

# ILUKA RESOURCES ENEABBA RARE EARTH REFINERY COMMUNITY UPDATE



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## Eneabba Refinery construction commences

Iluka Resources appointed Fluor Australia as the lead contractor to complete engineering design and construction of Australia's first fully integrated rare earth refinery at Eneabba.

Earthworks commenced in late 2022, with significant progress made to date and the program of works scheduled for completion in quarter 4, 2023.

Construction of the refinery will start once earthworks has been completed, with first production scheduled for 2025.



*Earthworks commence at the Eneabba site*

## Workforce accommodation camps

The upgrade and refurbishment to the existing Banksia Village Accommodation Camp is now complete, taking the facilities from 124 to 245 rooms.

This expansion involves the refurbishment of 30 existing rooms at the Banksia and Erindoon camps, the installation of 80 new rooms, and the refurbishment of 11 rooms in local houses. Security at the site has also been upgraded to include additional fencing and safety measures.

All 245 rooms will be serviced from the Banksia Village facilities and will utilise local hospitality services and recreational facilities.

The construction of the new workforce accommodation village located on Three Springs Road also commenced in May and is planned for completion in late 2023.

The village will be critical to house our workforce completing the construction and operation of the refinery.

Refinery accommodation requirements are projected to reach up to 600 during construction, and around 270 during operations. Noting that not all workers will be site based.

We anticipate local businesses will see increased consumer traffic particularly for personal goods and hospitality services. Other opportunities for local people and businesses may be available as some of the workforce may prefer private accommodation options.

Iluka continues to assess options to provide transport to the Eneabba townsite for workers staying at the new camp, to promote accessibility and patronage with local businesses.



*The upgraded Eneabba Banksia Village*

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## Telstra tower upgrade

The upgrade to the Telstra telecommunications infrastructure that services the Eneabba townsite and surrounding areas, is now complete.

The upgrade includes improvements to the existing cellular tower, as well as the construction of a new tower, enabling access to 4G and 5G networks. Former Current 'dead spots' and issues with intermittent service are now significantly reduced.

Businesses and residents at Eneabba will now be able to access significantly improved, fast and reliable mobile voice and data services. Benefits include improved access to e-commerce and a range of government services including health care, education and training. Reliable telecommunications are also critical to ensuring optimal response times in emergency situations.

The decision to invest in surplus capacity to improve service to Eneabba was influenced by feedback received from community members during consultation for the refinery planning process.

The construction of the second tower is expected to be completed by late 2023.

## Supporting the Eneabba Primary School

Iluka have had an ongoing relationship with the Eneabba Primary School for over 20 years. Iluka contribute to the Eneabba school by sponsoring camps, sporting events, cross country events and fundraisers.

Iluka also donate refurbished laptops to the school and when the children graduate from year 6, they are able to keep a laptop and take it on to their high school years.



*Iluka representatives donating laptops to the students*



*The upgraded Telstra 4G / 5G coverage network map*

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