

Appendix 1 **Parkes – Heritage Sites**

The development will result in development of a large proportion of the 240 ha property where infrastructure will be developed, and along the proposed power line easement. The impact is likely to be most extensive in relatively discrete areas where earthworks occur (pile driving, track construction, footings for inverters, site buildings and fencing). This would involve the removal, breakage or displacement of artefacts. This is considered a direct impact on the Aboriginal objects by the development.

The impact to the scientific values if the artefacts were to be impacted by the current proposal is considered low however. The isolated artefacts have little research value apart from what has already been gained from the information obtained during site investigations. This information relates more to the presence of the artefacts and in the development of Aboriginal site modelling, which has largely now been realised by the recording.

The assessment has identified that the development can proceed with no additional archaeological investigations. No areas of potential archaeological deposits have been identified and the significance of the Aboriginal heritage objects within the proposal site have been assessed as low.

As the proposed solar farm is classified as State Significant Development under the EP&A Act, a Section 90 permit under the NPW Act is not required, and as such, an AHIP is not required to impact the identified Aboriginal objects. Mitigation of construction impacts would centre on salvage of known sites, in accordance with a Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP) and with involvement from registered stakeholders.

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- Two sites PIFI1 and PIFI2 are located within the Pat Meredith Drive Road Reserve.
 - PIFI: Easting 600000 Northing 6336400
 - PIFI2: Easting: 600053 Northing 6336084
- The locations of the remaining seven sites within the development area have been provided by NGH Environmental as a KML file.
- All sites must have a 20m buffer zone applied (fencing and signage) until such time as the artefacts are relocated in accordance with DA condition 21.
- All employees will be made aware of the location of the sites through site inductions, pre-starts and toolbox talks.
- In the unlikely event that human remains are discovered during the construction, all work must cease. OEH, the local police and Peak Hill LALC (PARKES) should be notified. Further assessment would be undertaken to determine if the remains were Aboriginal or non-Aboriginal. Chance Finds Protocol (Appendix 5) must be followed.



Figure 1: Heritage sites – Parkes (Refer to Figure 2 for reference to proposed site)

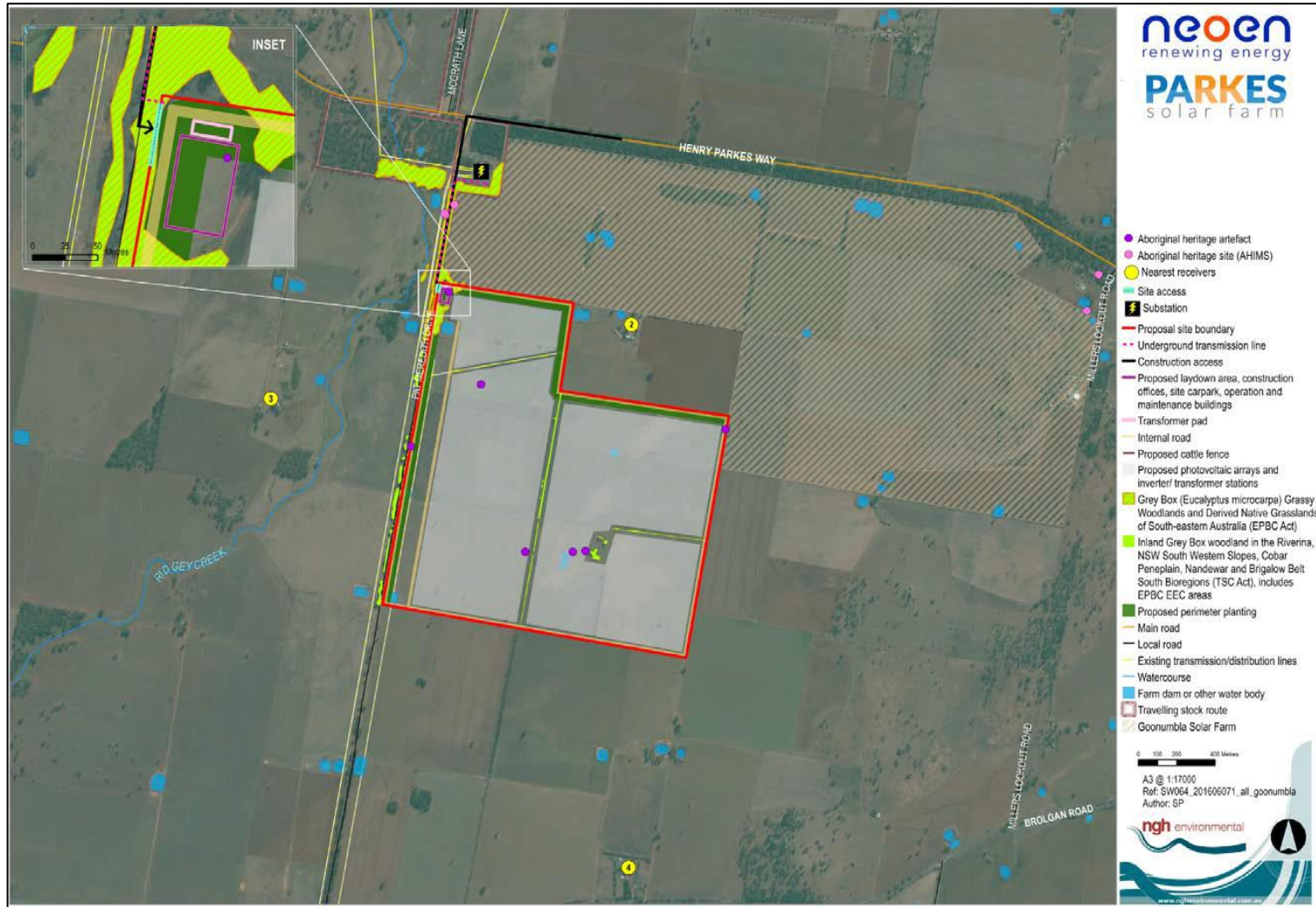


Figure 2 – Parkes General Layout