

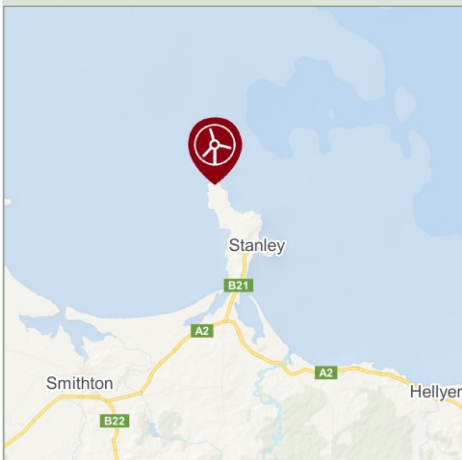
Western Plains Wind Farm

Project Update

December 2021



Location



The site proposed for Western Plains Wind Farm, at the tip of the Stanley peninsula is located within Tasmania's North West Renewable Energy Zone (REZ).

The North West REZ is one of three zones in the state identified by the Australian Energy Market Operator as optimal for new renewable energy projects to support Australia's clean energy transition due to high-quality renewable energy resources and proximity to existing or planned network infrastructure.

The North West REZ covers the north-west and west coast of Tasmania. Due to its quality wind resources, a significant portion of the projected new wind development in Tasmania is located within this area.

Development application update

Work on the Development Proposal and Environmental Management Plan (DPEMP) is continuing. The DPEMP is being prepared in accordance with the Project Specific Guidelines (PSGs) that have been issued for Western Plains Wind Farm by Tasmania's Environment Protection Authority (EPA).

We do not have a submission date at this stage and will update the community when we are closer to lodging. After the DPEMP has been finalised, reviewed by Circular Head Council and accepted by the EPA it will go on public exhibition and members of the community will have the opportunity to review it and make a submission.

Local information hub

Epuron is seeking to rent a small commercial space within or close to Stanley to be staffed one day a week in the first instance. This would provide members of the community with easy and convenient access to project information and the option to discuss the proposal with a member of the project team. If any business owner has suitable premises available to lease, perhaps an office or part of a retail space, please contact the project team.

Community information session

Epuron will host an information session in Stanley during the DPEMP's exhibition period, subject to unrestricted travel from Sydney to Tasmania.

This will give interested members of the community an opportunity to discuss the final proposal with the project team.

To be notified directly when the session has been scheduled please register your interest with the project team or register for project updates.

To receive email updates register at epuron.com.au/mailling-list-details or to receive updates via post please send the project team your name, address and a request to be added to the mailing list (contact details overleaf).

Questions and comments welcome

Questions and comments are welcome at any time and can be sent to the project team via info@westernplainswindfarm.com.au or the online feedback form available on the website at westernplainswindfarm.com.au.

Planning and assessment

- 1 Site selection and preliminary investigations
- 2 Notice of Intent (NoI) lodged with the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) Tasmania
- 3 Project Specific Guidelines for the Development Proposal and Environmental Management Plan (DPEMP) issued by the EPA

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Studies, assessments and finalising site design

- 5 DPEMP submitted to Circular Head Council
- 6 Preliminary assessment by Council
- 7 DPEMP referred by Council to the EPA
- 8 DPEMP on exhibition
- 9 Response to public submissions
- 10 Assessment by the EPA Board
- 11 Determination by the EPA Board and approval conditions provided to Council
- 12 Assessment by Council
- 13 Determination by Council



Western Plains Wind Farm - the proposed design involves 12 wind turbines connected to the Port Latta substation via a new underground powerline.

Response to notification from RSP-NWT

Respect Stanley Peninsula – No Wind Turbines Inc. has provided Epuron with a *Notification of significant matters of concern* for consideration in the Western Plains Wind Farm assessment work and DPEMP.

We thank RSP-NWT for its input and Epuron's response is available on the project website at westernplainswindfarm.com.au

Thank you to everyone who engaged with us for this project during 2021. We wish everyone all the best for the festive season and a safe and happy new year.



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Commonwealth

- 1 Referral to the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (DAWE) for review under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act)

- 2 Decision: controlled action, assessment by preliminary documentation

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Request for further information (RFI)

- 4 Response to RFI submitted
- 5 Determination