MOORABOOL Wind Farm

September 2017 UPDATE

Moorabool North - 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 submitted to the Minister for Planning for his approval. These plans outline exactly what will be built at Moorabool North and ensure compliance with the planning permit.

All geotechnical investigations for the turbine, access track and cable locations have been completed and some detailed design work is underway.

Construction is expected to begin later this year.

Moorabool South - Update

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 in September/October 2017. At that time, we will be able to provide you with an update as to the design of the layout. It is anticipated that construction for Moorabool South will begin late 2017.

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

<u>Local Business Participation Program - Update</u>

Registrations though the Industry Capability Network are still being taken and has been extended to October 31st. 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.

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.

Sponsorship is ongoing with many community groups benefiting. If you are involved with a community group and are interested in sponsorship of an event, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Upcoming events/activities Moorabool Wind Farm are involved with are:

- Ballan Jockey Club Emirates Cup Tour, 11th October and 11th November 2017
- Mt Egerton Bush Dance 21st October 2017
- Ballan and District Chamber of Commerce Awards 27th October 2017
- Ballan Pony Club Combined Training Day November 2017
- Gordon Community Fair 12th November 2017
- Ballan Vintage Machinery and Vehicle Club February 2018

If you would like any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0472 832 552. Helen Kennedy.

