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Running Creek Hybrid Project

Project overview

The Running Creek project is a proposed hybrid renewable energy project at Mount Alma, approximately 70 kilometres south-west of Gladstone, Queensland.

The project would combine a solar farm with battery energy storage systems (BESS). Electricity generated during the day could be stored and dispatched when it is needed, including during periods of high demand in the evening and at night.

The proposed site is predominantly cleared grazing land with frontage to the Dawson Highway. We are also investigating agrivoltaics opportunities that could allow agricultural activities to continue alongside renewable energy generation.

Running Creek is at an early stage of planning. The information in this fact sheet reflects the project as currently proposed and may change as technical studies, community consultation and detailed design progress.

Why Running Creek?

Grid access: The site is adjacent to the existing Calvale–Calliope 275 kilovolt transmission corridor. Grid capacity and connection requirements will be assessed as the project progresses.

Solar resource: Central Queensland has a strong solar resource, with high levels of sunshine throughout the year.

Land and access: The site is predominantly cleared grazing land with frontage to the Dawson Highway. Access, transport and earthworks requirements will be confirmed through technical studies and detailed design.

Regional capability: Gladstone is a long-established energy and industrial region with an experienced workforce and established contractors, suppliers and service providers.

QUICK FACTS

600 MWdc (approx.)
solar capacity.

500MW battery storage capacity
from two types of battery with a duration of approximately two to four hours each.

199,000 homes
Enough to supply the equivalent to the energy needs of approximately 199,000 households each year.

30 months per project
for construction of the solar farm and BESS, undertaken concurrently or separately.

40-year operational life
The project could be repowered or the site rehabilitated, subject to future approvals and land-use requirements.

500 construction jobs
Up to 500 construction jobs during peak construction.

6-8 operational jobs
Approximately six to eight ongoing roles.

765,000 tonnes
of carbon emissions avoided annually.

Get involved!

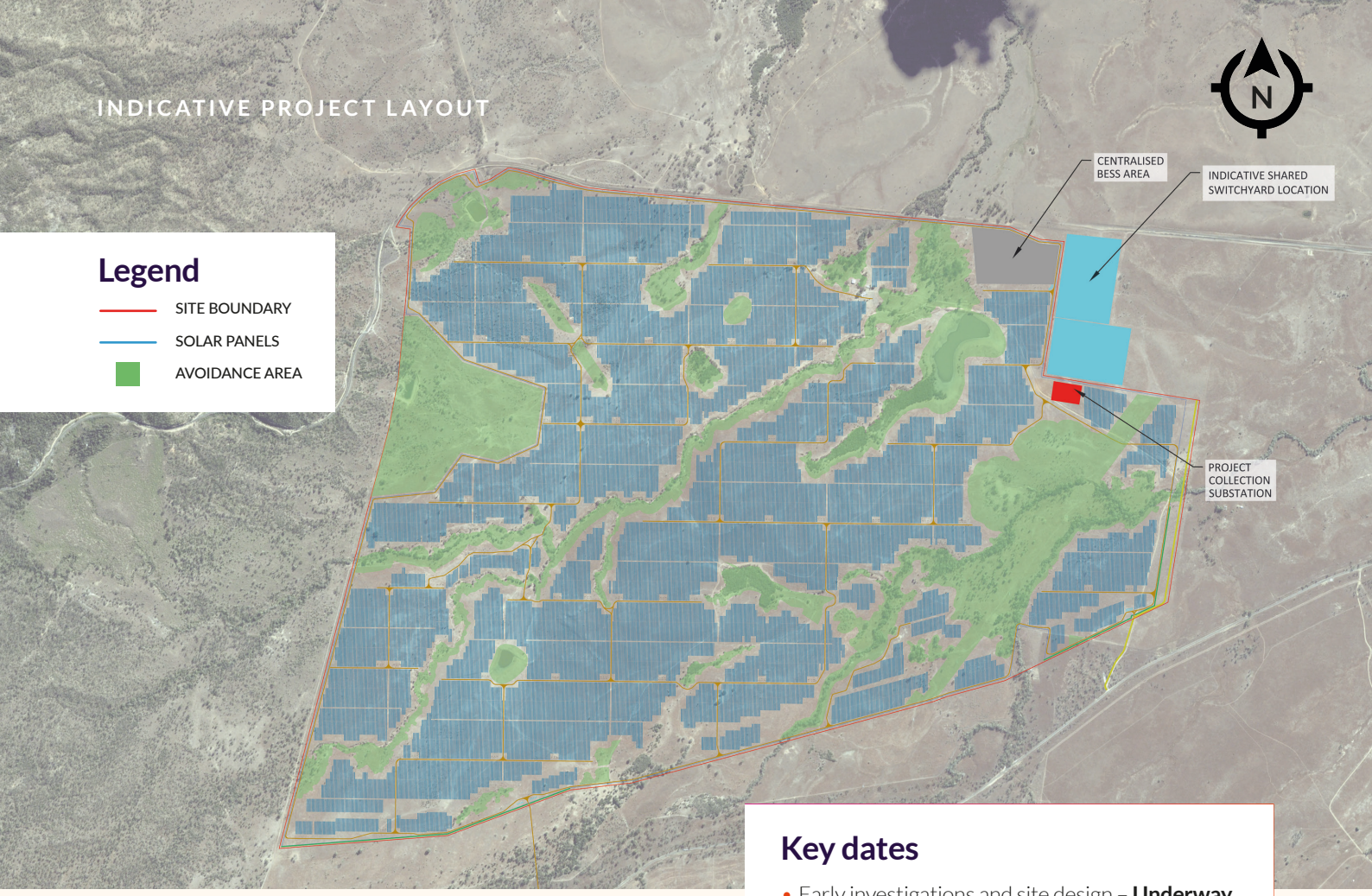
Want to know more or speak to someone from our team?

If you would like to know more about the project or have questions for the team, please get in touch.

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INDICATIVE PROJECT LAYOUT



Key dates

- Early investigations and site design – **Underway**
- EPBC referral submission – **Early 2027**
- Development application lodged with Queensland State Assessment and Referral Agency (SARA) – **Mid-2027**
- Expected construction commencement – **2028-29**
- Target operations – **2031**

Community investment and local benefits

We are committed to working closely with local communities to understand their priorities, manage potential impacts and create lasting local value through employment, business opportunities, skills development and community investment.

If you would like to share your thoughts and ideas on what would be of value to the local community, please get in touch with us.

Talking with the community

We want to hear from neighbouring landholders, Traditional Owners and the wider community while the project is still being shaped.

Community feedback will help inform the project's design, Social Impact Assessment, management of potential impacts and opportunities to create lasting local benefits.

We intend to engage with the appropriate Traditional Owner representatives and work with them on cultural heritage and other relevant matters as the project progresses.

WHO IS LIGHTSOURCE BP

Lightsource bp is a global renewable energy company helping drive the energy transition by developing, building and operating solar and battery storage projects – including here in Australia.

Since starting as a small UK business in 2010, we've grown to around 1,000 people across more than 15 markets, with 7.5GW of projects operating or under construction worldwide. In Australia, our local team works closely with landowners, communities and regional businesses to develop responsible projects that support the energy transition and deliver lasting local benefits.

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