Native Vegetation Council

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DECISION NOTIFICATION Native Vegetation Regulations 2017

Application Number: 2022/3041/010-a

To: Alecia Wright ElectraNet Pty Ltd PO Box 7096 Adelaide SA 5000 **Date Received;** 16/2/2022 **Date Registered:** 16/2/2022

Applicant	ElectraNet Pty Ltd
Landholder	Various ownerships
Purpose of application	Clearance of native vegetation for the construction of a substation at
	Bundey and associated infrastructure including a new pipeline.
Description of native	36.85 ha of Chenopod shrublands
vegetation under application	
Location of the application	Various titles (refer to Appendix F of the EIS and Section 6 of the EIS
	Response Document)

Decision

The Native Vegetation Council has considered your application in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 12, Schedule 1; Clause 27 of the *Native Vegetation Regulations 2017*.

In respect of the application you are informed that the Native Vegetation Council:

1. **Grants consent** to the clearance of 36.85 ha of Chenopod shrublands in the area shown on the attached Decision Plan 2022/3041/010-a for the construction of a substation and associated pipeline.

Reason for Decision:

The clearance of native vegetation meets the requirements of Native Vegetation Regulation 12, Schedule 1; Clause 27.

Conditions of approval

This approval is subject to the conditions specified below. These conditions have been imposed to ensure that the impacts on native vegetation and biodiversity from approved clearance is adequately minimised and mitigated;

- 1. Clearance to be confined to areas as described in the Data Report titles "Project EnergyConnect (Robertstown to SA / NSW border)" prepared by Dr Sonia Croft, Dr Zeta Bull (Jacobs), and Stephen Milne (JBS&G) dated February 2022 and as delineated in attached Regulation Decision Plan;
- 2. Clearance is undertaken in accordance with the approval granted under Section 48 of the *Development Act 1993* on 6 January 2022.
- 3. The Significant Environmental Benefit requirement (equivalent to 1335.41 SEB points) is to be achieved by making a payment into the Native Vegetation Fund of \$331,364.70 (\$314,089.77 for clearance GST exclusive and \$17,274.94 for the administration fee GST inclusive) to be paid within one month of receipt of the



Government of South Australia invoice. The invoice will be sent once the attached 'Decision Notification acknowledgement' form is signed and returned.

- 4. Site preparation, construction and temporary clearance area rehabilitation activities will occur in accordance with an Environmental Management Plan(s) that is to be developed for the construction, rehabilitation and operational phases of the development as required under the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016,* for any forthcoming planning consent, prior to commencement of construction, in part, so as to minimise impacts on other native vegetation not approved for clearance on the subject land by, but not restricted to:
 - a) Restricting vehicle movement to avoid damage to other native vegetation on site;
 - b) Suppressing erosion or sedimentation;
 - c) Site rehabilitation;
 - d) Controlling the spread of pest plant and pathogenic material;
 - e) Managing browse pressure from feral animals and kangaroos on regenerating native vegetation on temporary clearance area rehabilitation sites.
- 5. Members of the NVC or a person who is an authorised officer under the Act may at a reasonable time enter the property of the landowner for the purpose of assessing and recording any matter relevant to this consent. A person undertaking such an assessment may be assisted by other suitable persons. Any such inspection will only be taken after there has been an attempt to contact the landowner.
- 6. Non-compliance with any of the conditions of this approval must be reported to the Native Vegetation Council as soon as practicable after the non-compliance being detected, and must be within a maximum of seven days. The report must include details of the nature of the breach, the location and extent of the breach and the actions taken and associated timing for completion of those actions, to address the breach.
- 7. The landowner must adequately inform any prospective purchaser, lessee or occupier of the land affected by conditions in this consent, of the relevant conditions.

Expiry date of approval

The approval to clear native vegetation in accordance with this decision ceases after 2 years from the decision date.

