# Hellyer Wind Farm

Project Update

May 2022



### Location



The site proposed for Hellyer Wind Farm is about 5 km southwest of Hampshire and 30 km south of Burnie in the Burnie City Council area.

It is in Tasmania's North West Renewable Energy Zone, one of three areas identified by the Australian Energy Market Operator as optimal for new projects to support growth in Tasmania's renewable energy sector and meet its world-leading target for generating 200% of the state's energy needs from renewable sources by 2040.

The project area has strong winds, is used for commercial forestry and is crossed by a high voltage powerline.

## Community Information Sessions Ridgley and Waratah 7 & 8 June 2022

Epuron invites interested members of the community to join the Hellyer Wind Farm project team for a local drop-in information session, to learn more about the proposals for this project and the adjacent Guildford Wind Farm (see map overleaf). Two information sessions will be held:

Ridgley	4 - 7pm, Tuesday 7 June
	Ridgley Community Centre
	2 Parker Court, Ridgley

Waratah 4 - 7pm, Wednesday 8 June Waratah 7321 Men's Shed 21 William St, Waratah *Turn left opposite the Police Station*.

Refreshments will be provided and everyone is welcome. To assist with catering please RSVP to <u>info@hellyerwindfarm.com.au</u>.

Please note any government prescribed COVID protocols will apply.

The project team looks forward to meeting community members and the opportunity to answer questions.

## Project to enter planning process soon

Epuron is in the process of designing the initial wind turbine layout and then will lodge a Notice of Intent (NoI) for the project with the Environment Protection Authority Tasmania (EPA). Lodging the NoI will enter the project into the planning and assessment process.

The proposal will also be referred to the Australian Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (DAWE) for review under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.

The EPA will use the NoI and DAWE's input to determine Project Specific Guidelines, which will outline the studies required for the project's Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) such as assessments for biodiversity, heritage, visual, noise and transport.

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#### Planning and assessment



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Site selection and preliminary investigations

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

Notice of Intent (NoI) lodged with the Environment Protection Authority Tasmania (EPA)

EPBC Act referral decision

Project Specific Guidelines for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) issued by the EPA

Studies, assessments and iterating site design

Development application (DA) and EIS submitted to Burnie City Council

DA and EIS referred by Council to the EPA

Preliminary assessment by Council and the EPA

DA and EIS on exhibition for public submissions

Responses to public submissions and requests for additional information from stakeholders (if required)

Assessment by the EPA Board

Determination by the EPA Board and approval conditions provided to Council and DAWE

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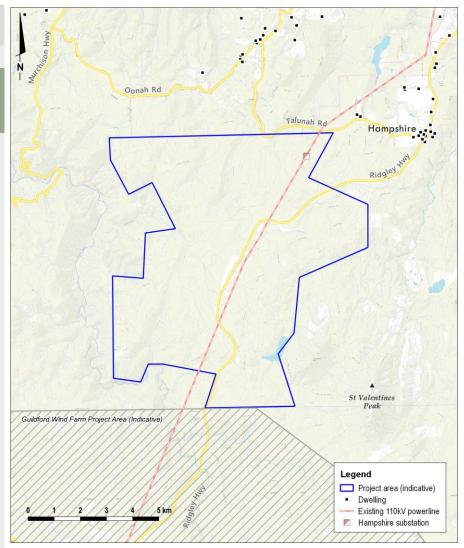
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**Determination by DAWE** 

Assessment by Council

**Determination by Council** 



Map shows the project area for the proposed Hellyer Wind Farm and the adjacent area to the south for another proposed renewable energy project, Guildford Wind Farm.

#### Questions and comments

Epuron values input from members of the local community and other interested parties to help shape the project and maximise benefits.

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

#### Register for project updates

We want to keep local community members up to date on the project and opportunities to provide feedback. To receive updates via email please register online at <u>epuron.com.au/mailing-list-details</u> or to receive updates in the mail please email your postal address and a request to join the mailing list to the project team (details below). We respect your privacy and your personal details will only be used for this purpose.

#### More information

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