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To "Jeffrey Bembrick" <BembrickJ@conwag.com>
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Subject Re: Proposed Capital Wind Farm - Location Details
Project **Not assigned ...**

Hi Jeff

Thanks for your letter to AAAA regarding the proposed wind farm

AAAA's policy is not to provide specific comment on particular development proposals as the operational implications of each development will vary enormously depending on the site, the positioning of the turbines, orientation of affected paddocks relative to the turbines, the type of aerial application taking place, the aircraft used, the pilot's experience, the meteorological conditions, the site elevation etc etc.

This would require a separate expert risk assessment that would have to be carried out by a licenced aerial application pilot. This is standard practice in our industry for every application job. However, AAAA does not have the resources to undertake such on-site assessments, and that is why we advise wind farm developers to talk to the local aerial applicators who may be affected by the development.

Other than that, I simply make the following observations:

a.. positioning of wind farms may affect local aerial application operations, depending on the particular site. Impacts could vary from affecting flight lines to treatment height and accuracy, manoeuvring areas and possibly take-off and landing splays if an airfield is nearby.

b.. it may not be the land or farm that the wind farm is to be situated on that will be affected. Neighbouring farms, especially any with borders close to the windfarm site, would need to be liaised with closely to ensure there are no impacts.

c.. a key impact may not be the turbines themselves, but the positioning of any powerline that would lead from the windfarm substation back to the grid, or any other above ground powerline that would be put in to support the development. Again, consultation with local operators is the key, and if there are any concerns one alternative may be to mark any difficult to see sections of the wire with the new marking system developed by AAAA and Country Energy in NSW. AAAA has contacts for the relevant Manager in Country Energy.

Sensible solutions are those generally worked out locally, and as long as you are discussing these matters with any applicators or neighbouring farms that may be affected, AAAA can make no further suggestions.

I am sorry that I am not be able to be more definitive, but again, the key issue is whether you have consulted with the local operator and how close to the boundary of neighbouring properties the site is and whether you have consulted with those neighbours.

Please email or call me to discuss if you need any further information or explanation.

Yours sincerely

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Subject: Proposed Capital Wind Farm - Location Details

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> Project Code: 7080 04
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> Hi Phil
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> The attached provides details of the location of the proposed Capital
Wind
> Farm for which a Major Projects Application will be lodged this month
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> Please advise if any comments on the proposal
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> Regards
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> Jeff Bembrick
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