

# **Website Launch and Project Information Line:**

The Silver City project has established a website for the project. This website will host up to date information relating to the project and will be continually updated as the project progresses to ensure the Community in which we are working is kept informed.

To allow us to communicate with you, please follow the links on the website and register your details. This will enable us to distribute key information to you via email, especially as work on the project accelerates. Business opportunities and expressions of interest from vendors can also be lodged via the website.

We have also engaged an Australian business to provide us with contact centre services. The service is available 24 hours, 7 days a week, and will provide another avenue for the community to make enquiries or complaints regarding the project.

The website is SilverCityEnergyStorage.com.

The contact centre number is 1 800 975 129.



### **Andrew and Vinnies CEO Sleep Out:**

In June our SVP Andrew Barton participated in the Vinnies CEO Sleepout in Melbourne which saw 200 CEOs and business leaders from Melbourne gather at the South Melbourne Market. The Vinnies CEO Sleepout is a one-night event held on the longest and coldest night of year and draws hundreds of CEO's, business owners and community and government leaders that sleep outdoors to support the many Australians who are experiencing homelessness and people at risk of homelessness.

This is the second time Andrew has participated in the Vinnies CEO sleepout and raised over \$6,000 from his efforts, contributing to the overall Victorian target \$1,750,000



#### **Procurement:**

We're pleased to announce that our contracting strategy for the project has now been finalized. Following extensive planning and industry engagement, we've adopted a flexible, partnership-focused approach that supports the project requirements, local participation, and long-term value creation.

With this foundation in place, we will shortly be going to market with a series of procurement packages across key scopes, including:

- Heat Exchangers
- Thermal Vessels
- Enabling Works (Site Preparation)
- Cold Tanks
- HV Transmission

- Underground Works Caverns
- Underground Works Shafts
- Bulk Earthworks
- Powerplant Works

We encourage interested suppliers and contractors—particularly those with local capability and a commitment to sustainability and innovation—to reach out.

For further information please visit our website to then follow the link to ICN and/or NSWICC. If you are a vendor who would like to register an interest in packages please visit our website and complete the vendor interest form.



### **Careers Expo:**

Our team will join the Regional Development Australia Far West 2025 Careers Expo that will be held at Gary Radford Pavilion Racecourse Road Broken Hill on 6 August 2025.

We will share insights about our project and provide opportunities to connect with skilled professionals and future workers to discuss opportunities in the growing renewable energy sector.

### **Geotechnical Investigations:**

During July there will be some shallow geotechnical investigations along portions of the transmission route of the project. The transmission line route is approximately 16km in length and will pass between South Broken Hill and the airport connecting to the existing Transgrid substation on Pinnacles Road.

This investigation work will be undertaken by SMEC and will provide detailed information regarding the ground conditions along the transmission route which will assist in reducing disturbance and informing the methodology for the installation of the transmission towers.

This work will occur between Tuesday 1 July 2025 through to Saturday 12 July 2025 7am to 5pm Monday through to Saturday. There will be no geotechnical investigation work undertaken on Sundays.

#### The equipment used will include:

- Light vehicles
- Trailer
- Truck mounted drill rig

- Small barricades (if required)
- Hand tools (stilsons, wrenches, hammers and spanners)

See the next page for an image of our transmission route.

#### **Conferences**

Recently, Hydrostor's Director of Regulatory and Government Affairs, Sara Taylor, was invited to join other industry experts on a panel at Australian Energy Week discussing how the regulatory environment could be made storage-friendly.

Sara discussed how the Regulatory Investment Test-Transmission (RIT-T) was not designed to enable new storage investment, and yet the Silver City Energy Storage Centre will be the first non-network solution that is able to be constructed because of the process.

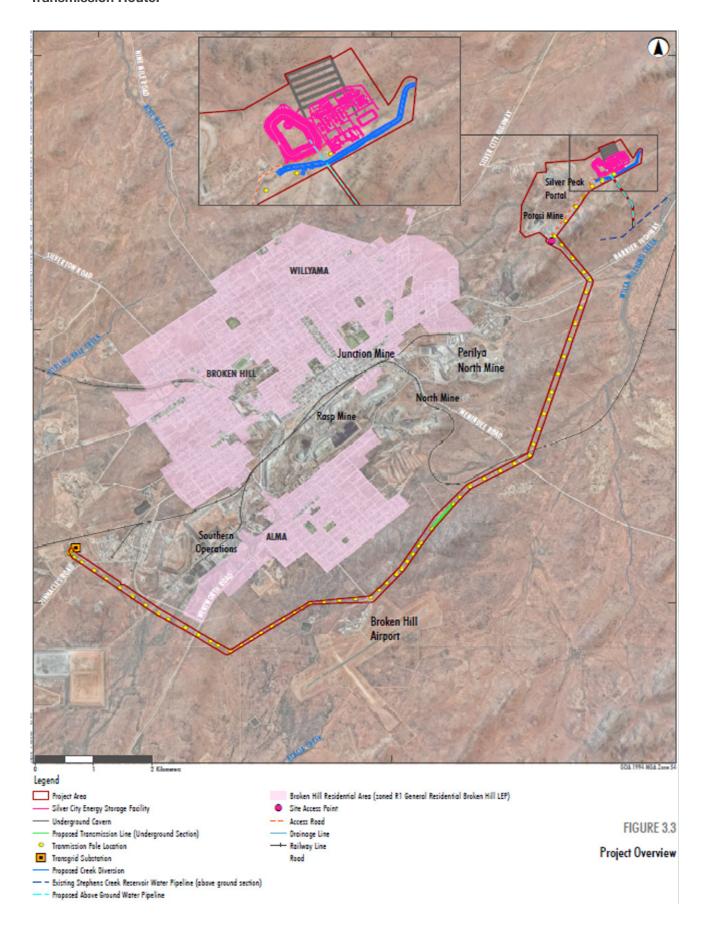
Sara acknowledges that the RIT-T could be improved, however has the potential to deliver more long duration energy storage as an alternative to more transmission build out in the long-term interest of consumers.







#### **Transmission Route:**





### **Silver City Community Engagement:**

The team will be hosting community drop-in sessions on Friday 18 July and Saturday 19 July 2025.

The sessions will provide an opportunity for the community to come and chat to the team, understand where the project is at and to ask the team any questions you may have about the project.

We continue to be in Broken Hill regularly and are available to meet with community and stakeholders regarding the Project. Please get in touch with the project team via our website.



**Drop-in Session Information:** 

Friday 18 July 2025
11am-2pm
Giovanni and Co Oxide Street,
Broken Hill

Saturday 19 July 2025 9:30am-12pm Giovanni and Co Oxide Street, Broken Hill



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