Signature	fflientjk
Name	Vaughan Levitzke PSM
Position	CHAIR, NATIVE VEGETATION ASSESSMENT PANEL
Date	19 April 2022 (Decision Date)

Notes

1. Effect of Consent

This Decision Notification grants consent under the *Native Vegetation Act 1991* only and does not imply approval under any other legislation. It is the responsibility of the landowner to obtain all relevant approvals for any proposed development. This includes any approval that might be required in relation to the Commonwealth *Environment Protection & Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.

2. Conditions

Please note that these conditions are an integral part of the consent and are legally binding under the *Native Vegetation Act 1991* and *Native Vegetation Regulations 2017*. Should **any** clearance occur in accordance with this decision, the conditions are enforceable in full.

Any conditions of consent are binding on and enforceable against the person granted the approval, any current and future owners of the land, any occupier of the land and any person who acquires the benefit of the clearance.

3. Amended decisions

Where a decision is amended, all previous versions of the decision are null and void.

If an application to amend a decision will substantially alter the nature of the original application or conditions of approval, the Native Vegetation Council may require a new application be submitted.

4. SEB Areas

All areas established as a condition of consent to provide a significant environmental benefit, whether through revegetation, management or protection of an area of native vegetation, are protected in perpetuity under the *Native Vegetation Act 1991*. No clearance of native vegetation within these areas can occur without the consent of the Native Vegetation Council.

5. Monitoring

The Native Vegetation Council undertakes a program of monitoring of conditions attached to any clearance consent. As part of this program, the landowner may be contacted by an officer of Department to arrange inspections. Should it be evident that the conditions have not be applied with in full, the landholder will be informed in writing of the nature of breach of the conditions and given an opportunity to comply with the conditions. However, if the breach of the conditions is substantial, ongoing or irreversibly, then the Council may take compliance actions under Section 31 of the *Native Vegetation Act 1991*.

6. Use of cleared vegetation

Native vegetation authorised for clearance under a Decision Notification may be a useful resource, as a source of seed for local revegetation projects, for woodcraft purposes or providing hollows for relocation. Please consider notifying any local seed collection groups to offer them the opportunity of collecting seed at the time of clearance, and making any timber from the cleared trees available for woodcraft or hollow relocation.

DECISION NOTIFICATION ACKNOWLEDGEMENT		
Application Number: 2022/3041/010-a		
The applicant, and all parties to the decision, have received a copy of the Decision Notification (decision date 19/04/2022) are fully aware and will comply with the decision and all the attached conditions.		
Name of applicant:		
Signature of applicant or seal of Company and authorised signatory, including the signature of any other parties to the decision:		
Date :		

Note: Sign and return this form by post or email to:

Send to: Native Vegetation Branch C/o Department for Environment and Water GPO Box 1047 Adelaide SA 5001

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DECISION PLAN (1 of 1)

TO FORM PART OF THE DECISION OF THE NATIVE VEGETATION COUNCIL

APPLICATION NO. 2022/3041/010-a District Council of Goyder

HUNDREDS of BUNDEY

Multiple parcels/titles - refer Appendix 6 of the EIS and Section 6 of the EIS Response Document. Easement will be aquired.

	Conditional Consent - other clearance
	IBRA Associations
	Significant Environmental Areas
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///	NPWSA Reserves
	Local Government Areas
	Hundreds

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DECISION NOTIFICATION Native Vegetation Regulations 2017

Application Number: 2022/3041/010-b

To: Alecia Wright ElectraNet Pty Ltd PO Box 7096 Adelaide SA 5000

Date Received; 16/2/2022 Date Registered: 16/2/2022

Applicant	ElectraNet Pty Ltd
Landholder	Various ownerships
Purpose of application	Clearance of native vegetation for the construction of a 205 km high voltage
	electricity transmission interconnector.
Description of native	336.01 ha of native vegetation consisting of various vegetation
vegetation under application	communities, predominately Mallee and Chenopod Shrublands.
Location of the application	Various titles (refer to Appendix F of the EIS and Section 6 of the EIS
	Response Document)

Decision

The Native Vegetation Council has consider your application in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 12, Schedule 1; Clause 27 of the Native Vegetation Regulations 2017.

