



MOORABOOL
Wind Farm

Goldwind's Moorabool Wind farm Supports Local Communities through Sponsorship.

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Thirty community groups from Ballan, Mt Egerton, Gordon, Elaine and Mt Wallace have been successful in the second round of sponsorship for Moorabool Wind Farm and will shortly receive funds totalling \$100,000.

'We had an overwhelming response to this round of sponsorships, with a large number of groups applying for funds.' Said Helen Kennedy, Goldwind Australia Community Engagement Officer.

'One of our key aims for the project is to be considered as an integrated and valued component of the social and economic fabric of the community. We allocated approximately \$100,000 locally during the first round of sponsorship in 2017 and are really pleased to be able to provide further support as the project transitions into construction.' Said Helen.

All necessary approvals for the 107 turbines within the two sections of the moorabool wind farm have been received from the Minister for Planning. Moorabool North has begun construction with access track and foundation construction well underway. Pre-construction work is taking place at Moorabool South on the Geelong Ballan Road with construction on site expected to begin next month.

'We aim to keep all construction disturbance on the public roads to a minimum and have developed a dedicated traffic website and sms notification system. Regular road condition surveys are being undertaken with repairs taking place as necessary' Said Andrew Kerley, Goldwind Australia Project Director for the Moorabool Wind Farm.

The construction of the overhead transmission line to connect the wind farm to the Elaine Terminal Substation has been underway since May 2018. Weather conditions in the region have led to some temporary suspensions of construction activity. As the conditions become more favourable the construction works will progress.

The Elaine Terminal Substation is being upgraded to allow the Moorabool and Lal Lal wind farms to both connect into it.

'The Elaine substation upgrade and additional transmission line to the wind farm are necessary to allow the electricity produced by Moorabool Wind Farm to be transported to the end users - the community. The upgrade and subsequent increased size is necessary to accommodate the additional clean energy' Said Andrew.

Once operational the wind farm will power approximately 203,500 average Victorian homes each year. The wind farm will contribute to Victoria's transition to a modern and renewable energy future, as well as deliver significant local benefits to business and the community.

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