



Tumuruu Newsletter

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Australian Solar Enterprises' approach to the design and delivery of the Tumuruu project is underpinned by environmental sustainability, active community engagement, and the desire to leave a long-lasting positive legacy for all our stakeholders.

We would appreciate your time to help us better understand community feedback.

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Welcome to the 3rd edition of the Tumuruu newsletter

Australian Solar Enterprises (ASE) is proposing the Tumuruu Solar project in Blackbutt on a private property on Bowman Road.

It is important we continue to inform the community on the assessment process, if you have any questions or comments, please do reach out to the team on the details below left. We are here to listen and answer to all parties.

Project Activity

- An initial review by Powerlink has supported the ability to connect to the 275kv lines that are on the project site.
- ASE has started conversations with conservation groups on the ability to establish seed banking of at-risk native species within the proposed vegetation buffer on the project site boundary.
- There will be contractors onsite W/C 14th March undertaking further studies in support of project information requested by the South Burnett Council assessment division as part of the DA process.
- If you would like to connect, please reach out to Plan C on the details on the left.

Project Information

Below are some of the elements that have been considered to reduce the impact of the project:

- **Jobs:** Pending approvals and the project advancing to construction there will be opportunities for employment and also for contactors to support. We will soon hold an information session and make available an expression of interest portal. Please note we are still in the approvals phase of the development so these opportunities are at least 12 months away.
- **Business Opportunities:** Flow-on benefits to accommodation, food, and other service businesses in the surrounding region to support the construction workforce. It is expected that a notable portion of workers at the site would utilise commercial accommodation and other services during the construction phase. During operations there will still be business opportunities around maintenance, security and landscaping with the focus on local procurement.
- **Technology:** ASE continues to develop the project with the use of the Jurchen PEG ground mount. This system is high density which reduces the land needed for large scale solar and the panels are about 1m from the ground. One of the key considerations has been the fact there are no cement footings required (just a 25mm rebar) and reduced in ground cabling within the solar panel footprint. There is minimal heavy machinery for installation, mostly for smoothing earthworks.

FAQ have moved to the Tumuruu website (<https://tumuruusolar.com.au/faqs>)
If you have any questions not answered here or on the website, please reach out.