose a significant threat to this species.

### Black-throated finch

It is noted that the action is **unlikely** to:

- Fragment the existing population – the watercourse and associated vegetation on the southern side of the project are would sustain the existing connectivity in the area;
- Result in replacement by an invasive species – the site is subject to existing anthropogenic disturbance and construction of the project would be unlikely to result in the establishment of n invasive animal that harmful to the species. As a developed, rural residential area, domesticated and feral cats are likely already established;
- Introduce disease that may cause population to decline – no diseases are known to pose a significant threat to this species.

### Greater large-eared horseshoe bat

It is noted that the action is **unlikely** to:

- Lead to a long term decrease in the size of the population – no species call were detected and there is no current evidence of a resident population;
- Fragment the existing population – the watercourse and associated vegetation on the southern side of the project are would sustain the existing connectivity in the area. As a flying animal it is also possible for the species to fly over the project site;
- Adversely affect habitat critical to the survival of the species – the habitat proposed to be removed is sparsely treed open woodland subject to substantial modification of the subcanopy for a period of over 10 years. As the species has preference for thicker vegetation and creek lines, it is likely to favour the nearby riparian corridor outside of the project area;
- Disrupt breeding cycles – No species calls were detected and there is no current evidence of a resident population;
- Modify, destroy, remove, isolate or destroy availability or quality of habitat to the extent that the species is likely to decline;
- Result in replacement by an invasive species – the site is subject to existing anthropogenic disturbance and construction of the project would be unlikely to result in the establishment of an invasive animal that harmful to the species. As a developed, rural residential area, domesticated and feral cats are likely already established;
- Introduce disease that may cause population to decline – no diseases are known to pose a significant threat to this species; and
- Interfere substantially with the recovery of the species – the project area is unlikely to be a suitable roosting habitat and has already been subject to substantial disturbance and modification. The

project area is likely to offer only marginal suitability as foraging habitat and more favourable habitat occurs nearby outside of the project area. There is no evidence an important subpopulation or ecologically significant location occurs at the site.

#### Squatter Pigeon

It is noted that the action is **unlikely** to:

- Lead to a long term decrease in the size of the population – the project area does not impact breeding habitat. Suitable foraging habitat is abundant in the surrounding landscape beyond the immediate rural residential area;
- Fragment the existing population – the species utilises disturbed and modified habitats such as dirt roads and cleared paddocks, and is capable of flight;
- Adversely affect habitat critical to the survival of the species;
- Disrupt breeding cycles;
- Modify, destroy, remove, isolate or destroy availability or quality of habitat to the extent that the species is likely to decline;
- Result in replacement by an invasive species - the site is subject to existing anthropogenic disturbance and construction of the project would be unlikely to result in the establishment of an invasive animal that harmful to the species. As a developed, rural residential area, domesticated and feral cats are likely already established;
- Introduce disease that may cause population to decline – no diseases are known to pose a significant threat to this species; and
- Interfere substantially with the recovery of the species – the action will not interfere with breeding habitat, and squatter pigeons were predominately observed utilises foraging habitat outside of the project area, it is unlikely the project will impact an area supporting an important population or ecologically significant location.

It is noted that the squatter pigeon was the only conservation significant fauna species detected, which is vulnerable under the EPBC Act.

### **4.1.5 Migratory Species**

You have identified your proposed action will likely directly and/or indirectly impact the following protected matters.

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<b>Direct impact</b>	<b>Indirect impact</b>	<b>Species</b>	<b>Common name</b>
Yes		<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	Common Sandpiper
Yes		<i>Apus pacificus</i>	Fork-tailed Swift
Yes		<i>Calidris acuminata</i>	Sharp-tailed Sandpiper
Yes		<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	Curlew Sandpiper
Yes		<i>Calidris melanotos</i>	Pectoral Sandpiper
Yes		<i>Charadrius leschenaultii</i>	Greater Sand Plover, Large Sand Plover
Yes		<i>Crocodylus porosus</i>	Salt-water Crocodile, Estuarine Crocodile
Yes		<i>Cuculus optatus</i>	Oriental Cuckoo, Horsfield's Cuckoo
Yes		<i>Gallinago hardwickii</i>	Latham's Snipe, Japanese Snipe
Yes		<i>Hirundapus caudacutus</i>	White-throated Needletail
Yes		<i>Motacilla flava</i>	Yellow Wagtail
Yes		<i>Numenius madagascariensis</i>	Eastern Curlew, Far Eastern Curlew
Yes		<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	Osprey

**4.1.5.1 Is the proposed action likely to have any direct and/or indirect impact on any of these protected matters? \***

No

**4.1.5.3 Briefly describe why your action is unlikely to have a direct and/or indirect impact.**

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According to the Ecology Report prepared by Terra Solutions, there are 7 migratory species considered likely to occur or may possibly occur (refer **Attachment 3 – Ecological Assessment Report**). It is noted that species typically occur in the broad surrounds and may occur as flyovers over the assessment area when travelling to nearby habitats, such as the Ross Dam. It is noted that no habitat values for listed migratory species occur in the assessment area.

