



New South Wales

# Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Victoria to New South Wales Interconnector West Project) Order 2024

under the

Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979

I, the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, make the following order under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, sections 5.12(4) and 5.13.

Dated 19 June 2024.

PAUL SCULLY, MP  
Minister for Planning and Public Spaces

## Explanatory note

The object of this order is to declare development for the purposes of the Victoria to New South Wales Interconnector West Project to be State significant infrastructure and critical State significant infrastructure.

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### **1 Name of order**

This order is the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Victoria to New South Wales Interconnector West Project) Order 2024*.

### **2 Commencement**

This order commences on the day on which it is published on the NSW legislation website.

## Schedule 1 Amendment of State Environmental Planning Policy (Planning Systems) 2021

### Schedule 5 Critical State significant infrastructure

Insert at the end of the schedule, with appropriate section numbering—

#### Victoria to New South Wales Interconnector West Project

- (1) Development for the purposes of the Victoria to New South Wales Interconnector West Project on land in the City of Wagga Wagga, Edward River, Murray River and Murrumbidgee local government areas, including the following—
  - (a) the construction and operation of high voltage 500kV transmission infrastructure between Dinawan Substation and the border between New South Wales and Victoria,
  - (b) the construction and operation of electrical substations, switching stations and associated infrastructure,
  - (c) the construction and operation of electricity transmission line infrastructure,
  - (d) ancillary development, including the following—
    - (i) the carrying out of works to upgrade or augment transmission lines and substation infrastructure,
    - (ii) the installation and operation of communication infrastructure and facilities, excluding microwave technology,
    - (iii) the installation and operation of construction accommodation, compounds and power supplies,
    - (iv) the installation and operation of construction maintenance sites including brake and winch sites, construction crane pads, helicopter landing pads and temporary concrete batching plants,
    - (v) the construction, operation and upgrade of access tracks and roads.
- (2) In this section—

**development** does not include the following—

  - (a) surveys, sampling, environmental investigations, geotechnical borehole drilling, test drilling, test excavations or other tests or investigations,
  - (b) the construction of temporary access tracks and temporary site facilities to allow for the carrying out of tests or investigations described in paragraph (a),
  - (c) minor works associated with the upgrade of existing access tracks,
  - (d) minor works associated with existing electricity transmission infrastructure and utilities infrastructure.