

Project update

# Daroobalgie Solar Farm

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## About the Project

Daroobalgie Solar Farm is a proposed renewable energy project located approximately 11 kilometres northeast of Forbes in NSW. The project would comprise of a solar farm (approximately 100MW) and transmission line to connect the solar farm to the existing electricity transmission network. The project would provide enough electricity to power the equivalent of 34,000 homes each year.

## Environmental Impact Statement on Public Exhibition

The Daroobalgie Solar Farm project Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) has been lodged with the NSW Department of Planning and Environment and is now on public exhibition until Tuesday 19 April 2022.

You can access the EIS at  
<https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/daroobalgie-solar-farm>



You can have your say on the EIS by making a submission directly to the Department or please get in contact with the project team with any questions.

## The Environmental Impact Statement

The EIS provides the results of more than two years of environmental and social assessments and community consultation on the project. It outlines the potential impacts of the project and the proposed management and mitigation measures for any identified impacts. It comprises a main summary document and eight technical appendices.

## Project Approval Process

After the exhibition period closes submissions will be collated and Pacific Hydro will respond to any issues raised. The project will then be assessed by the NSW Department of Planning and Environment who will decide if the project should be approved and if so, with what conditions.

### Stage 1

Early consultation

- Pacific Hydro consults with a range of stakeholders including landholders, local interest groups, state agencies and local and state government about the proposed project.

### Stage 2

EIS preparation

- An EIS is prepared in accordance with the State Government's Planning Secretary Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARS)
- Community consultation is undertaken to obtain feedback on the project and the findings of the environmental/social impact assessments.

### Stage 3

EIS exhibition

- The EIS is submitted to the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE)
- The EIS is placed on public exhibition and the community is invited to review and make submissions on the EIS
- Pacific Hydro provides a response to submissions.

### Stage 4

Assessment and determination

- A recommendation report is prepared by DPE
- The NSW Planning Minister makes a decision about the project.



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