

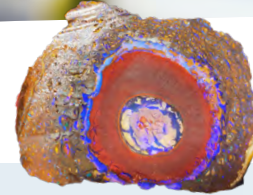
Boundless Opportunities for Energy and Resources

Invest in South West Queensland

With an abundance of natural resources and a stable industry base, South West Queensland is a major hub for the energy and resource sector. The region has a significant oil and gas resource as well as one of the South West is one of the largest producers of opal in the world.

The hydro power plant in Thargomindah was the first in Australia and the third in the world, with the region's renewable power journey starting in 1893. Today, the region remains at the cutting edge of clean and renewable energy, including deployment of solar, waste heat recovery, renewable methane trials and carbon capture and storage (CCS) technology.

APA Group is currently conducting a \$2.2 million trial of a new hydrogen technology at Wallumbilla.



\$1.2 million of opal found in the South West!

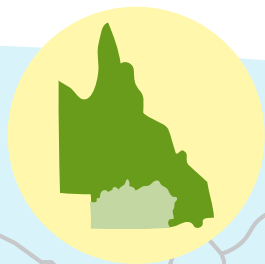
As seen on the 2021 season finale of *Outback Opal Hunters*, a team in Yowah QLD (Paroo Shire) uncovered \$1.2 million of rare Yowah nut opals.

Investment opportunities:

- Products and services for the existing oil and gas industry
- Exploration services
- Micro-grid electricity generation
- Electricity storage technologies
- Range of renewable energy production

Competitive advantages:

- A \$3.5 billion existing resource industry consisting of oil, gas and opals
- Existing supply chains to support further industry growth
- Strong transport connectivity across road, rail and air
- Available and affordable industrial land



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CASE STUDY: Ago Vires

Established in 2014 as a multi-disciplinary energy construction company, Ago Vires employs 25 staff across multiple worksites and now serves three states (Qld, NT and SA), continuing to grow from its base in Thargomindah. Tailored to meet the needs of regional clients, the company provides services to oil, gas, government and energy companies in remote and isolated regions of Australia. Ago Vires has evolved client credibility through their employees and delivery of quality, health and safety and project cost savings.



"South West Queensland offers the perfect location for our business, and with its high degree of connectivity both intra and interstate we can easily manage the movement of staff across our project portfolio."

**Marco Otaola, Managing Director,
Ago Vires**

Boundless Opportunities in South West Queensland:

Discover our Accessibility:

- 3,000 km of sealed road
- 6 major highways
- 6 municipal airports
- 2 major rail lines

Discover our Affordability:

- Industrial land is 75% less than South East Queensland
- Commercial rents are 66% lower than South East Queensland
- Housing is half the cost of South East Queensland

Discover our Adventure Lifestyle:

- Dozens of National Parks and State Forests
- Dozens of Inland lakes, rivers and gorges
- Some of the best fishing and camping in Queensland