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Mr Andrew Chesterman
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Department of Environment and Heritage Protection
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Dear Mr Chesterman,

**Transmission Network Extension in North West Surat Basin
Eurombah to Fairview Transmission Line Project
Notice of Proposed Ministerial Designation
of Land for Community Infrastructure**

Following completion of the required technical studies, environmental assessments and community consultation, Powerlink has finalised the alignment for the transmission line for the above project. A locality plan showing the location of the proposed infrastructure is attached. In order to construct the line, Powerlink needs to also satisfy the planning requirements of the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009*.

As you may have a potential interest in this proposed development, please find attached a "Notice of Proposed Designation of Land for Community Infrastructure" under the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009*.

As a party to this process, you have the right to submit a response to the proposed designation of land described in the notice. To do so, you are required to lodge a submission that details your views on the proposed designation. Details regarding how to make a submission and the closing time for receipt of the submission are contained in the notice.

Should you have any questions regarding aspects of this process please contact me on our FREECALL 1800 635 369 for clarification.

Yours sincerely

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Nicole Boulton
PROJECT MANAGER

Enc: Notice of Proposed Ministerial Designation of Land
Project Locality Plan

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**Transmission network extension in North West Surat Basin
Eurombah to Fairview Transmission Line Project**

Proposal for Minister to designate land

Queensland Electricity Transmission Corporation Limited, trading as Powerlink Queensland, proposes to make a request to the Honourable Mark McArdle MP, Minister for Energy and Water Supply, to designate land for community infrastructure under the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009, chapter 5*. Powerlink Queensland invites submissions about the proposed designation.

Description of the land to which the proposed designation applies

The proposed Ministerial Designation applies to easements and areas of land described in the table below. This land is located west of Wandoan, in the Maranoa Regional Council area, extending in to Banana Shire Council, north east of Injune.

Easement/ Area Identifier	Easement/ Area Plan Number	Lot Number	Survey Plan Number	Local Government
I	EU-FV-0003	9	AB244	Banana Shire Council
I	EU-FV-0003	9	AB244	Maranoa Regional Council
G	SP261991	2	AB247	Banana Shire Council
H	SP261991	2	AB247	Banana Shire Council
CIDA	EU-FV-0002	INJUNE ROAD		Banana Shire Council
E	SP261990	8	SP261936	Banana Shire Council
F	SP261990	8	SP261936	Banana Shire Council
D	SP261989	6	CP908635	Maranoa Regional Council
F	SP261988	5	SP261934	Maranoa Regional Council
G	SP261988	5	SP261934	Maranoa Regional Council
H	SP261988	5	SP261934	Maranoa Regional Council
CIDA	EU-FV-0001	FAIRVIEW ROAD		Maranoa Regional Council
CIDA	EU-FV-0001	UNNAMED ROAD		Maranoa Regional Council
CIDA	EU-FV-0001	FAIRVIEW ROAD		Maranoa Regional Council

Type of community infrastructure for which the land is proposed to be designated

The land is proposed to be designated for Powerlink's Eurombah to Fairview Transmission Line Project. This project includes two proposed transmission lines: a 275kV transmission line, approximately 22km in length from the proposed Eurombah Substation to a proposed substation at Fairview South, and a 132kV transmission line approximately 27km in length continuing north to the proposed Fairview Substation. The total length of the combined alignment is approximately 49kms.

The project comprises construction of a double circuit, steel lattice tower 275kV transmission line and a double circuit, steel lattice tower 132kV transmission line. Tasks associated with the project include vegetation management, installation of foundations, erection of transmission line structures, stringing of conductors and all ancillary and associated transmission line construction works including new access tracks and minor works.

This community infrastructure is described under Schedule 2, Part 2, Item 11 of the *Sustainable Planning Regulation 2009* as operating works under the *Electricity Act 1994*.

How to view details of the proposed designation of land and development for the community infrastructure

The Final Environmental Impact Statement, otherwise known as the Assessment Report, prepared for the Eurombah to Fairview Transmission Line Project provides information about the proposed designation of land and development for the community infrastructure.

