

Our ref: SSD-10461

Mr Jeremy Ellis
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By email

21/06/2022

Subject: Valley of the Winds Wind Farm – Response to Submissions

Dear Mr Ellis

The exhibition of the Environmental Impact Statement for the Valley of the Winds Wind Farm concluded on 20 June 2022.

We have placed all submissions on the NSW planning portal at: <https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/valley-winds-wind-farm>. The advice from the Department's Biodiversity Conservation and Science Directorate, Transport for NSW, DPE Water, Crown Lands and NSW Rural Fire Service are still outstanding and will be forwarded to you once received.

We now require a written response to the full range of matters and recommendations raised in the submissions (including from Councils) and agency advice, as required under section 59(2) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021*. The written response must be in the form of a submissions report that has been prepared having regard to the *State Significant Development Guidelines* (SSD Guidelines). The *Preparing a Submissions Report Guideline* forms part of the SSD Guidelines (Appendix C).

In this regard, once you have had a chance to review the submissions, the Department would like to meet with you to discuss the issues raised. We require a submissions report by **Friday 23 September 2022**. Please lodge your response by progressing the application on the NSW planning portal

<https://majorprojects.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/>.

Note that the time between the date of this letter and the date the Planning Secretary receives your response are not included in the 'assessment period' under section 94(1) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021*.

If you have any questions, please contact Natasha Homsey on (02) 8275 1264 or at Natasha.Homsey@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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