

# NSW/QLD BORDER TO GOWRIE (B2G) PROJECT

FIELD STUDIES AND SITE INVESTIGATIONS

January/February 2020

The NSW/QLD Border to Gowrie (B2G) team is continuing to carry out cultural heritage surveys.

These activities were postponed due to the heat wave at the end of 2019.

Surveys will occur within the study area, including on public land. Investigations on private property will be arranged on a voluntary basis with individual landowners. All investigations are weather permitting.

**Activities being carried out in January and February 2020 include:**

## GOWRIE TO PAMPAS

**Activity:** Indigenous cultural heritage surveys. These will involve approximately 10 workers and three vehicles carrying out walkovers.

**Contractors:** ARTC and Everick.

## NSW/QLD BORDER TO GOWRIE

**Activity:** Other field studies and site investigations may be required including cultural heritage surveys, utilities and geotechnical studies.

**Contractors:** Golder, Aurecon, AECOM, FFJV, RPS and Inland Rail.

## WHAT TO EXPECT

- ▶ white wooden pegs used to mark out investigation sites
- ▶ vehicle and machinery movements in the study area and on local roads

- ▶ machinery left at investigation sites overnight
- ▶ consultants completing walkovers on private and public land.

Investigations will be undertaken between 6.30am and 6.30pm, Monday to Sunday, weather permitting.

If you would like more information about our environmental field studies, please visit [inlandrail.artc.com.au/B2G](http://inlandrail.artc.com.au/B2G)

## EIS PROCESS AND APPROVALS

ARTC has sent an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) submission to the Queensland Office of the Coordinator General for consideration. The Queensland Coordinator-General will evaluate the EIS submission against the terms of reference as well as economic and social impacts and seek formal submissions from landowners and the community about the project.

Inland Rail will continue to work with the community by providing information on how to make formal submissions as part of the EIS process. The EIS will play a critical role in identifying, predicting, assessing, evaluating and mitigating the environmental, social, economic and other relevant effects as well as potential opportunities and benefits of the Inland Rail.

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