MOORABOOL Wind Farm

Near Neighbour Project Update April 2017

The Moorabool Wind Farm Project is now powering towards construction. The project comprises the northern Bungeeltap and southern Ballark sections.

A necessary step before construction can start is the submission of Development Plans and other information (for example an Environment Management Plan), to the Minister for Planning for approval. The Development Plans, along with the other information submitted, provide detail about the project and demonstrate how the project will comply with the conditions of the Development Approval. Goldwind is planning to submit these plans for the northern Bungeeltap section during this month, April 2017.

Development Plans for the southern Ballark section are expected to follow 2-3 months later and the same process will be followed.

This notification is being sent to all residences within 1.5km of a turbine proposed in the Bungeeltap and Ballark sections of the wind farm. In addition, over the coming weeks, an update will also be sent to all residences out to 3km from all wind turbines proposed in both the Bungeeltap and Ballark sections of the wind farm.

The Bungeeltap section of the project will consist of 50 Goldwind 3.S GW140 Wind turbines. These are the latest model turbine from Goldwind and stand at up to 171m to the tip of the blade. The turbine layout to be submitted (as shown on the following layout map) does not differ significantly from the layout approved in the planning permit. Some minor changes to turbine locations (micro-siting) are proposed, for example to avoid cultural heritage on the site, and maintain setbacks from site boundaries. Some small changes to the internal road network are also proposed, for similar reasons. With these minor changes, the wind farm will remain compliant with noise and shadow flicker conditions.

Provided Development Plans are approved as expected, early site works are likely to start in June or July. These early works will be a combination of site activities, like detailed geotechnical investigations and road improvements, along with office based work such as detailed construction design. Full construction on site is anticipated to begin towards the end of the year.

Please feel free to contact the Moorabool Wind Farm team if you have any questions to ask or comments to make. Contact details are provided in the attached letter. Further detailed information about the project can be found at the information centre in Ballan, at 152 Inglis Street. If you would like to see some larger maps, please come and visit.

