

# Powerline Replacement Fund



## Making Victoria's powerlines safer

The Victorian Government is using the Powerline Bushfire Safety Program to replace bare wire powerlines in areas of highest bushfire risk.

The Powerline Replacement Fund makes available up to \$200 million to electrical distribution businesses and private landowners to replace bare wire powerlines.

Priority is given to replacing those bare wire powerlines that are located in the areas of highest bushfire risk, where it provides the best safety outcome to the community.

The funds are being allocated to Distribution Businesses and private powerline owners, to coordinate replacement planning works, including the engagement of contractors, securing product supplies and obtaining local planning approvals.

### What are they being replaced with?

Bare wire powerlines are being replaced with:

- insulated overhead powerlines; or
- underground powerlines; or
- new conductor technologies, including LoSag covered conductor



### What powerlines are being replaced?

- Public high voltage powerlines

These are single wire earth and 22kV multi-wire owned powerlines maintained by the electricity distributors.



- Private overhead powerlines

These are bare wire private overhead electric lines, maintained by individual owners on private properties.

Both high voltage and private overhead powerline works are targeting 33 Local Government Areas across rural and regional high risk bushfire regions of the state.



For further information please visit [delwp.vic.gov.au/powerlines](http://delwp.vic.gov.au/powerlines)

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