



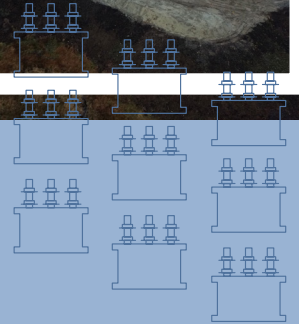
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Community Newsletter

Creag Dhubh to Dalmally overhead line, Creag Dhubh substation and North Argyll overhead line reinforcement

December 2024



To give you an insight into what works and activities are coming up on our Creag Dhubh to Dalmally overhead line (OHL), as well as the Creag Dhubh substation and North Argyll overhead line reinforcement, the relevant project teams have created this quarterly newsletter.

The newsletter will share an overview of the works underway and keep you updated with how the projects are progressing during construction. The newsletter can be downloaded from the documents section of each corresponding project website.

Creag Dhubh substation project

This project consists of the construction of a new 275/132kV Gas Insulated Switchgear (GIS) substation at Creag Dhubh. This substation will be connected from the Scottish Power Energy Networks (SPEN) Transmission Dalmally – Windyhill 275kV OHL via 13.5km of proposed new 275kV double circuit steel tower OHL. The project team have been focusing on the earthworks package the last few months with the aim to have this finalised by early 2025. The team will then move on to the construction of the new 132kV and 275kV GIS Buildings.

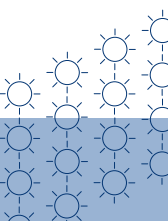
To keep up to date with progress and sign up for updates you can do so on our dedicated project webpage ssen-transmission/creag-dhubh-substation

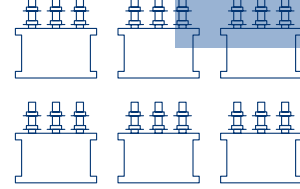
Creag Dhubh to Dalmally overhead line project

This project will see the construction of a new 13km 275kV OHL (comprising of 47 no. steel lattice towers) between the proposed Creag Dhubh substation and the tie in to the existing SPEN Transmission overhead line at Glen Lochy (Succoth Glen) and a tie in connection of the existing 132kV Taynuilt to Inveraray OHL to the proposed new Creag Dhubh substation.

Following the Public Local Inquiry (PLI) that concluded in June 2023 planning consent was granted by Scottish Ministers in August of this year. We commenced enabling works in October 2024. Construction start is programmed for March 2025.

To keep up to date with progress and sign up for updates you can do so on our dedicated project webpage; ssen-transmission/creag-dhubh-dalmally





Creag Dhubh to Inveraray overhead line project

We recently received consent for this project in September 2024. This project will see the construction of a new 275kV double circuit overhead line between Creag Dhubh substation (established as part of the Creag Dhubh - Dalmally 275kV project) and a tee point on the Inveraray - Crossaig circuit. The overhead line is proposed to be 9km (comprising of 34 no. L8c steel lattice towers).

We have started enabling works as of December 2024 on this project, such as forestry and private water supply sampling with construction expected to start in March 2025.

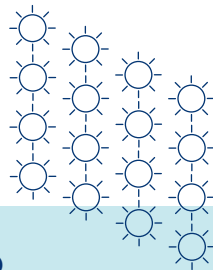
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Christmas site close down

Works on our sites will pause for the 2024 festive period with the sites closing from 20 December 2024 until 6 January 2025.

Although these sites will be closed for all construction workers during this period, security will remain in place.

We wish the local community a very safe and happy festive break.



Working with education

We have been working with Developing the Young Workforce Argyll supporting various careers and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) events across Argyll. This allows us to raise awareness about the different careers available in the energy industry and the different pathways to employment. We look forward to continuing to engage with the local schools and colleges across Argyll as our projects progress.

Community Liaison Group (CLG)

We are looking to establish a CLG for these projects to help update on progress and address any questions/concerns from the local community. We have CLGs established for some of our other projects not just in Argyll but across the North of Scotland. We believe this allows us to establish working relationships with the local community that enables us to address any concerns that are raised at these meetings and we are able to provide updates on progress on the projects.

We would look to host these meetings on a monthly/quarterly basis either in person or on a hybrid basis with volunteers from the local community council/local organisations and local councillors. Once established for any updates or meeting minutes regarding the CLG, you will be able to find these on the dedicated project webpages for each project.

How do I keep up to date with these projects?

We will keep the community updated by sharing this quarterly newsletter, the newsletter, along with any other updates, will be published on the project specific webpages. Tailored communications will be sent out in relation to any key activities that may impact the community.

If you would like to receive subsequent issues of this newsletter in printed format, or if you require a copy in an adapted format such as large print or braille, please request this from your Community Liaison Manager Caitlin, we will work with you to accommodate your preferences. We are happy to accommodate all reasonable requests for adapted communications. A digital copy of the newsletter will be sent to all individuals who have registered for updates on the project webpage.

If you have any questions about the projects detailed in this newsletter, please contact Caitlin direct via the details below:

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