



Australian Government

Department of Climate Change, Energy,  
the Environment and Water

## Notification of referral decision and designated proponent – controlled action

### Wattle Creek Energy Hub Battery Energy Storage System Project (EPBC 2024/09970)

This decision is made under section 75 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).

#### Proposed Action

**designated proponent** WATTLE CREEK ENERGY HUB PTY LTD  
ACN: 664 148 958

**proposed Action** The proposed action is to install, operate, maintain and decommission a large-scale Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) facility and associated infrastructure in Brayton NSW (see EPBC Act referral 2024/09970).

#### Referral decision: controlled action

**status of proposed Action** The proposed Action is a controlled action.  
The project will require assessment and approval under the EPBC Act before it can proceed.

**relevant controlling provisions** Listed threatened species and communities (sections 18 and 18A)

#### Assessment approach

**assessment approach** The project will be assessed under the assessment bilateral agreement with New South Wales.

#### Person authorised to make decision

**name and position** Kate Gowland  
Branch Head  
Environment Assessments (NSW, ACT)

**signature**

**date of decision** 26 November 2024