Whilst the proposed action will result in the clearing of vegetation within the project area, the project area does not host suitable habitat or would be extremely infrequent in visitation.

## **4.1.6 Nuclear**

### **4.1.6.1 Is the proposed action likely to have any direct and/or indirect impact on this protected matter? \***

No

### **4.1.6.3 Briefly describe why your action is unlikely to have a direct and/or indirect impact.**

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The subject site does not contain or propose any nuclear actions, and is not within proximity to any nuclear actions.

## **4.1.7 Commonwealth Marine Area**

You have identified your proposed action will likely directly and/or indirectly impact the following protected matters.

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### **4.1.7.1 Is the proposed action likely to have any direct and/or indirect impact on any of these protected matters? \***

No

### **4.1.7.3 Briefly describe why your action is unlikely to have a direct and/or indirect impact.**

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The closest Commonwealth Marine Park to the subject site is the Coral Sea Marine Park, which is located off the Queensland Coast. The proposed development is unlikely to have any direct or indirect impacts to the marine park, given the BESS is self-contained within the project area, does not produce emissions, and is located at a substantial distance.

## **4.1.8 Great Barrier Reef**

**4.1.8.1 Is the proposed action likely to have any direct and/or indirect impact on this protected matter? \***

No

**4.1.8.3 Briefly describe why your action is unlikely to have a direct and/or indirect impact.**

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The Great Barrier Reef Marine Park is located off the Queensland Coast, and is approximately 20 km from the subject site. The proposed action is unlikely to have any direct or indirect impacts to the park, given the BESS is self-contained within the project area and does not produce any emissions.

**4.1.9 Water resource in relation to large coal mining development or coal seam gas**

**4.1.9.1 Is the proposed action likely to have any direct and/or indirect impact on this protected matter? \***

No

**4.1.9.3 Briefly describe why your action is unlikely to have a direct and/or indirect impact.**

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The proposed development does not involve a coal mine or coal seam gas project.

**4.1.10 Commonwealth Land**

You have identified your proposed action will likely directly and/or indirectly impact the following protected matters.

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**4.1.10.1 Is the proposed action likely to have any direct and/or indirect impact on any of these protected matters? \***

No

**4.1.10.3 Briefly describe why your action is unlikely to have a direct and/or indirect impact.**

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The proposed development is not located on or near Commonwealth Land.

**4.1.11 Commonwealth Heritage Places Overseas**

You have identified your proposed action will likely directly and/or indirectly impact the following protected matters.

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An indirect impact is an 'indirect consequence' such as a downstream impact or a facilitated third-party action.

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**4.1.11.1 Is the proposed action likely to have any direct and/or indirect impact on any of these protected matters? \***

No

**4.1.11.3 Briefly describe why your action is unlikely to have a direct and/or indirect impact.**

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The proposed development is not located on or near Commonwealth Heritage Places Overseas.

**4.1.12 Commonwealth or Commonwealth Agency**

#### 4.1.12.1 Is the proposed action to be taken by the Commonwealth or a Commonwealth Agency? \*

No

## 4.2 Impact summary

### Conclusion on the likelihood of significant impacts

You have indicated that the proposed action will likely have a significant impact on the following Matters of National Environmental Significance:

*None*

### Conclusion on the likelihood of unlikely significant impacts

You have indicated that the proposed action will unlikely have a significant impact on the following Matters of National Environmental Significance:

- World Heritage (S12)
- National Heritage (S15B)
- Ramsar Wetland (S16)
- Threatened Species and Ecological Communities (S18)
- Migratory Species (S20)
- Nuclear (S21)
- Commonwealth Marine Area (S23)
- Great Barrier Reef (S24B)
- Water resource in relation to large coal mining development or coal seam gas (S24D)
- Commonwealth Land (S26)
- Commonwealth Heritage Places Overseas (S27B)
- Commonwealth or Commonwealth Agency (S28)

## 4.3 Alternatives

### 4.3.1 Do you have any possible alternatives for your proposed action to be considered as part of your referral? \*

No

### 4.3.8 Describe why alternatives for your proposed action were not possible. \*

An alternative location for the proposed BESS was not considered possible due to the unique and suitable characteristics of the site which are conducive to the successful operation of the proposed development.

#### Grid Access

The subject site is located directly adjacent to the Ross River Substation on Lot 1 on RP723119. The provision of a suitably sized and buffered site in direct proximity to the substation provides efficiencies for the proposed BESS. In particular, the development will feature an underground cable which connects to the substation and provides a short and direct system of energy transfer which will minimise energy loss.

In addition, the size of the BESS will contribute firming and stability of the power system in North Queensland by provided frequency control merit. Since the Ross River Substation is located within a rural residential area, the proposed site is the only available site of sufficient size to make direct connection to the Ross River Substation.

#### Setback

It is noted that two electricity easements run along the north frontage and eastern frontage of the site, connecting to the Ross River Substation. These easements are each approximately 120 m wide, and contain high voltage electricity lines. This provides the proposed development a unique setback from surrounding rural residential land use, and is a consistent with the level of infrastructure which already exists in the area. The location of the BESS at the nexus of major electrical infrastructure is ideal and does not raise the intensity of the use. It is noted that the existing electricity easements and the substation site, are cleared of vegetation and result in a highly fragmented vegetation area.

