MOORABOOL Wind Farm

Moorabool North

November 2017 UPDATE

Moorabool North consists of 50 permitted turbines running south from Mt Egerton Road to Hamills Lane. Pre-Construction plans for Moorabool North have now been approved by the Minister for Planning. These plans outline exactly what will be built at Moorabool North and ensure compliance with the planning permit. Construction is expected to now begin in early 2018.

Moorabool South

Moorabool South consists of 57 permitted turbines running south from Hamills Lane towards Elaine. For Moorabool South, Goldwind is continuing to work through the requirements of the planning permit conditions to ensure a suitable turbine layout design. Pre-Construction plans for submission to the Minister are now being prepared.

There has been a delay in submitting the development plans to the Minister which is now due later this month. At that time, we will be able to provide an update as to the design of the layout. It is anticipated that construction for Moorabool South will also begin early 2018.



Project Information

• The Goldwind 3.S turbines the latest model of turbine and will stand 171m to the tip of the blade.

• The project is expected to produce approximately 1,000,000 megawatt hours of renewable electricity each year.

• This will power approximately 223,000 average Victorian homes, enough renewable electricity to supply 11% of average homes in Victoria.

Community Benefits - Update

Moorabool Wind Farm is committed to being an integrated member of the local community and to spreading the benefits of the project throughout the community.

Moorabool Wind farm is offering residences within 3km of a wind turbine the **Neighbour Involvement** (Electricity) Scheme. This scheme provides \$1,500 each year to eligible neighbours to contribute towards electricity costs at their property. If you think you are eligible and would like further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Moorabool Wind Farm is offering all residences within 4km of a wind turbine, **Landscape and Visual Screening**. For dwellings between 3-4km this only applies where there is an existing unobstructed view from the dwelling to the turbines. This will be available once construction begins and further details will be advertised at that time.

This year Moorabool Wind Farm has sponsored 24 Community Groups. **Further Sponsorship** will be available once construction begins. If you are involved with a community group and are interested in sponsorship of an event, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Expressions of Interest Sought – Indigenous Involvement

Goldwind Australia has a goal of increasing the involvement of indigenous men and women in the growing renewable energy industry by providing opportunities for training, education and employment. Goldwind Australia is seeking expressions of interest from individuals or organisation's that can provide advice and services to assist in consulting with interested parties, developing strategies and implementing programs to achieve the goal. For more information, please visit <u>www.mooraboolwindfarm.com</u>

Transmission line – Update

The Moorabool Wind Farm will be connected to the National Electricity Grid via a 132kV overhead powerline. The powerline will extend for approximately 30km, connecting the northern Bungeeltap section and the southern Ballark section of the wind farm to the Elaine terminal station, near the Elaine township. The detailed design work has now been undertaken by Powercor. The line is proposed to consist of the following features:

- Power poles will be used (not steel lattice towers) with typical pole heights of around 20-26m
 Photograph shows a typical double circuit pole during conductor stringing construction
- Poles will generally be spaced between 100 and 240m apart, to minimize ground disturbance along the route
- Poles will be of either a steel or concrete construction
- The powerline will carry two circuits between Elaine Terminal Station and the Ballark wind farm section, and a single circuit between the Ballark and Bungeeltap sections
- The conductors will be arranged so they meet minimum height and vegetation clearances in accordance with Australian Standards as well as local laws and regulations

Local Business Participation Program - Update

Registrations though the Industry Capability Network are still being taken and has been extended to **January 31st, 2018**.

Please visit gateway.icn.org.au/project/3914/moorabool-wind-farm-project or contact Peter McCracken on 0407 505 477.

The main contractor will be appointed in due course and a briefing will be held locally to provide further information at that time.

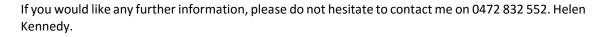
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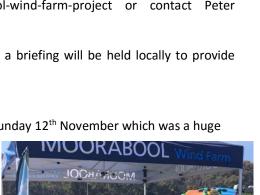
Rose De la Cruz attended the Gordon Community Fair on Sunday 12th November which was a huge

success. Thank you to all who came and spoke to Rose at the Moorabool Wind Farm Marquee to find out more about the project.

Rose will also be attending the **Elaine Farmers and Community Twilight Markets** on the following dates, come along and say Hello and find out more about the project:

- Saturday 9th Dec 2017
- Saturday 13th January 2018
- Saturday 10th Feb 2018
- Saturday 10th March 2018







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