

Boulia Solar Farm and Battery Project Update



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New Year, new Solar Farm & Battery Facility for Boulia

The New Year kick-starts construction at Boulia

Happy New Year everyone! We hope that you had a wonderful festive season, and that 2025 has great things in store for the Boulia community.

As we herald in 2025, we are excited to confirm that construction of the Boulia Solar Farm and Battery Facility has commenced.

Our contractors, Yurika, have started civil works to prepare the site. They have cleared rock and have started excavation for trenches that will house the conduits for the facilities underground electrical cables. Work to drive the posts for the solar array frames is also well progressed – see figures 1 to 3.



Fig 1 – Pile driver installing the first of the solar array posts.



Fig 2 – Delivering a quality job - the team ensures the posts are straight and aligned before starting the framing work.



Fig 3 – Civil work and construction of the solar array is happening concurrently on site, with good progress is being made.

When the frames are complete, they will start affixing the solar panels to the frames, and the solar farm will really start to take shape.

Once the facility is connected to the Power Station in town, the facility will deliver significant benefits, generating clean energy from the sun, and reducing diesel emissions with an anticipated saving of around 360,000 litres of diesel each year, reducing our impact on the environment.

We have some other network related projects that we are required to complete at Boulia to enable the commissioning of the solar farm and battery facility. So, we are fast-tracking these jobs in our works schedule to try and have the new solar farm and battery facility complete and operational in 2026.

We're committed to caring for Country

We are building and maintaining electrical infrastructure right across the state, and no matter where we're operating, we're committed to caring for Country.

We know that locals are a great source of information and can assist with the planning of our projects.

So, as part of our project planning activities, our Project Manager, Karen and Ergon's Senior Cultural Heritage Advisor, Donald, met on site with Pitta Pitta Elders Lorna Bogdanek and Tanya Rice, to walk through the site and conduct a Cultural Heritage assessment – see Figure 4.



Fig 4 – On Country completing a Cultural Heritage assessment at the Boulia solar farm and battery facility site.

We are thankful to Lorna and Tanya for sharing your local knowledge with the project team and helping us to care for Country.

Getting in touch with us

To keep up to date on the project, visit our project website [Boulia solar farm & battery project | Ergon Energy](#) or scan the QR code.



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