

Letter of support for the Winterbourne Wind Farm (proposal ID SSD-10471).

- Walcha’s local Businesses will benefit greatly with a boost of extra money to spend in the community.
- The Community Benefit Fund of \$750,000 per year for the life of the project will have a huge impact on investments in local groups, sporting clubs and organisations.
- Many landowners who will be hosting Wind Towers will benefit from improved infrastructure on their properties such as roads, gravel pits, level sites for buildings and new fencing.
- There will be increased business opportunities to provide accommodation, food and other services.
- Turbine Host farmers will have the opportunity to earn extra income and will have more money to spend on employment, investment in farm infrastructure and supporting more local businesses.
- It will have a very positive impact on the local population with new jobs during construction and project operation.
- The Walcha community is a role model to other communities in having a large scale renewable energy project in its district and playing it’s part in reducing greenhouse gasses and the impacts of climate change.
- Many of the transport businesses in Walcha will benefit from the upgrades of the Oxley highway from Walcha to Bendemeer as well as many of the local roads that will service the project.