

EXHIBITION OF STATE SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT MODIFICATION APPLICATION

New England Solar Farm Modification 2

Application No	SSD-9255-Mod-2
Location	Approximately 6 km east of Uralla and 19 km south of Armidale
Applicant	ACEN Australia Pty Ltd
Council Area	Uralla Shire
Consent Authority	Minister for Planning

Description of the development consent

Development of a 720 MW solar farm with energy storage and associated infrastructure.

Description of proposed modification

The modification application proposes to:

- amend the project boundaries and increase the development footprint;
- increase the project's energy storage capacity (from 200 MW / 400 MWh to approximately 1,400 MW / 2,800 MWh);
- allow for additional land that could be used for solar generation (total project capacity remains unchanged at 720 MW);
- increase the number of over-dimensional and heavy vehicles during construction; and
- amend the project's construction hours.

About the exhibition

An exhibition process allows any individual or organisation to have their say about a proposed development.

The Department of Planning and Environment (Department) has received an application to modify the abovementioned approved State significant development. The application and accompanying documents (including the modification report) are on exhibition from **Friday 4 November 2022** until **Thursday 17 November 2022**. You can view these documents online at <u>planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects</u>.

At the time of publishing this advertisement, the Minister for Planning has not directed that a public hearing should be held.

Have your say

The Department encourages online submissions. To have your say online, search for this project at <u>planningportal</u> <u>.nsw.gov.au/major-projects</u> and click on 'Make a submission'. You will need to log in or create a user account.

If you cannot submit online, post or drop your submission to the address below, to arrive before the close of exhibition. If you would like your personal information to be withheld from publication, please clarify this in a separate cover sheet and only provide your personal information in that cover sheet. Do not include personal information in your submission as your submission will be published in full.

If you choose to send a paper-based submission, it is important that both the submission and mailing envelope are addressed to the nominated contact person below.

<u>Please be aware that if you choose to send a paper-based submission and it is not addressed to the nominated contact person, the submission will not be received by the Department and will instead be returned to sender.</u>

Before making your submission: You should read the Department's:

- disclaimer and declaration at planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/help/disclaimer-and-declaration; and
- privacy statement at <u>planning.nsw.gov.au/privacy</u>.

Please call 1300 305 695 if you wish to be provided with a copy. Your submission will be published on the NSW planning portal in accordance with our privacy statement and disclaimer and declaration.





Department of Planning and Environment



In your submission, please include:

- your name and address (please ensure your personal details are provided in a separate cover sheet if you
 would like your details to be withheld from publication);
- the name of the project and the application number;
- a statement on whether you 'support' or 'object' to the application or if you are simply providing comment;
- the reasons why you support or object to the application;
- a declaration of any reportable political donations you have made in the last two years (visit <u>planning.nsw.gov.au/DonationsandGiftDisclosure</u> or phone 1300 305 695 to find out more); and
- a statement indicating you acknowledge and accept the Department's disclaimer and declaration.

For more information, including a copy of the Department's submissions policy, please go to planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/have-your-say.

Please note that if the application is approved, there is no right of a merit appeal to the NSW Land and Environment Court by an objector.

For more information: Contact (02) 9373 2821 or 1300 305 695

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