

Where is New Zealand's biggest planned battery energy storage system?

Image: Vector Energy Development approvals have been granted for New Zealand's biggest planned battery energy storage system (BESS) to date. The 100MW battery storage project is in development by electricity generator and retailer Meridian Energy at Ruakaka on New Zealand's North Island. The site is adjacent to Marsden Point, a former oil refinery.

How will a battery storage system benefit New Zealand?

The battery storage will help to reduce these events by smoothing the distribution of supply and demand," Knott said. The system will charge with cheap energy during off-peak hours and send it back to the grid at times of high demand. It will also enable more power generated on New Zealand's South Island to be utilised in the north.

What is New Zealand's first large-scale battery farm?

Work has started on New Zealand's first large-scale grid battery farm, capable of storing up to 200 megawatt hours (MWh) of power - enough to power 60,000 households for two hours over winter. Meridian has begun construction of its \$186 million Ruakaka Energy Park, on Rama Rd, for the Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) part of the project.

When will Meridian Energy start building a battery storage system?

Meridian Energy will begin construction of the Ruakaka Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) in the first quarter of 2023. The project will construct New Zealand's first large-scale grid battery storage system, providing Meridian with a versatile North Island asset, situated south of Whangarei.

What is New Zealand's first megawatt-scale battery storage system?

The country's first megawatt-scale battery storage system is thought to have been a 1MW/2.3MWh project completed in 2016 using the Tesla Powerpack, Tesla's first iteration of an industrial and grid-scale BESS solution. However the first BESS to be connected to the high-voltage transmission grid in New Zealand came two years after that.

How much does a battery cost in New Zealand?

The mean charging spot price was \$123/MWh and the median was \$132/MWh. As New Zealand electrifies, more grid-scale batteries will support the growing renewable energy supply. Meridian Energy is building a 100MW (200MWh) battery near Ruakaka in sunny Northland. This battery is expected to be commissioned in September 2024.

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