

Field work near Tamworth from May to August 2026

May 2026

EnergyCo is continuing works in the Tamworth area to help plan deliveries to the New England Renewable Energy Zone (REZ).

Overview

EnergyCo is delivering the New England REZ to provide a clean, affordable and reliable power supply for energy consumers across NSW.

Delivery of the New England REZ involves building:

- renewable energy projects, such as solar farms, wind farms and battery energy storage systems
- transmission lines and energy hubs to connect these projects to electricity consumers.

This requires the movement of large components to and around the New England REZ.

EnergyCo and Transport for NSW are working together with local councils to plan upgrades to road intersections and pinch-points to allow large components to be moved safely across the road network to renewable energy projects.

What are we doing?

We have been carrying out investigations in the Tamworth area since April 2025. This work will inform our planning for a suitable, low-impact oversize and over-mass (OSOM) route to unlock access from Muswellbrook to the

New England REZ, while minimising traffic impacts on the town centre.

Investigations in the area will continue from May to August and may include:

- visual inspections, topographic and cadastral surveys
- location, inspection and survey of utilities
- ecological surveys
- LiDAR (Light Detection and Ranging involves flying a plane approximately 1km above ground to create a 3D representation of the landscape)
- geotechnical and contamination investigations
- heritage inspections
- noise monitoring

More information on these investigations and how they are undertaken can be found at energyco.nsw.gov.au/ne.

A map of the work location is provided on the opposite side of this notification.

Where investigations need to be carried out on private property, we will consult with landowners directly to arrange access.

We appreciate your cooperation while this important work is undertaken.

Work hours and timing

Work will take place between 7am and 6pm Monday to Friday, and 8am to 1pm on Saturdays.

Some work (such as traffic counting and fauna surveys) may take place outside standard hours to ensure we capture all relevant data.

What will this mean for you?

You may see workers carrying out investigations in road reserves but there will be minimal impact to road users.

If any access to private property is required, we will consult with landowners directly to arrange access.

To protect workers and road users, there may be times when we will have traffic control measures in place for short periods of time. Please keep to the speed limits and follow the direction of traffic controllers and signs.

For the latest traffic updates, you can download the Live Traffic NSW app, visit livetraffic.com or call 132 701.

Managing our impacts

We aim to manage our work to minimise impacts to the community and the environment.

Noise from these activities is expected to be minimal. Access to properties will be maintained at all times.

Contact us

For more information, you can get in touch with our team by calling **1800 061 114** (9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday) or by emailing nerez@energyco.nsw.gov.au.

You can read more about the New England REZ by visiting energyco.nsw.gov.au/ne.

If you need help understanding this information, please contact the Translating and Interpreting Service on **131 450** and ask them to call us on **1800 061 114**.

Work location

