



# Inland Rail Pty Ltd.

## Illabo to Stockinbingal Community Consultative Committee (CCC)

Date: Thursday 19 October 2023

Time: 1.00pm to 3.00pm

Venue: Cootamundra Library



# Acknowledgement of Country

Inland Rail acknowledges the Traditional custodians of the land on which we work, and pays our respects to Elders past and present.

*Journey* artwork created by Elenore Binge, proud Goomeroi/Kamilaroi woman

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# Presentation Overview

## Project Update

- Melvyn Maylin – Director Program Delivery A2P

## Environmental Impact Statement Update

- Kirsten Velthuis – I2S Senior Environmental Advisor

## Property Acquisition Update

- Grant Johnson – I2S Stakeholder Engagement Lead

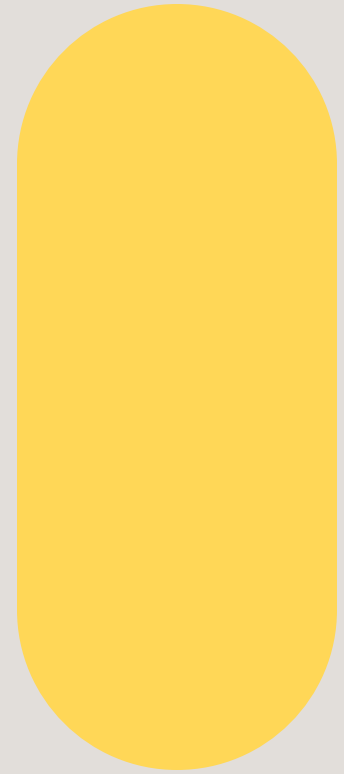
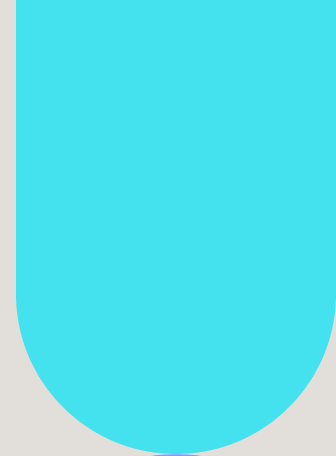
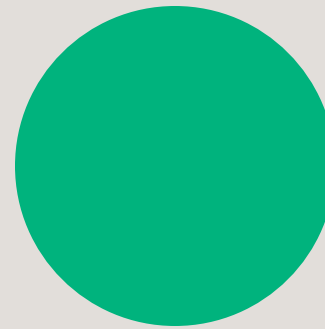
## Stakeholder Engagement Update

- Grant Johnson – I2S Stakeholder Engagement Lead

## Questions

# Illabo to Stockinbingal Project Update

Melvyn Maylin  
Project Director





# Independent Review of Inland Rail

- Dr Kerry Schott AO was appointed by Australian Government in October 2022 to undertake an Independent Review of Inland Rail
- The Australian Government released the Review findings on 6 April 2023 and agreed to the 19 recommendations in full or in principle
- In line with the Government response to Dr Schott's review, Inland Rail Pty Ltd was established as a subsidiary of ARTC with its own board to govern the delivery of the Inland Rail project effective 1 July 2023
- On 7 July 2023, the Government announced the Chair, Board members and interim Statement of Expectations outlining the objectives and expectations for ARTC the future delivery of Inland Rail.





# Implications for Illabo to Stockinbingal

- Prioritise construction south of Parkes
  - Funded
- Route confirmed

# Project Update

## Activity since July 2022 CCC meeting:

### 1. I2S Environmental Impact Statement Exhibition (14 September to 26 October 2022)

- Community drop-in sessions held in Junee, Stockinbingal and Cootamundra
- 29 submissions were made (included agencies and community submissions)

### 2. Design and Construct Tender

- 3 tenderers (JH, Martinus/BMD and RTJV)
- Tender closed 19<sup>th</sup> September
- EIS approval scheduled for February 2024
- Cadastral survey completed
- Land Acquisition scheduled for completion May 2024
- Contract award scheduled May 2024
- Further investigations (Geotechnical and ETV)
- Further biodiversity surveys planned October 2023

# What Next

ACTIVITY	DATE
Property Acquisition Discussions	Ongoing
Evaluation of Contractor Tenders	Ongoing
Response to EIS Submissions Report*	November 2023
EIS Approval*	February 2024
EPBC Approval**	May 2024
Award Design and Construct (D&C) Contract***	May 2024
Detailed Design	May 2024 – March 2025
Secondary Approvals	May 2024 – March 2025
Early Works Construction Start	August 2024

