

Media Release

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Merriwa powerline replacement

Upgrades to the electricity network around Merriwa, Baerami and Sandy Hollow are continuing this weekend with the replacement of a section of high voltage powerlines which supply Merriwa zone substation.

The 33,000 volt powerlines run between Denman and Merriwa and were installed in the 1960s.

The local network has performed well over the years, but it is now time for it to be replaced to help maintain a safe and reliable power supply to 1400 home and business connections.

The powerline replacement is part of ongoing work which is happening in stages to minimise disruption to residents.

To do this work safely, crews must interrupt the power supply to local homes and business.

It is expected there will be six interruptions to the power supply over the next 12 months as the work progresses.

The first interruption is scheduled for Sunday, 26 June 2016 between 8.30am and 4pm and will affect homes and businesses west of Sandy Hollow, mainly around Gungal, Giants Creek, Worondi, Merriwa, Coulsons Creek, Flags Road, Idaville, Bow and Flight Springs. Residents have been notified via a letter box drop.

Crews will be working on the section of powerlines running between Hollydene and Bylong Valley Road, and traffic management will be in place.

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