

Why is the North Connacht project needed and what are the benefits?

As of 2020, around 40% of the electricity that we use in Ireland each year comes from renewable sources. The government's Climate Action Plan sets out the target to achieve 70% of electricity from renewable energy sources by 2030.

The North Connacht 110 kV project is an important step in reaching this target. At present, a large amount of renewable electricity is generated in the North Connacht region and more is planned over the coming years.

As the current local electricity network cannot manage the expected flow of power, we need to improve the electricity network in the region.

Benefits



Competition

Apply downward pressure on the cost of electricity.



Sustainability

Help facilitate Ireland's transition to a low carbon energy future.



Security of Supply

Improve electricity supply for Ireland's electricity consumers.



Economic

Contribute to the regional economy and support foreign direct investment.



Community

Deliver community benefit in the areas that facilitate the project infrastructure.