\*Dates determined by DPE

\*\*Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act – Approval by Federal Minister for Environment

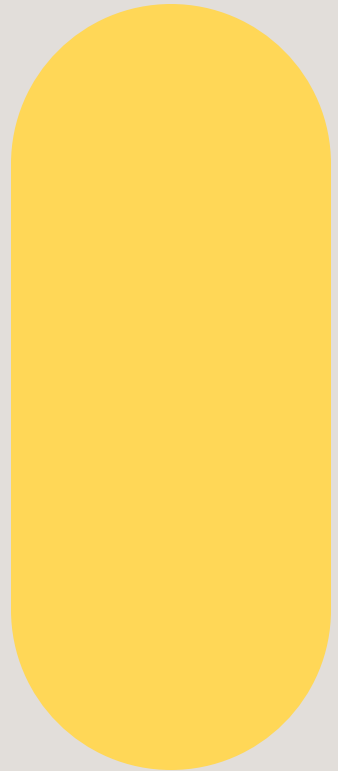
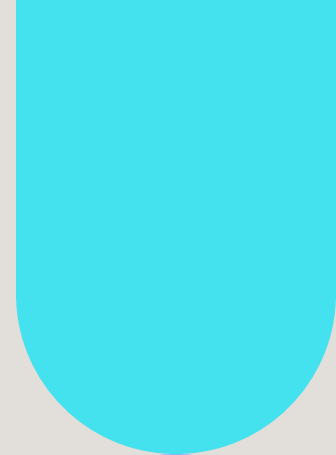
\*\*\*Subject to EIS and EPBC approval and property acquisition



# Illabo to Stockinbingal Environmental Impact Statement Update

Kirsten Velthuis

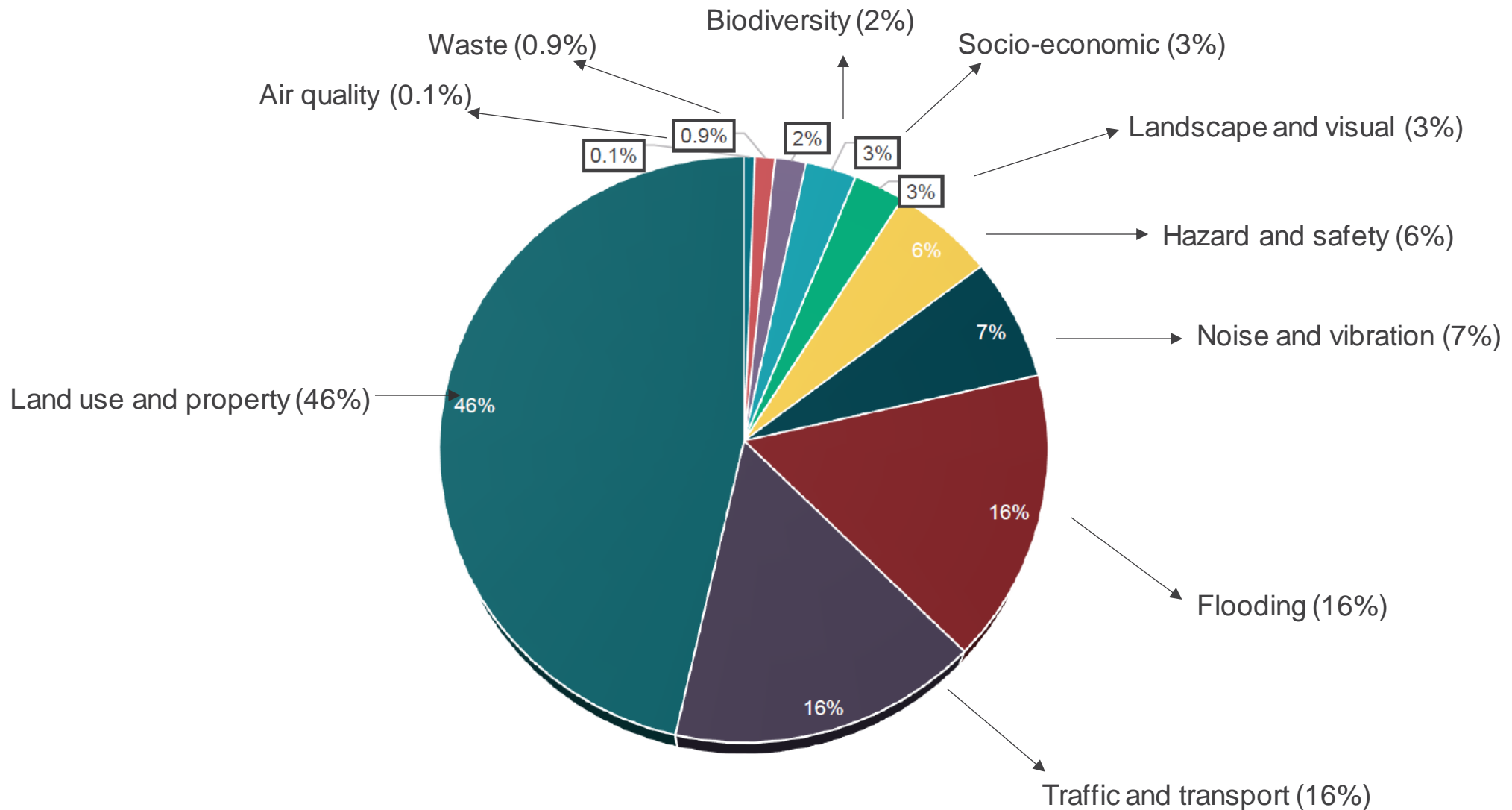
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# EIS Submissions Received