#### Surrounding Uses

It is noted that the proposed BESS is located nearby to renewable projects, such as the Ross River Solar Farm, which covers an area of approximately 200 ha. The proximity of the BESS to the solar farm is expected to allows the BESS to successfully store power produced by solar, for use during peak demand, including at night.

#### Condition of Vegetation.

The subject site is highly disturbed, as noted within **Attachment 3 – Ecological Assessment Report**, and has a cleared sub-canopy. The site is currently utilised for a residential purpose and is maintained as such, with the site regularly slashed/mowed.

Given the above, no suitable alternative location exists which offers an equal level of efficiency, or co-location of electrical infrastructure. The proposed BESS is appropriately located on the subject site.

# 5. Lodgement

## 5.1 Attachments

### 1.2.1 Overview of the proposed action

	<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Sensitivity</b>	<b>Confidence</b>
#1.	Document	Attachment_1- Locality_Context_Plan.pdf Locality Context Plan	01/10/2025	No	High
#2.	Document	Attachment_2-Proposal_Plan.pdf Proposal Plan	14/10/2025	No	High

### 1.2.6 Commonwealth or state legislation, planning frameworks or policy documents that are relevant to the proposed action

	<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Sensitivity</b>	<b>Confidence</b>
#1.	Document	Attachment_3- Ecological_Assessment_Report.pdf Ecological Assessment Report	17/09/2025	No	High

### 1.2.7 Public consultation regarding the project area

	<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Sensitivity</b>	<b>Confidence</b>
#1.	Document	Attachment_4- Consultation_Summary_Report.pdf Consultation Summary Report	08/07/2025	Yes	High

### 3.1.1 Current condition of the project area's environment

	<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Sensitivity</b>	<b>Confidence</b>
#1.	Document	Attachment_1- Locality_Context_Plan.pdf Locality Context Plan	01/10/2025	No	High
#2.	Document	Attachment_2-Proposal_Plan.pdf Proposal Plan	13/10/2025	No	High

### 3.2.1 Flora and fauna within the affected area

	<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Sensitivity</b>	<b>Confidence</b>
#1.	Document	Attachment_3- Ecological_Assessment_Report.pdf Ecological Assessment Report	17/09/2025	No	High

### 3.2.2 Vegetation within the project area

	<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Sensitivity</b>	<b>Confidence</b>
#1.	Document	Attachment_3- Ecological_Assessment_Report.pdf Ecological Assessment Report	17/09/2025	No	High

4.1.4.3 (Threatened Species and Ecological Communities) Why your action is unlikely to have a direct and/or indirect impact

	<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Sensitivity</b>	<b>Confidence</b>
#1.	Document	Attachment_3- Ecological_Assessment_Report.pdf Ecological Assessment Report	17/09/2025	No	High

4.1.5.3 (Migratory Species) Why your action is unlikely to have a direct and/or indirect impact

	<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Sensitivity</b>	<b>Confidence</b>
#1.	Document	Attachment_3- Ecological_Assessment_Report.pdf Ecological Assessment Report	17/09/2025	No	High

4.3.8 Why alternatives for your proposed action were not possible

	<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Sensitivity</b>	<b>Confidence</b>
#1.	Document	Attachment_3- Ecological_Assessment_Report.pdf Ecological Assessment Report	17/09/2025	No	High

## 5.2 Declarations

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## ✔ Completed Referring party's declaration

The Referring party is the person preparing the information in this referral.

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Check this box to indicate you have read the referral form. \*

Check this box to confirm these are the correct identification details. \*

By checking this box, I, **George Milford of MILFORD PLANNING PTY LTD**, declare that to the best of my knowledge the information I have given on, or attached to this EPBC Act Referral is complete, current and correct. I understand that giving false or misleading information is a serious offence. \*

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## ✔ Completed Person proposing to take the action's declaration

The Person proposing to take the action is the individual, business, government agency or trustee that will be responsible for the proposed action.

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Check this box to indicate you have read the referral form. \*

Check this box to confirm these are the correct identification details. \*

I, **Deborah Dinardo of SAMSUNG C&T RENEWABLE ENERGY AUSTRALIA PTY LTD**, declare that to the best of my knowledge the information I have given on, or attached to the EPBC Act Referral is complete, current and correct. I understand that giving false or misleading information is a serious offence. I declare that I am not taking the action on behalf or for the benefit of any other person or entity. \*

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### **Completed Proposed designated proponent's declaration**

The Proposed designated proponent is the individual or organisation proposed to be responsible for meeting the requirements of the EPBC Act during the assessment process, if the Minister decides that this project is a controlled action.

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Same as Person proposing to take the action information.

Check this box to indicate you have read the referral form. \*

Check this box to confirm these are the correct identification details. \*

I, **Deborah Dinardo of SAMSUNG C&T RENEWABLE ENERGY AUSTRALIA PTY LTD**, the Proposed designated proponent, consent to the designation of myself as the Proposed designated proponent for the purposes of the action described in this EPBC Act Referral. \*

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