Project update – July and August 2026

Steel River East Battery Energy Storage System

Dear Neighbour,

We're writing to let you know that construction of Steel River East Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) will commence in the coming weeks.

Steel River East BESS is located at 1 McIntosh Drive, Mayfield West. PLUS Grid Storage has engaged Southern Cross Electrical Engineering (SCEE) to manage construction of the project, which is expected to be complete by late 2027.

Site establishment works began in June 2026. Construction will begin in late July. The first stage of construction involves civil, structural, mechanical and electrical works to prepare the site to receive the containerised battery units.

Works summary – July and August 2026

Type of works	The work involves: • Vegetation clearing • Earthworks • Retaining wall construction
When	Works will take place during standard construction hours: • 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday • 8am to 1pm Saturday
Where	Please refer to the project map below

What will this mean for you?

- You may notice increased traffic in the area, including heavy vehicles and machinery. All vehicles will travel to site using Steel River Boulevard and McIntosh Drive. Traffic control will be in place where needed, to ensure the safety of both workers and the community.

  On-site parking will be provided for construction workers, to limit impacts on surrounding businesses.

- The vegetation clearing and earthworks will generate temporary noise. We will minimise this as much as possible.

- Some dust may also be generated during construction. Measures will be put in place to control dust on site, such as covering stockpiles, minimising the amount of exposed soil, and using a water cart where necessary.

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- There is no planned interruption of power supply to nearby businesses during construction.

About Steel River East BESS

Steel River East BESS will store up to 200 megawatts (MW) of electricity for up to two hours. This stored energy can be released when demand for electricity is high, helping to support the stability and reliability of the local electricity network as more renewable energy is connected.

The project is expected to be operational in late 2027.

Contact us

If you have any questions about this project update, would like to receive future updates electronically, or would like further information about the project, please contact us.

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Project map



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