

Yanco Battery Energy Storage System (BESS)

Community Update | June 2026

An update from the Yanco BESS project team

Since the ACEnergy team last connected with the Yanco community, the project has taken some important steps forward. We wanted to share where things are at, and what you may start to notice next.

The Yanco BESS is an approved 250 MW (1,100 MWh) battery energy storage project, located around 1km south-west of Yanco. The project will connect into the adjacent Yanco substation and help strengthen the local electricity network, support more renewable energy, and contribute to more stable power prices across the Riverina.

Project snapshot



Capacity
250 MW (1,100 MWh)



Location
Yanco, NSW



Connection
Yanco Substation



Environment
~365,000 tonnes of CO₂ avoided each year

Looking back – what we’ve heard and what’s happened so far

Since starting our engagement program in early 2023, we’ve heard strong support for both the project and the broader transition to renewable energy, alongside a clear desire to understand what it means for Yanco and surrounding communities. You’ve also raised important questions, particularly around decommissioning and recycling, and how the project will deliver lasting value for the local area.

Your feedback has played an important role in shaping our approach and directly influenced the project’s **\$3 million Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) with Leeton Shire Council**, which will deliver meaningful benefits to the local community.

Since development began, the project has reached several important milestones, including **development approval** in October 2025, and development modification approval in May 2026. These approvals confirm the project meets all planning and environmental requirements.

The project is now in detailed design as we prepare for the next stage of on-site activity (more on this on the next page).

We’ll continue to keep you informed as the project progresses, including around long-term outcomes, environmental responsibility, and ensuring your community sees real and lasting benefits.

What's coming up

As we move toward financial close - the key step before construction begins - we're continuing to progress the project through early works.

Early works are smaller, preliminary activities that help prepare the site for construction. They're an important step in making sure everything is in place before the project moves into full construction.

Over the coming period, activities may include:

- Temporary site establishment
- Installation of fencing
- Construction of minor access roads
- Road condition (dilapidation) surveys

These works will take place during standard working hours (7am to 6pm, Monday to Friday; 8am to 1pm on Saturdays). We'll take steps to minimise disruption to nearby residents wherever possible.

We'll continue to keep the community updated as we move closer to construction and into the next phase of the project.

Intersection Upgrade - Houghton Road & Irrigation Way

As part of these early works, we plan to upgrade the intersection of Houghton Road and Irrigation Way. We understand this is an important local route and will work carefully to manage impacts to road users and the community. More detailed information will be shared closer to the works, including:

- What the upgrade will involve
- Timing and duration
- Any temporary traffic changes
- What the intersection will look like once complete

Delivery Partner

ACEnergy has partnered with ACLE, our construction delivery partner for the Yanco BESS. ACLE brings experience in building and delivering energy infrastructure projects and will be responsible for constructing and commissioning the project. Over the coming months, you may see the ACLE team undertaking works on and around the project site.

Staying connected

As the project progresses, we'll continue to share updates at key moments, as well as being available for conversations along the way.

If you have any questions or would like to get in touch, please contact us via:

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Thanks again for your time, input, and ongoing interest in the project.