

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Hello Community Members,

Thanks you for your continued interest in Pottinger Energy Park, please take a look at our recent media release and updates below.

Pottinger Energy Park's \$515,000 REZ Success Fund supporting critical projects for Riverina community and First Nations groups

The proposed Pottinger Energy Park being jointly developed by Someva Renewables and AGL Energy in NSW's Riverina region has begun distributing \$515,000 in funding to local community and First Nations groups across Hay, Deniliquin and the Riverina.

The funding, from Pottinger Energy Park's Renewable Energy Zone (REZ) Success Fund, is part of a commitment by Someva Renewables and AGL Energy to ensure Pottinger Energy Park delivers substantial financial and social benefits to the region.

The funding will support initiatives that respond to and address priorities identified by the local community during Pottinger Energy Park's consultation and design phase. These include programs ranging from education and training, cancer support, youth mental health, bushfire response, childcare, sport and recreation, environmental and First Nations knowledge sharing, ranger, renewable energy and business support programs.

Jamie Chivers, Managing Director of Someva Renewables said: "From the outset, Pottinger Energy Park has been about working with the local community to ensure the benefits of renewable energy are shared throughout the region. The distribution of Pottinger Energy Park's REZ Success Fund is a demonstration of this commitment in action.

"A large proportion of the Pottinger Energy Park REZ Success Fund has already been used by recipients to purchase much needed equipment, design and run new training programs and provide critical health and mental health support to local residents. We're looking forward to continuing to distribute these funds in the months ahead to support some of the region's most impactful community groups and initiatives."

AGL Senior Manager, Stakeholder Engagement NSW, Rob Cooper said: "Today's announcement shows Pottinger Energy Park is delivering real benefits for Riverina communities even before the first turbine is operational. The REZ Success Fund reflects our belief that renewable energy projects work best when they're shaped in partnership with local communities. The range of organisations receiving funding demonstrates the strength of that partnership and the positive role the project is already playing across the region."

Pottinger Energy Park has received approval for the development of up to 1,300 megawatts (MW) of renewable energy via the construction of 247 wind turbines – supported by a battery of up to 500 MW / 2000 MWh. The initial phase of development, pending a final investment decision, is expected to begin in late 2026. At its peak, Pottinger Energy Park could deliver up to 900 construction jobs and 55 ongoing operational roles.

The Pottinger Energy Park REZ Success Fund is part of the Pottinger Energy Park Community Benefits Program which will deliver approximately \$26 million in direct support to the community over the next 30 years. In addition, the Pottinger Energy Park will deliver tens of millions of dollars in indirect benefits through new job and local business opportunities.

This funding is in addition to EnergyCo's \$60 million Community and Employment Benefit Program announced by Energy Minister Penny Sharpe earlier this month. **Learn more in our [media release](#).**



COMMUNITY FUNDING RECIPIENTS

Pottinger Energy Park is proud to support a range of local organisations and community initiatives. The funding is part of our commitment to ensure the project delivers benefits to the region.

Groups to receive funding during pre-construction include: Boooroban Sporting & Social Club, Country University Centre Southern Riverina, Deniliquin Can Assist, Deniliquin Local Aboriginal Land Council, Giz a Break, Hay Children's Services, Hay Inc., NSW Rural Fire Service (Mid-Murray and MIA districts), River Region Early Education and Yarkuwa Indigenous Knowledge Centre. Keep an eye on the project website where these plans will be made public.

Learn more [Pottinger Project Updates](#)



COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

The Community Consultative Committee (CCC) held its second meeting earlier this month in Hay. It was a great opportunity for our project team to provide an update on our Modification to the proposed transport route and accommodation camp and hear the views of community members.

We also welcomed Sandra Tassel from TAFE NSW who has joined the Committee with a keen focus on skills and training outcomes for the Project.

The CCC meets every quarter and you can reach out to members of the group and read the meeting minutes on our website. We're looking forward to continuing

the conversation at the next CCC meeting, which will be held in August.

Learn more [Community Consultative Committee](#)



LOCAL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

Twenty-five work packages are available including a call for businesses specialising in earthworks, concreting, fencing, construction, electrical services, cleaning, catering and transport services.

Our commitments to the South West REZ include regional development and local supply chain targets, and we would like to see as many local businesses involved as possible as the project progresses.

Businesses can complete an expression of interest via the ICN Gateway portal by the end of August 2026.

[Register your Business](#)

CONTACT US

Have a question for the project team? Email us at community@someva.com.au, and we'll share updates in future updates and newsletters. If you would like to contact the team, please reach out and you can also learn more about the project on our [website](#).

Kind regards,
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Someva Renewables proudly acknowledges that Pottinger Energy Park is located on the lands of the Wiradjuri and Nari Nari people. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging and value working with First Nations groups on renewable energy projects.

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