Category	Total
Members of the public	12
Organisations (community groups & business)	2
Public authorities	3
NSW government departments and agencies	12
Total	29

# Issues raised – members of the public





# Key issues – authorities and agencies

- Property and land use
- Hydrology and flooding
- Traffic and transport
- Noise and vibration
- Biodiversity
- Visual and landscape character

# Changes since EIS exhibition

- Proposal footprint changes in response to feedback in EIS submissions; consultation with landowners and other stakeholders; and design refinements.
  - Key changes:
    - Relocation of two compounds in response to landowner feedback
    - Improved property access and improved road user safety
    - Increased road seal length at Old Sydney Rd level crossing
    - Borrow pit no longer proposed
    - Troy Street no longer proposed as a detour during construction
    - Reduced impacts to existing farmland

The revised footprint is 31.12 ha smaller than the footprint in EIS

# Additional investigations

- Updated Biodiversity Development Assessment Report
  - Additional biodiversity survey (summer and spring 2023)
  - Review and refine mapping of biodiversity features
  - Assess impact of proposed footprint changes
  - Include preliminary fauna connectivity strategy
  - Recalculate biodiversity credit obligation



# Additional investigations

- Updated Flood and Hydrology Impact Assessment Report
  - Additional hydrology survey of Stockinbingal area
  - Update flood model with survey outcomes
  - Review flood and hydrology impacts and mitigation measures
  - Verify compliance with the intentions of the Stockinbingal Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan (2002)
  - Assess impacts of proposed footprint changes

