



## **NWTD News - May 2024**

*The North West Transmission Developments (NWTD), being progressed by TasNetworks, include 240 km of new and upgraded transmission lines and other energy infrastructure that will increase the capacity of Tasmania's electricity network.*

*The developments will support our renewable energy future.*



Photo of the Palmerston to Hadspen transmission corridor during the largest geomagnetic storm in 21 years, which lit up the sky with a beautiful aurora display earlier this month. *Photo credit: Mark Jackson.*



## NWTD Notified Corridor amended

Following the announcement by the Australian and Tasmanian Governments that Marinus Link will, in the first instance, proceed with one cable, the overall scope of the North West Transmission Developments was revised to be delivered in two stages. As a result, TasNetworks has requested that the Minister for Planning amend the notified corridor to allow for project scope revisions.

[https://talkwith.tasnetworks.com.au/north-west-transmission-developments-2/news\\_feed/nwtd-notified-corridor-amended](https://talkwith.tasnetworks.com.au/north-west-transmission-developments-2/news_feed/nwtd-notified-corridor-amended)



## Championing collaboration with the Tasmanian agricultural community

TasNetworks is pleased to be one of the first partners to support the Farm Access Code of Conduct. The Code sets out mutually-agreed timelines, processes and courtesies to be followed by infrastructure proponents looking to consult with farmers about developing on their land. It's been developed by TasFarmers and the Victorian Farmers Federation to help protect farmers' rights, build better co-operation, and help prevent long and stressful disputes that can delay crucial projects.

<https://www.tasnetworks.com.au/config/getattachment/35c1fa06-f4ae-48fb-a764-71437b59073a/TasNetworks-Farmers-Code-of-Conduct-release.pdf>



## Meet the border collie named TasNetworks!

It is a proven fact that having a dog can make you happier. Well, what about a dog named TasNetworks?

Following recent interactions with our North West Transmission Developments land agents, local North West Tasmanian farmer, Geoff, purchased a working dog that he uses in sheep dog trials. His name - TasNetworks!

TasNetworks, an energetic border collie, recently competed in the sheepdog trials at Agfest and then sniffed his way along to visit us in the TasNetworks tent.

Geoff explained "Tas didn't go as well as he was hoping for, but he is still a young dog - I reckon he will go a lot better next year".

Good luck for next year TasNetworks - we will have special treats ready and waiting for your next visit.



## Proposed Renewable Energy Zone for North West Tasmania

The Tasmanian Government has been exploring ways to meet Tasmania's extra energy demand whilst also protecting Tasmanian environmental values, supporting industry, and providing benefits to Tasmanian communities. Renewable Energy Zones (REZ) are a way to achieve this.

Throughout 2023, a comprehensive analysis was undertaken by government with community to determine the spatial boundaries for a north west REZ. A proposed area has been identified - located south of Burnie and extending on both sides of the Cam River.

[www.renewableenergyzones.tas.gov.au](http://www.renewableenergyzones.tas.gov.au)



## Where we've been this month

### AGFEST

We had a fantastic time connecting with our community at Agfest earlier this month. Thank you to everyone who stopped by the TasNetworks tent to hear more about the NWTd project and ask questions. A big thank you to Rural Youth Tasmania and all the Agfest volunteers who worked so hard to make the event a success.

Weren't able to make it along? You can ask questions anytime by emailing us at [nwtd@tasnetworks.com.au](mailto:nwtd@tasnetworks.com.au) | [www.tasnetworks.com.au/nwtd](http://www.tasnetworks.com.au/nwtd)



## New Information Pack

To ensure community members can access information they might need about the North West Transmission Developments project, we have released a new information pack on the TasNetworks website.

[www.tasnetworks.com.au/resources](http://www.tasnetworks.com.au/resources)



## TasNetworks Community Grants Program 2024

TasNetworks is dedicated to making a positive impact in the communities it serves. Its annual Community Grants Program has been announced. Applications are open from 31 May until 30 June 2024.

<https://www.tasnetworks.com.au/config/getattachment/1f560c5f-95d9-413e-8e8c-a68bbe79c02d/Launch-of-Community-Grants-Program.pdf>



## Got feedback? We're listening

Your feedback helps us to understand what is important to you and what we need to consider to achieve the best possible outcomes for the environment, landholders and the community.

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Rural Alive & Well (RAW) is passionate about building healthy and resilient rural communities.

RAW specialises in delivering proactive outreach and one-on-one psychosocial support that addresses situational stressors and increases protective factors, to minimise the risk of suicide.

RAW is 'non-clinical', genuine and non-intrusive. The service is confidential with no fees for participants.

RAW's staff have first-hand experience with the complexities of living and/or working in rural, remote and primary industry sectors. Staff each have backgrounds in Tasmanian Dairy, Livestock, Cropping, Mining, Wool Production, Forestry, Transport and Seafood.

If you feel that you're gauge has been running in the red for too long, it's time to reach out to RAW.