

Glannire Solar Farm

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Overview



Role of the Department of Planning and Environment

Overview of the assessment process

Opportunities for community input

Statutory Context and role of DPE

- State Significant Development – EP&A Act
- Consent Authority – Minister or Independent Planning Commission
- Independent Planning Commission
 - if more than 50 unique objections; or
 - Council objects; or
 - Political donation

Statutory Context and role of DPE

- SSD applications are assessed by the Department
- Whole of Government assessment

State Significant Development Guidelines

- Explains the assessment of state significant projects, including modification applications
- Technical Guidelines on:
 - Undertaking Engagement
 - Cumulative Impact Assessment
 - Social Impact Assessment
- Clear expectations for applicants, the community and government agencies involved in State significant project assessments

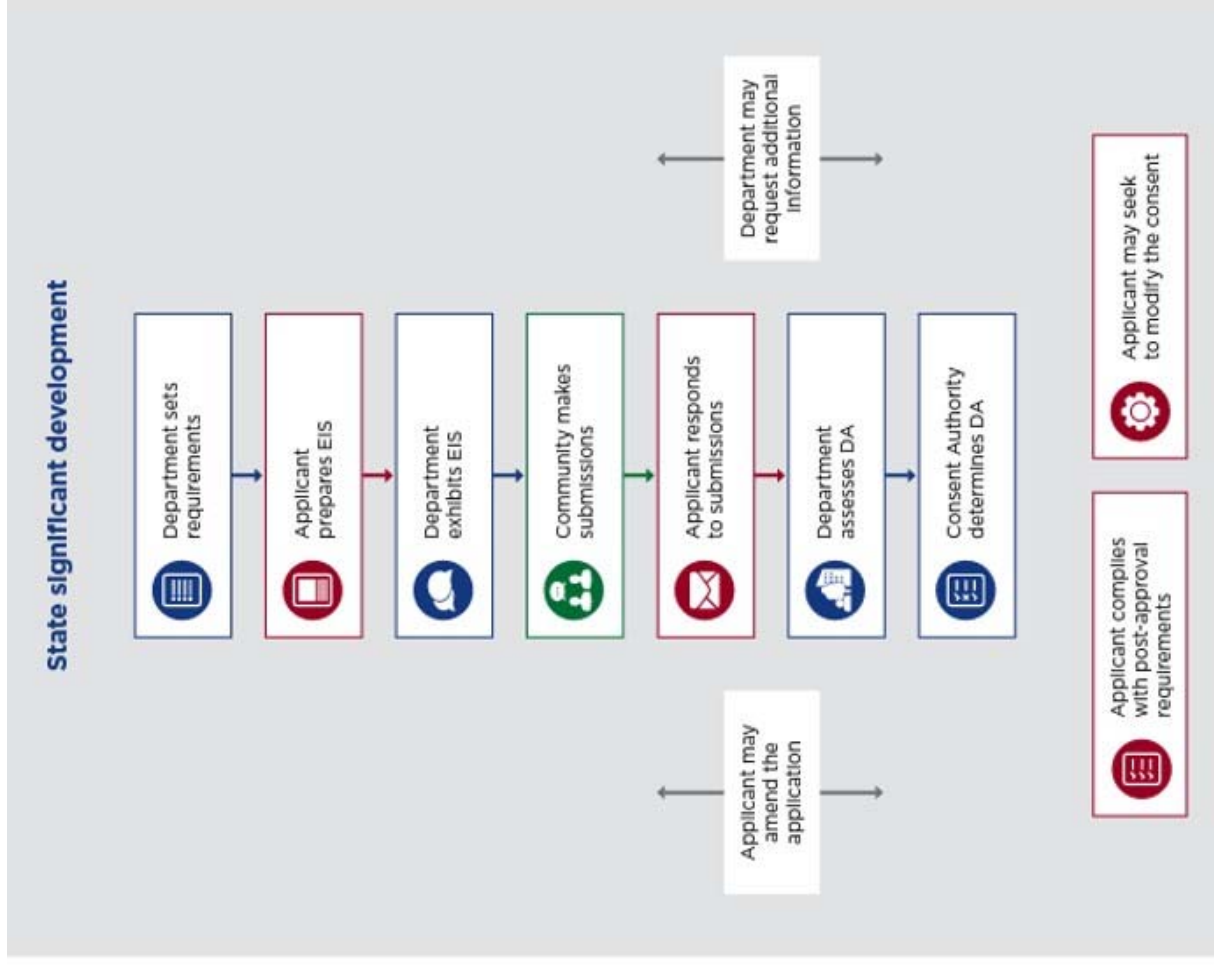


Role of Large Scale Solar Guidelines

- Guidance to the community, industry and regulators
- Planning framework for the assessment of large-scale solar energy development
- Discusses site selection and key site constraints



State Significant Assessment Process



Further information

<https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/glanmire-solar-farm> – **the project**

<https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/assessment/state-significant-development/ssd-process> - **The SSD process**

<https://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/Policy-and-Legislation/Renewable-Energy/Large-scale-Solar-Energy-Guideline> - **NSW Large-scale Solar Energy Guideline**

<http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/communityconsultativecommittees> - **Community Consultative Committee guidelines**

<https://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/Policy-and-Legislation/Planning-reforms/Rapid-Assessment-Framework/Improving-assessment-guidance> - **State Significant Development Guidelines**

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