

COPPABELLA Wind Farm

Project Update

The project obtained a modified Development Consent from the NSW Independent Planning Commission on 10 December 2018. This allows for the construction and operation of up to 75 wind turbines and related civil and electrical infrastructure.

Minor tree clearing and pruning works were undertaken on Whitefields Road in August 2019. These works are part of a number of pre-construction activities that will occur in preparation for the commencement of construction of the project. Supplementary planting was undertaken in the area by the project team in November (see photos overleaf).

The works occurred in accordance with the approved Roadside Vegetation Management and Landscaping Plan. This Plan was developed in consultation with the Yass Valley Council and approved by the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment.

Goldwind is currently engaging with TransGrid and the Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO) to finalise the grid connection arrangements for the project. Construction of the project is targeted to start in mid-2020.

Project Info Centre

The information centre has project details, including maps, photos, and other resources. Alison, Community Relations Officer for the project, is available to answer questions.

The information centre is located at 30-32 Fitzroy Street, Binalong.

Opening hours for the information centre:

- **Wednesday – 4:30pm - 6:30pm**
- **Thursday – 9:00am - 12 noon**
- **Or by appointment.**

If you would like to learn more about the project outside of these times, please be in touch for a chat over the phone or to make a time for a face to face meeting.



up to 75 wind turbines and related infrastructure



approximate 30KM west of Yass



approximate time to construct the project: 2 YEARS



approximate community investment funds available during operations



approximate number of NSW homes powered once operational: 173,000

Sponsorship update from Alison – Community Relations Officer for the project

There has been plenty of activity in sponsorships since the last newsletter. Coppabella Wind Farm has been involved in events, fundraisers, and purchasing of equipment for local community groups. It was great to again be a part of both the Harden Kite Festival and the Yass Irish and Celtic Music Festival for 2019. These events bring excitement and energy to their respective towns and make a great outing for everyone.

Back again for 2019, the Bookham Sports Shear in its third year had more entries and attendees than ever before. It's well worth the trip to Bookham.

The Brahmans were another notable return sponsorship this year and had a great season once again.

We were excited to work closely with the Binalong Community Club to help make the club more accessible and welcoming. New solar lights now line their long driveway, illuminating the way from the road and once there, new flood lights have made the outdoor area much more usable after dark. New signage was added to the road as well.

Another return event was the annual Halloween night in Binalong for the local Swimming Club. The kids had a great

time and it was well supported by the community.

Finally, Coppabella Wind Farm had a new event to sponsor, in its second year, Joan's Wish Show and Shine Family Fun day held their first NSW State titles for sand drags (motorbikes), including a tattooing competition and lots of activities for everyone.

Harden

- Harden Kite Festival

Bookham

- Bookham Sports Shear

Binalong

- Binalong P&C Playgroup Play Equipment
- Binalong Community Club Outdoor solar lights and flood lights and signage
- Binalong Public School Community Fair
- Binalong NSW Swimming Club Halloween Fundraiser

Yass

- Yass Irish and Celtic Music Festival for 2019

Galong

- Joan's Wish Community Day and State Title Sand Drag Races



Goldwind staff undertaking supplementary planting.



Coppabella Wind Farm's sponsorship of the Harden Kite Festival.



Coppabella Wind Farm Community Consultative Committee

The aim of the Community Consultative Committee (CCC) is to provide a forum for open discussion between representatives of the project, the community, local councils and other stakeholders, and to keep the community informed of progress.

The most recent CCC meeting was held on Thursday 22nd August 2019. Meeting minutes and associated meeting materials are available on the project website.

The next CCC meeting is scheduled for 6pm on **Thursday 28th November** in Binalong. If you are interested in attending the meeting as an observer, please contact us.

The CCC operates under the Community Consultative Committee Guidelines for NSW State Significant Infrastructure projects.



How to find out more information.



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