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It may be viewed at the office of Powerlink Queensland, 33 Harold Street Virginia QLD 4014; Roma library, 38-44 Hawthorne Street Roma QLD 4455; Wandoan library, 6 Henderson Road Wandoan QLD 4419; and Taroom library, 24 Yaldwyn Street Taroom QLD 4420, between Thursday, 12 December 2013 and Wednesday, 29 January 2014.

A copy of the report in CD format may be obtained directly from Powerlink by calling the number below. Alternatively, a copy of the report may also be downloaded from the Powerlink website at www.powerlink.com.au (go to 'Projects/Southern/Transmission network extension in North West Surat').

For further information about the proposed designation

Any questions about the proposed designation of land and development for the community infrastructure should be directed Nicole Boulton at Powerlink Queensland on FREECALL telephone **1800 635 369** (during business hours), fax **(07) 3860 2400** or at email address property.designation@powerlink.com.au.

Making a submission about the proposed designation

Any person or entity may make a submission about any aspect of the proposed designation of land and development for the community infrastructure. The submissions should —

- be in writing, dated and signed by each person or entity who made the submission;
- state the name and address of each person or entity who made the submission; and
- state the grounds of the submission and the facts and circumstances relied on in support of the grounds.

Submissions are to be addressed to:

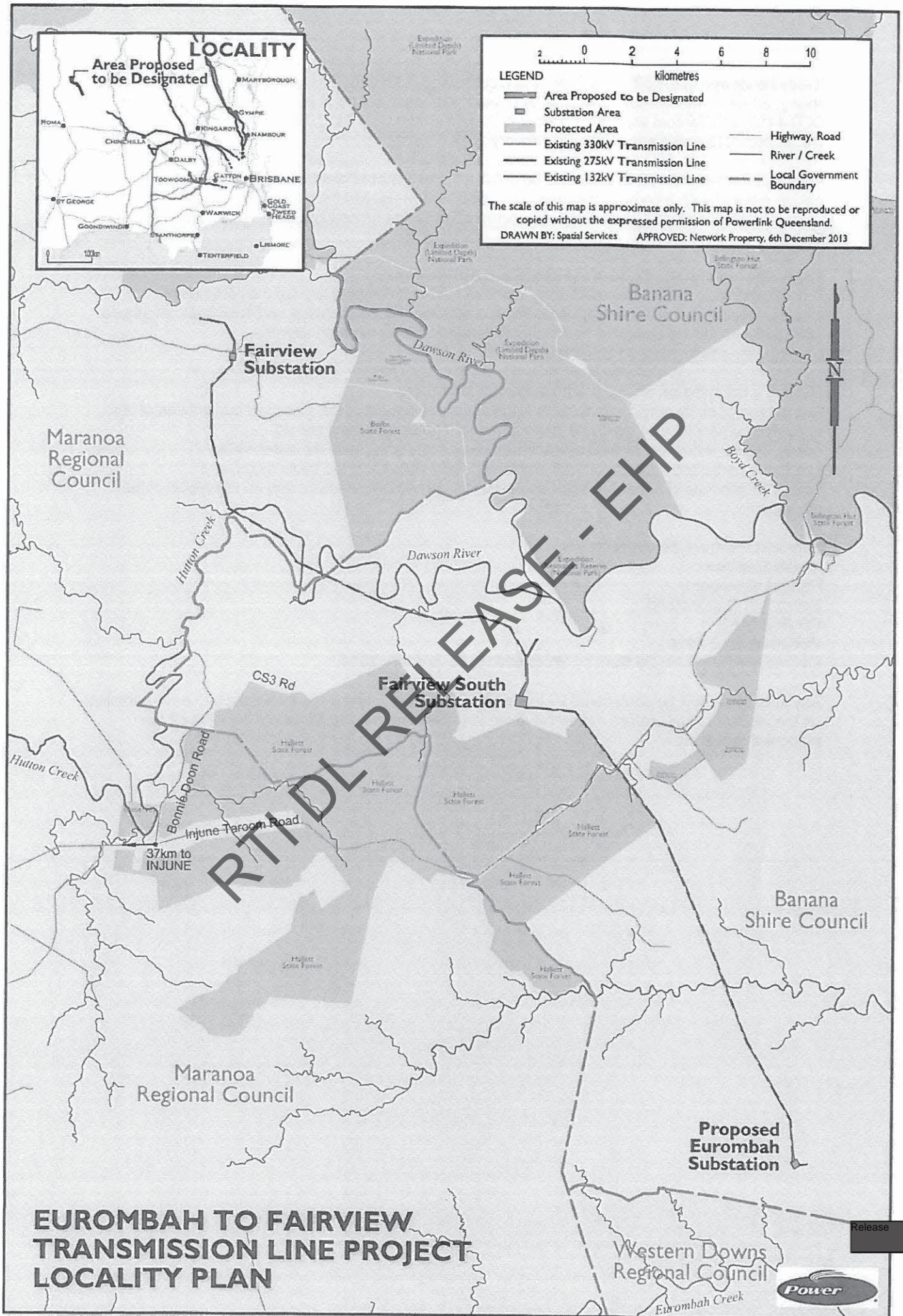
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and received on or before **5pm on Wednesday, 29 January 2014**.

