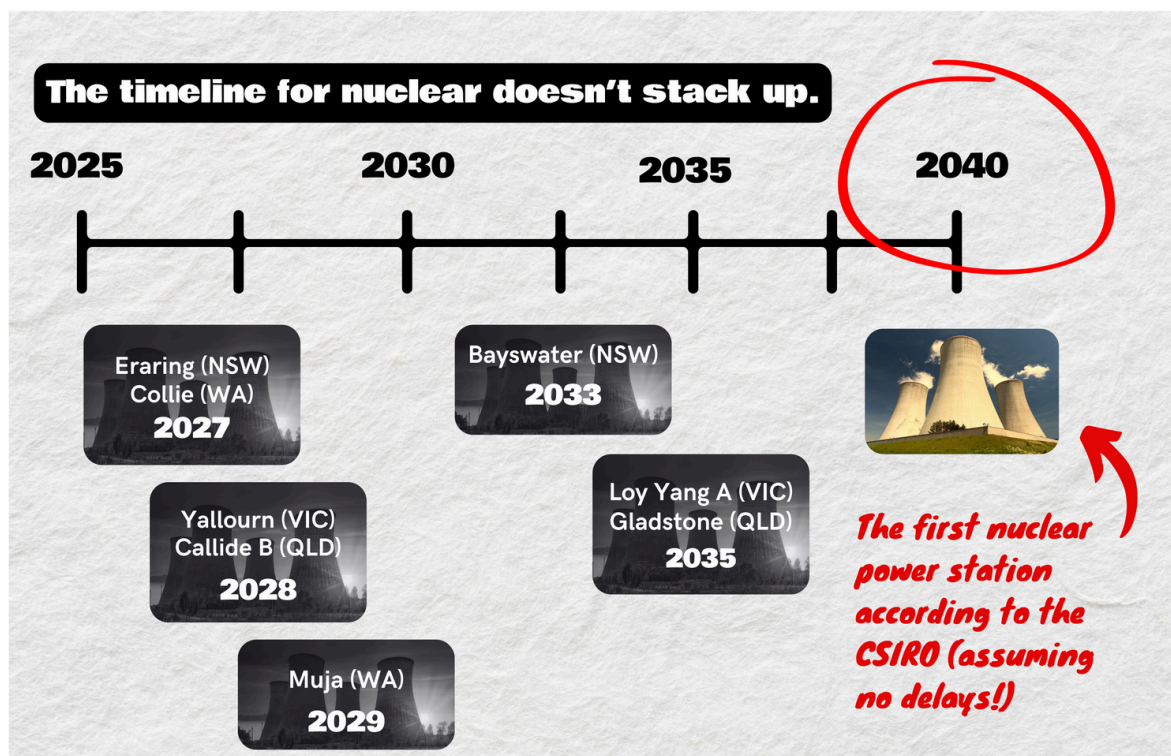


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Peter Dutton and the Coalition have announced seven proposed sites for nuclear power stations. But workers in coal-fired power stations need job pathways much sooner than the 20-year timeline required to build nuclear.



Over the next five years, five coal-fired power stations in Australia are scheduled to close, with a further five expected to close between 2030 and 2035.

According to the CSIRO, the earliest a large-scale nuclear plant could commence operations is no sooner than 2040 - not to mention the layers of

legislative change that will be required, likely cost blow-outs, and delays in construction and approvals.

By the time a nuclear plant could provide jobs, it is most likely that all of Australia's coal power stations will have closed, with workers settled into other work or retirement, or having relocated.



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ENERGY POLICY SHOULD NOT BE USED AS A POLITICAL FOOTBALL

Peter Dutton was part of a Coalition government that had three terms in government to develop a coherent energy policy which could have included nuclear if they believed it would be viable.

Now that an election is around the corner, they are using nuclear as a cynical distraction from the work that needs to happen immediately to diversify our regional energy economies for the major changes ahead.

WE CAN'T WAIT UNTIL THE 2040s TO GET NEW INDUSTRIES UP AND RUNNING

The energy transition will be hugely challenging for our members and their communities. They deserve considered and serious policy that meets these challenges.

Unclear and oversimplified proposals for nuclear energy are a distraction from good policy and the important, difficult work of an orderly transition.

Peter Dutton and the Coalition oversaw the closure of seven coal fired power stations the last time they were in power, and they didn't lift a finger to help those communities.

Don't risk Dutton.



“ If we're going to run everything on the false hope of a nuclear energy industry that could be here in 10 to 15 years time... all the people in our industry who hold the experience required to run these stations won't be there anymore.

**SCOTT KING, NSW POWER
STATION WORKER**

