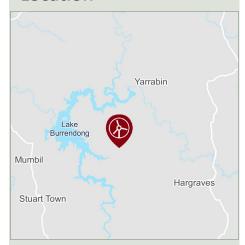
Burrendong Wind Farm

Project Update September 2020



Location



Community consultation

Epuron welcomes input from members of the local community and other interested parties, to help identify key priorities and shape the project.

Consultation throughout the process will include updates, meetings and information sessions.

In the event that meetings or information sessions cannot be held locally due to travel or distancing restrictions, they will be held online.

Please see overleaf for how to register your details to receive updates and notification of information sessions when these are scheduled.

Scoping report lodged

Australian renewable energy developer Epuron has been investigating an area 30km south-east of Wellington and east of Lake Burrendong as a potential site for a wind farm. The site is located within the NSW Government's *Central-West Orana Renewable Energy Zone (CWO REZ)* an area rich in renewable energy resources expected to yield up to 3,000 megawatts (MW) of new generation capacity, enough to power 1.3 million homes.

Epuron has lodged a Scoping Report for the project with the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE), the consent authority for renewable energy projects in NSW, which are considered State significant development. Based on the Scoping Report the DPIE will issue Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs), which outline the studies required for a development application.

What is a Scoping Report?

A Scoping Report provides preliminary information on a project and its potential impacts, to support a request for Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs).

Lodgement of a Scoping Report is the first step in a long assessment process that typically takes a year or longer, in preparation for a development application.

The planning status of State significant developments can be tracked on the NSW Planning Portal for Major Projects. Search 'Burrendong Wind Farm' at: www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects

The proposed current design for the project includes 69 turbines. For a map showing the initial proposed layout **please see overleaf**.

After SEARs have been issued Epuron will commence work on the various technical reports required, which will likely include comprehensive surveys and studies for visual, noise, transport and biodiversity matters. The project team may also continue to revise the layout design based on community feedback and study findings.

For more information visit burrendongwindfarm.com.au

NSW planning process

The proposed Burrendong Wind Farm is considered State significant development and subject to a rigorous planning process managed by the NSW Government. The key steps and status of the project are listed below.

- 1 Site selection.
- 2 Initial concept and consultation.



- Secretary's
 Environmental
 Assessment
 Requirements (SEARs)
 for the Environmental
 Impact Statement (EIS)
 issued by DPIE.
- Site design, studies and assessments.
- 6 EIS lodged with the DPIE.
- 7 EIS on exhibition for public submissions.
- Responses to public submissions.
- **9** Assessment by DPIE.
- **10** Determination.

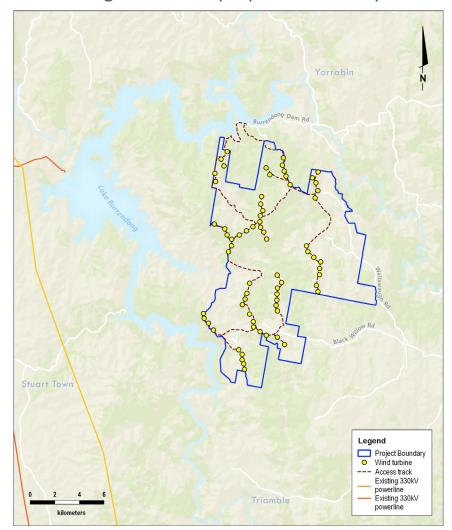
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Burrendong Wind Farm proposed initial layout



Why clean energy?

Renewable sources of energy – hydro, wind, solar – are the most efficient and cheapest new sources of bulk energy generation. Development of renewable energy projects will deliver cheaper and reliable electricity to households and businesses, help governments and industry meet commitments to net-zero emissions targets, and transition our energy market in line with global trends.

Last year renewables contributed 24% of Australia's total electricity. By the end of 2020 it is estimated that renewable energy generation will account for 30% of Australia's total energy mix.

Register for project news

We are keen to keep local communities and other interested parties up to date on project developments and opportunities to provide feedback.

If you would like to receive project news via email please register at **epuron.com.au/mailing-list-details**.

If you would prefer to receive this via mail please send contact the project manager and advise your preferred mailing address (details left).

We respect your privacy and your details will only be used for this purpose.