Any submission will be considered by Powerlink Queensland, and a response given to each submitter on the matters raised, before a report is given to the Minister for the Minister's decision on the proposed designation.

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**State Significant Biodiversity Values for QBOP
Eurombah to Fairview Transmission Line Project**

Draft/Rough QBOP Assessment:

Regional Ecosystems	Triggered	Details
Remnant Endangered regional ecosystems	Yes – in one main small area near centre of alignment.	Nil
Remnant Of Concern regional ecosystems	Yes – in small patches along the alignment – approximately 8 or 9 areas.	Nil
High Value Regrowth Endangered regional ecosystems	Yes	No longer applies
High Value Regrowth Of Concern regional ecosystems	Yes	No longer applies
Threshold regional ecosystems	Nil	Nil
Critically limited regional ecosystems	Nil	Nil
Remnant Endangered or Of Concern Grassland regional ecosystems	Nil	Nil
Essential Habitat		
Essential habitat	Essential Habitat and Essential Habitat Species at northern end of alignment. 6 species within 5km of alignment. These are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Melaleuca irbyana</i> • <i>Melaleuca irbyana</i> • <i>Acacia islana</i> • <i>Melaleuca irbyana</i> • <i>Melaleuca irbyana</i> • <i>Melaleuca irbyana</i> There are 2 essential sps within 2 km of alignment. These are both <i>Melaleuca islana</i> . No fauna species.	-
Essential regrowth habitat	Nil	Nil
Wetlands		
Wetland (<i>Vegetation Management Act 1999</i>)	Springs – numerous – about 9 within 5km of alignment – mainly near central area of alignment.	-
Significant wetland (<i>Vegetation Management Act 1999</i>)	Nil	Nil
Watercourses		

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Watercourses	Yes	Streamorder 1s and 2s crossed throughout alignment.
Connectivity		
Connectivity	Yes – near the central to slightly northern end there is one crossing of state significance corridor veg in the BB BPA.	-
Protected Animals		
Protected animals	Nil	Nil
Protected Plants		
Protected plants	<p>Within 2km of alignment there are 5 records of NT (NCA) sps – these are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acacia calantha (plant, NT, 3 records) • Acacia spania (plant, NT, 1 record) • Leucopogon grandiflorus (plant, NT, 1 record) 	-
Notes		
<p>ACA: Great Barrier Reef – riverine – very high AquaScore in middle of alignment, high towards northern end and towards southern end of alignment.</p> <p>BPA: Much of the alignment – about 60% passes through state significance BPA (Brigalow Belt).</p>		

Assessment completed: 20/12/2013

Assessor: Clare Davies

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