

Application for new permit or referral to clear native vegetation

Application Details	
Application number	APP-0030630
Application type	New
Application sub-type	Clearing referral (s.51DA)
Project number	PRJ-0017743
Project name	Muchea Battery Project
Instrument number (if applicable)	
CPS number	
Application Status	Submitted
Applicant	NEOEN AUSTRALIA PTY. LTD.

	Submission Details
Created By	
Submitted By	
Submitted Date	18-08-2025
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	Contact Details
Applicant full name	
Applicant email	
Applicant contact number	
Applicant address	
Multiple applicants	No
Third Party full name	
Third Party email	
Third Party contact number	
Third party address	
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Organisation name	
Organisation email	
Organisation contact number	
Organisation address	
ABN	



ACN	

Land Details	
Property name	Western Power Muchea Substation
Land description	75 BYRNE RD, MUCHEA
	Lot on Plan D050743 1
	Land ID Number 1246480
	Area 4.1153 ha
	Local Government CHITTERING
Street address – Line 1	75 BYRNE RD
Street address – Line 2	
Suburb	MUCHEA
Postcode	6501
Local government area	Shire of Chittering
State	
Land Zoning	Non-residential
Relationship to landowner	I will undertake the clearing activities with the
	landowner's authority and will be the permit holder

	Proposed Clearing
Total area of clearing proposed (hectares)	0.032
Footprint of clearing (hectares)	
Number of trees to be removed	2
Purpose for clearing	Water/gas/cable/pipeline/power installation
Specify other	
Final land use after clearing	Western Power requires the relocation of the existing HBK–MUC81 transmission line to enable connection of the Muchea BESS project.
Method for proposed clearing	Cutting; Mechanical clearing/bulldozing
Specify other	
Proposed start date	24-11-2025
Proposed end date	01-10-2026
Avoidance details	The clearing is directly associated with the relocation of the existing 132 kV HBK–MUC 81-0168 wooden transmission line, which is more than 20 years old and requires replacement.
	Avoidance is not chosen as this is an existing in-service transmission asset that must remain in operation to



	maintain supply security. Engineering the line to avoid clearing would create significantly higher costs and operational consequences, including extended outages to Henley Brook and broader risks to network reliability. The proposed design has therefore been optimised to restrict the clearing footprint to the minimum area required to safely access, replace, and maintain the asset.
Mitigation details	Clearing will be confined strictly to the approved footprint, with adjacent vegetation retained and protected through demarcation and exclusion zones. All works will be undertaken in accordance with hygiene protocols to prevent the introduction or spread of weeds and dieback. Cleared vegetation and topsoil will be stockpiled for reuse where practicable, supporting rehabilitation of temporary disturbance areas. Postconstruction monitoring will be undertaken to confirm rehabilitation outcomes and to identify and manage any weed regrowth, ensuring long-term environmental values are maintained.
Offset proposal submitted?	False

Pre-application scoping	
Clearing within the Swan Coastal Plain and Avon Wheatbelt bioregions?	False
Any pre-application scoping meetings with DWER?	
Details of pre-application scoping meetings	

Assessment Bilateral Agreement	
Request the proposed clearing	False
action to be assessed in	
accordance with, or under, an EPBC	
Act Accredited Process?	
Is the proposed clearing a	True
controlled action?	
EPBC number	
Details of controlled action	



Surveys for assessment (IBSA and IMSA)	
Biodiversity surveys submitted?	Not Applicable
IBSA number(s)	
IBSA submission number(s)	
Marine surveys prepared?	Not Applicable

	Other approvals
Referred to EPA?	False
EPA details	
Intention to refer to EPA?	No - not a significant proposal
Ministerial statement number (if applicable)	
Works approval licence or registration	No - not required
Details of works approval licence or registration	
Water licences and permits?	Not applicable
Details of water licences and permits	
Planning and other approvals required?	Yes
Details of planning and other approvals	The project has been approved under the Regional JDAP – Shire of Chittering (DAP Application P063/22).
Details of exemption from planning and approvals	

Attached Documents	
Links to the Portal SharePoint	Links to File folder: <u>Application Folder</u>
location	Link to Confidential folder: Application Confidential
	<u>Folder</u>
Links to Geospatial information	Links to Shapefiles folder: <u>Application Shapefiles Folder</u>