



Winterbourne Wind

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tomorrow

Environmental Assessment is underway

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Project at a glance

Status	Planing and approvals stage
Planned capacity	Up to 700MW
Investment	Over \$1 billion
Turbines	Up to 126 turbines
Blade tip height	Up to 250m
Connection	Approx. 60km of new 330kV transmission line

SEARs have been issued

Following the submission and review of the Scoping Report, the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) has issued the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) for the proposed Winterbourne Wind Farm project.

The Scoping Report and SEARs are available at the NSW Planning Portal

planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/project/35901

The SEARs specify the matters that must be addressed in the project's Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The project team will now prepare the EIS, which will require detailed environmental studies to be completed over 2020 and 2021. In addition, we will consult with and seek feedback from the community and other stakeholders.

What will be addressed in the EIS?

The following key areas for potential impact will be addressed within the EIS:

- Traffic and Transportation Routes
- Visual Amenity Impacts (to both nearby residences and public viewpoints)
- Noise Impacts (including construction noise)
- Socioeconomic Context and Benefits
- Aboriginal Cultural Heritage
- Biodiversity and Ecology
- Aviation Safety
- Water and Waste
- Bushfire risk

EPBC Notification Received

The project has been deemed a controlled action by the Australian Government, due to the known or likely presence of some species listed as threatened under the *Commonwealth Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation (EPBC) Act*, including the Spotted Quoll and the Koala.

This means that the environmental assessments for the project will need to ensure that any potential negative impacts to these and other animal and plant species are carefully considered and addressed, and the project will need to be reviewed approved by the Australian Government Minister for the Environment.



Community Consultative Committee



to be established in late-2020



approx four meetings per year



join by expression of interest

A Community Consultative Committee (CCC) will be established for the project in late 2020.

A chairperson for the CCC will first be appointed by DPIE. Once appointed, we will call for expressions of interest from members of the local community to join the CCC.

The CCC provides a forum for transparent discussion between the project's proponents and the local community (including residents, stakeholders and the local councils).

You can obtain further information about volunteering for the CCC on DPIE's website: www.planning.nsw.gov.au/Assess-and-Regulate/Development-Assessment/Community-Consultative-Committees

Project progress



We are committed to keeping you informed about the project, and we want to hear from you! Visit www.winterbournewindfarm.com.au or call 1800 252 040 to learn more.