# Other assessments / clarifications

## Other updates and assessments:

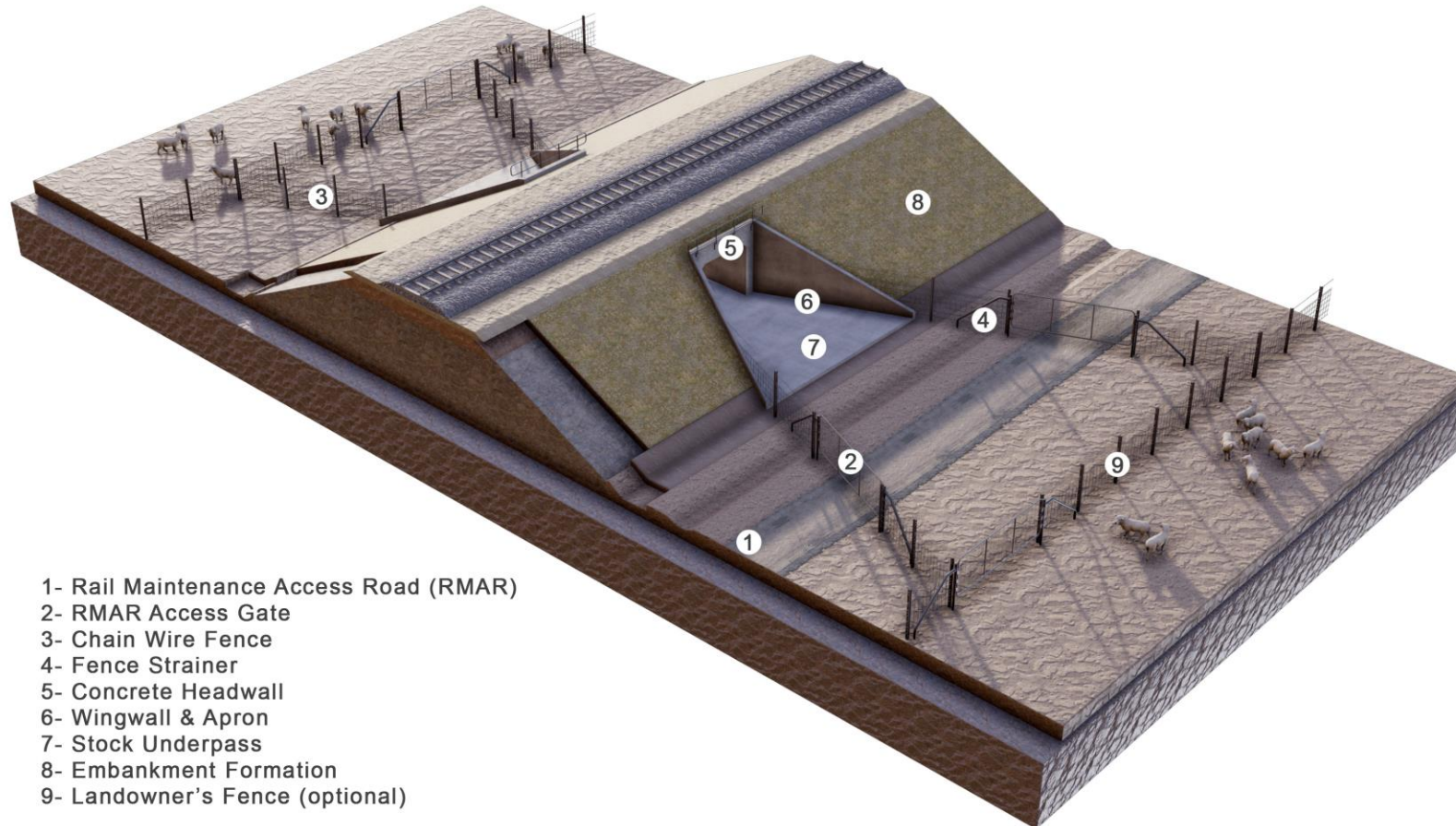
- Impact assessment of the proposed footprint changes
- Land use conflict risk assessment of workforce accommodation camp
- Supplementary landscape character & visual impact assessment
- Noise and vibration assessment update

