



# Glorit solar farm

We're preparing to start construction on the Glorit solar farm – a fully consented renewable energy project featuring a 174MWdc solar farm. This project represents a significant investment in the region's renewable energy future, delivering local economic opportunities while contributing to New Zealand's transition to low-carbon energy.

Following the granting of all resource consents late last year, the project team has been refining the site design and preparing the plans needed to commence construction. This work has included finalising site access design, scheduling the first stage of construction, and continuing discussions with local stakeholders to ensure works are managed safely and in consideration of the surrounding community.

Initial activities will focus on upgrades to local infrastructure, beginning with improvements to the Omaumau Road / State Highway 16 intersection. These improvements will allow construction vehicles to enter and exit the site safely while maintaining the safety of all other road users. Subsequent stages will include early works such as site establishment, vegetation management, and commencement of substation construction, before progressing to the installation of the solar farm's main components.

This project update provides an overview of the expected construction timeline, the first set of planned works, and how you can stay informed and connected with the project team as activities progress.

## KEY PROJECT UPDATES

- **April 2026:** Site access and road upgrades to enable access into the site will commence (subject to design approvals).
- **April 2026:** Announcement of Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) contracting team and issuance of the formal notice to proceed with construction.
- **Mid-2026:** Onsite early works which will include vegetation clearance, establishment of erosion and sediment control measures, earthworks and surveying, followed by establishment of site offices and amenities and internal roads.
- **Mid-2026:** Meet Us & The Contractor Event, including opportunities to discuss how to be involved in the project as a sub-contractor, supplier or labourer.
- **Late 2026:** Construction activities to prepare for the placement of solar infrastructure and delivery of key components.

## Stay in touch with us

If you're interested in knowing more about the project or would like to speak with the team, please reach out to us on [0800 225 513](tel:0800225513) or email us at [gloritproject@lightsourcebp.com](mailto:gloritproject@lightsourcebp.com).

You can also keep informed through the project's website at [lightsourcebp.com/au/project/glorit-solar](https://lightsourcebp.com/au/project/glorit-solar).

**SOLAR FARM CONSTRUCTION  
- WHAT TO EXPECT**

**Site access and road upgrades**

The first stage of constructing the solar farm will involve upgrading the Omaumau Road / State Highway 16 intersection to safely accommodate construction traffic and deliveries, while protecting the safety of all road users and minimising broader traffic impacts.

Planned improvements include:

- Widening the northbound shoulder of State Highway 16.
- Relocating existing power poles, signage and other roadside infrastructure.

These works will take place over approximately **five months**, with completion anticipated by **September 2026**. Traffic management measures, including reduced speed limits and periodic one-way controls, will be in place throughout.

We will keep the community informed about scheduling, noting that timing may be affected, and these works delayed, by factors such as weather, secondary permitting, and crew availability. We appreciate your understanding while these important upgrades are carried out.

**EARLY WORKS**

Before major construction can begin, several important site preparation activities will take place. These works are scheduled to commence from **mid-2026** and will include:

- **Site surveying** to clearly demarcate construction and non-construction areas.
- **Site preparation** including the installation of erosion and sediment control measures and required vegetation clearance.
- **Site establishment** including perimeter fencing, the creation of internal access roads and laydown areas, on-site office and amenities area.

During this stage, you'll notice an increase in construction vehicles and site activity. We will provide more information and detail about the works during this stage closer to the time.

**MAIN CONSTRUCTION WORKS, COMPONENT DELIVERIES AND SUBSTATION CONSTRUCTION**

Towards the **end of 2026**, the main construction phase of the solar farm will begin. This stage marks the transition from site preparation to large-scale installation of core infrastructure and will involve:

- **Bulk earthworks** – required as part of the remaining site preparation, and for the stopbank upgrade.
- **Piling works** – driving piles into the ground to provide the foundation for the solar panel arrays.
- **Solar panel installation** – mounting panels on the support structures and connecting them to the electrical system.
- **Substation construction** – start building the substation and related electrical infrastructure required to connect the solar farm to the grid.

Regular deliveries of components such as solar panels, inverters, transformers, cabling, and structural materials will occur during this period. These will be scheduled carefully, with traffic management measures in place to minimise community disruption.

The main construction works will occur over a two-year period and will be the most visible phase of the project, with increased activity on site, including the use of cranes, piling rigs, and other large machinery. This stage will lay the foundation for final commissioning and testing, before the solar farm begins supplying renewable energy to the grid.

**PRINCIPAL CONTRACTING PARTNER TO BE ANNOUNCED SHORTLY**

Our Principal Contracting Partner will be announced shortly, and they will work closely with us to ensure ongoing, transparent communication with the local community throughout the project.

They will be responsible for delivering all construction works on the solar farm site and will become your primary point of contact if you are interested in sub-contracting opportunities, providing local goods and services, or joining the project as part of the labour force.

**You can register your interest now** by scanning the QR code:

or by emailing us at [gloritproject@lightsourcebp.com](mailto:gloritproject@lightsourcebp.com)



**COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND AND GRANTS**

The Glorit solar farm will include a Community Benefit Fund to help deliver long-term positive outcomes for the local area. The fund will support initiatives such as community facility upgrades, environmental conservation, skills and training programs, and activities that promote health and wellbeing.

We are currently finalising the governance and administration of the fund, including how applications will be assessed and awarded. Further details, including opening dates and eligibility criteria, will be shared in future updates.

If you have any ideas or suggestions for projects the Community Benefit Fund could support, we'd like to hear from you. Please share your thoughts by emailing [gloritsolarproject@lightsourcebp.com](mailto:gloritsolarproject@lightsourcebp.com).



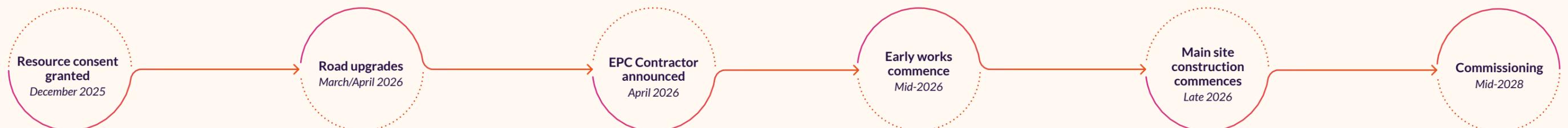
**HOW WE'LL KEEP YOU INFORMED AND UPDATED ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENING**

We're committed to keeping you informed about what's happening on the project, our expected timeframes, and **how you can contact us if you have questions, concerns, or wish to make a complaint**.

- **Keeping You Informed slips** – These postcard-sized notices will provide key details and timing of important works, such as road upgrades, activities that may cause noise, and other high-impact works.
- **Regular project updates** – Like this one, these updates will provide more detailed information about the project, what's coming up, and an overview of any community feedback received. They will also include timely updates about our Community Benefit Fund and this will cover application opening dates and announcements of successful recipients.
- **Lightsource bp project website** – You will find copies of all project updates, general information and contact details.
- **Lightsource bp's toll-free number and project email address** – You can contact our team directly via the details below, until new communication channels are introduced by our EPC Contractor in April.

**PROJECT TIMELINE**

Engagement with key stakeholders and other interested parties



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