In respect of the application, you are informed that the Native Vegetation Council:

1. **Grants consent** to the clearance of 336.01 ha of native vegetation in the area shown on the attached Decision Plan(s) 2022/3041/010 for the purpose of construction of a 205 km high voltage electricity transmission interconnector from the Robertstown substation to the SA/NSW border.

Reason for Decision:

The clearance of native vegetation meets the requirements of Native Vegetation Regulation 12, Schedule 1; Clause 27.

Conditions of approval

This approval is subject to the conditions specified below. These conditions have been imposed to ensure that the impacts on native vegetation and biodiversity from approved clearance is adequately minimised and mitigated;

- 1. Clearance to be confined to areas as described in the Data Report titles "Project EnergyConnect (Robertstown to SA / NSW border)" prepared by Dr Sonia Croft, Dr Zeta Bull (Jacobs), and Stephen Milne (JBS&G) dated February 2022 and as delineated in attached Regulation Decision Plan 1 to 3;
- 2. Clearance is undertaken in accordance with the approval granted under Section 48 of the Development Act 1993 on 6 January 2022.
- 3. The Significant Environmental Benefit requirement (equivalent to 20,215.87 SEB points) is to be achieved by making a payment into the Native Vegetation Fund of \$4,020,305.17 (\$3,810,715.80 for clearance GST exclusive and \$209,589.37 for the administration fee GST inclusive) in four staged payments of \$1,005,076.29 (including \$952,678.95 for

clearance and \$52,397.34 for the administration fee) as follows:

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- 25% of the total SEB payment prior to commencement.
- A further 25% of the total payment prior to 25% of the total permitted vegetation clearance having occurred.
- A further 25% of the total payment prior to 50% of the total permitted vegetation clearance having occurred.
- The final 25% of the total payment prior to 75% of the total permitted vegetation clearance having occurred.

The first invoice will be sent once the attached form 'Decision Notification acknowledgement' form is signed and returned. Subsequent invoices will be sent when the applicant provides notification that the next percent clearance milestone is being approached.

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Signature	Afterette
Name	Vaughan Levitzke PSM
Position	CHAIR, NATIVE VEGETATION ASSESSMENT PANEL
Date	19 April 2022 (Decision Date)

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Signature of applicant or seal of Company and authorised signatory, including the signature of any other parties to the decision:		
Date :		

Note: Sign and return this form by post or email to:

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DECISION PLAN (1 of 3)

TO FORM PART OF THE DECISION OF THE NATIVE VEGETATION COUNCIL

APPLICATION NO. 2022/3041/010-b Multiple Councils including Goyder, Mid Murray, Loxton Waikerie, Renmark Paringa in addition to **Pastoral and Riverland Unincorporated Areas**

HUNDREDS of BRIGHT, BUNDEY, MAUDE, LINDLEY, STUART, MAKARANKA POOGINOOK, EBA (AND A SMALL AREA OUT OF HUNDREDS)

Multiple parcels/titles - refer Appendix 6 of the EIS and Section 6 of the EIS Response Document. Easement will be aquired.

Conditional Consent - route alignment and pipelines
IBRA Associations
Significant Environmental Areas
Heritage Agreements
NPWSA Reserves
Local Government Areas
Hundreds
Major Roads

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APPLICATION NO. 2022/3041/010-b Multiple Councils including Goyder, Mid Murray, Loxton Waikerie, Renmark Paringa in addition to **Pastoral and Riverland Unincorporated Areas**

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APPLICATION NO. 2022/3041/010-b Multiple Councils including Goyder, Mid Murray, Loxton Waikerie, Renmark Paringa in addition to Pastoral and Riverland Unincorporated Areas

HUNDREDS of BRIGHT, BUNDEY, MAUDE, LINDLEY, STUART, MAKARANKA POOGINOOK, EBA (AND A SMALL AREA OUT OF HUNDREDS)

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