## Clarification of property severance and connectivity measures, incl

- Stock underpasses
- Private level crossings

# Property connectivity measures

Indicative layout of stock underpass

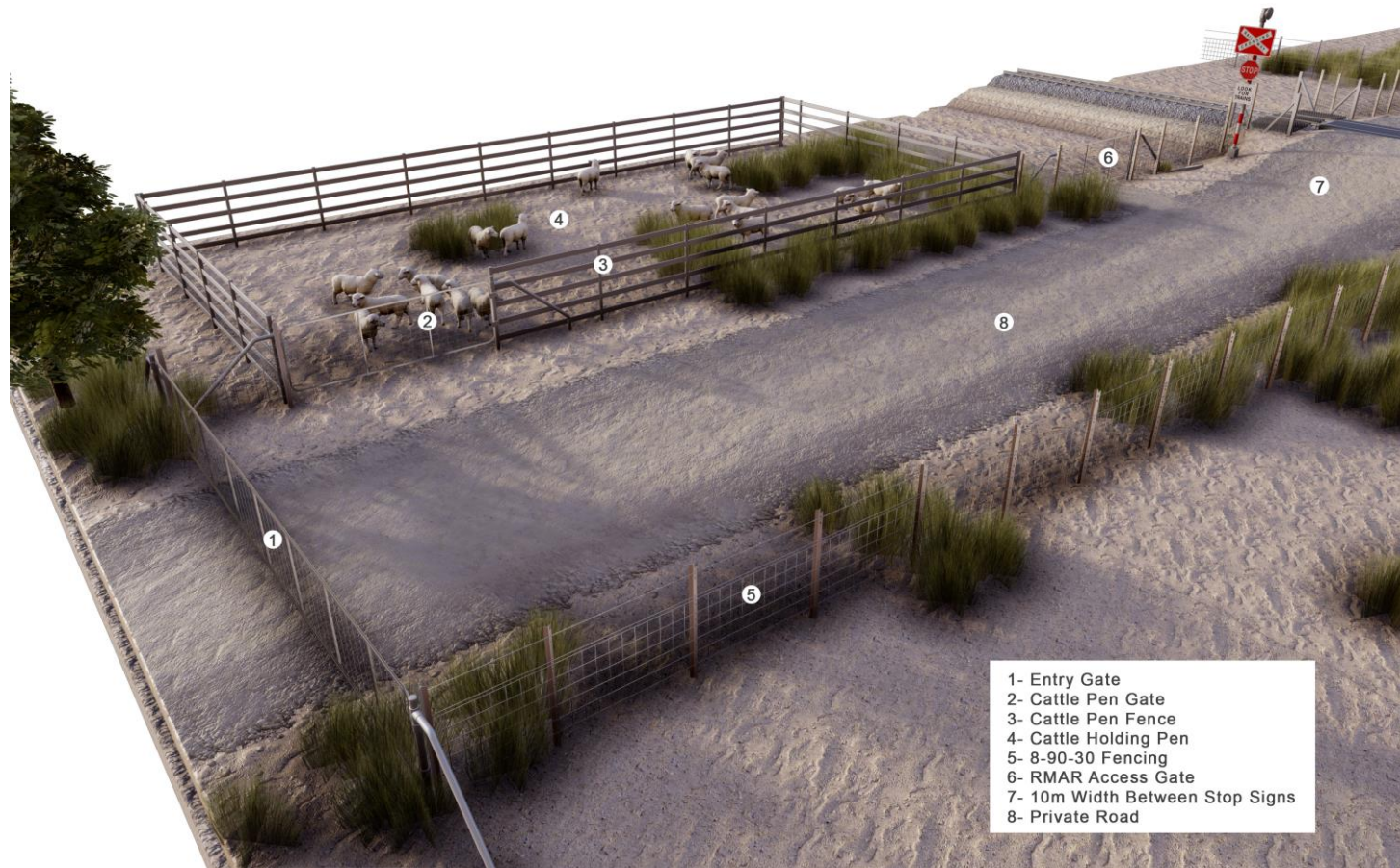


- 1- Rail Maintenance Access Road (RMAR)
- 2- RMAR Access Gate
- 3- Chain Wire Fence
- 4- Fence Strainer
- 5- Concrete Headwall
- 6- Wingwall & Apron
- 7- Stock Underpass
- 8- Embankment Formation
- 9- Landowner's Fence (optional)



# Property connectivity measures

Indicative layout of private level crossing with stock holding pen

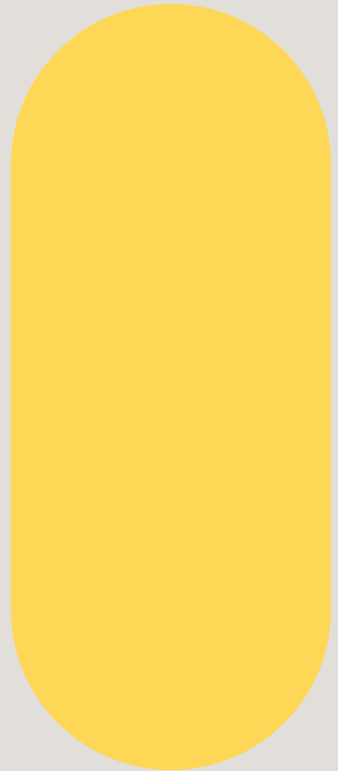
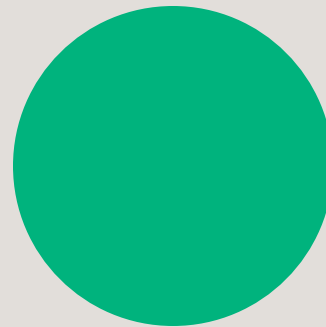




# Illabo to Stockinbingal Stakeholder Engagement Update

Grant Johnson

I2S Stakeholder Engagement Lead



# Property Acquisition Update

- Primary focus on engaging with owners and tenants to reach negotiated outcomes in accordance with the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 NSW*
- 25 properties, 3 acquired, 5 in-principal agreements, remaining in negotiation
- Progressing towards commencement of compulsory acquisition process in consultation with TfNSW
- Issue of Proposed Acquisition Notice (PAN) commences a 90-day compulsory acquisition process (1<sup>st</sup> Tranche November)
- Pre-PAN letter first with 21-day notification period then PAN issued (1<sup>st</sup> Tranche October)
- Negotiations continue throughout the PAN period and priority remains to attempt to resolve all matters commercially

# Stakeholder Engagement Update

## Completed engagement activities since July 2022:

- Ongoing property acquisition discussions with landowners
- Meet the Shortlisted Contractor events – Junee and Cootamundra (approx. 90 attended over both events)
- Cadastral survey
- Engagement with Councils and agencies on responses to EIS submissions
- Sponsorship and Donations
- Supplier Capability Development Program



# Engagement and Consultation Next Steps

- Ongoing engagement with landowners (property acquisition and investigations)
- Ongoing engagement with Councils and key stakeholder
- Supplier Capability Development Program ongoing
- Sponsorships and Donations Program – ongoing





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