

EXHIBITION OF STATE SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION VALLEY OF THE WINDS WIND FARM

Application No	SSD-10461
Location	Approximately 4 km south of Coolah and 3 km north east of Leadville
Applicant	UPC\AC Renewables Australia
Council Area	Warrumbungle Shire
Consent Authority	Minister for Planning or Independent Planning Commission
Description of proposal	
Development of a wind farm with up to 148 wind turbines, energy storage and associated infrastructure.	

About the exhibition

An exhibition process allows any individual or organisation to have their say about a proposed development.

The Department of Planning and Environment (Department) has received a State significant development (SSD) application for the abovementioned project. The application, environmental impact statement, and accompanying documents are on exhibition from **Monday 23 May 2022** until **Monday 20 June 2022**. You can view these documents online at <u>www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects</u>.

At the time of publishing this advertisement, the Minister for Planning has not directed that a public hearing should be held.

Controlled Action under Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act)

Development in NSW can be subject to Commonwealth legislation, depending on the circumstances.

The Commonwealth Minister for the Environment has decided that the proposed development – known as Valley of the Winds wind farm (2020/8668) for Commonwealth purposes – is a "controlled action" under the EPBC Act.

The EPBC Act Part 3, Division 1 controlled provisions are:

- Sections 18 and 18A (listed threatened species and communities); and
- Sections 20 and 20A (listed migratory species).

The proposed development 2020/8668 will be assessed under Part 4 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. The assessment will be in accordance with the Bilateral Agreement between NSW and the Commonwealth, made under the EPBC Act. The assessment will be done in the manner specified in Schedule 1 of the Bilateral Agreement. The public notice for the project may be found at www.environment.gov.au/epbc/public-notices.

Have your say

The Department encourages online submissions, particularly during times when mobility may be impacted by COVID-19 restrictions. To have your say online, search for this project at <u>www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects</u> and click on 'Make a submission'. You will need to log in or create a user account.

If you cannot submit online, post your submission to the address below, to arrive before the close of exhibition. If you want your personal information to be withheld before publication, please clarify this at the top of your cover letter and do not include personal details in your submission.

If you choose to send a paper-based submission, it is important that both the submission and mailing envelope are addressed to the nominated contact person below:

Please be aware that if you choose to send a paper-based submission and it is not addressed to the nominated contact person, the submission will not be received by the Department and will instead be returned to sender.

Please include:

- your name and address at the top of the letter only (or in a separate cover letter if you want your personal details to be withheld from publication);
- the name of the project and the application number;
- a statement on whether you 'support' or 'object' to the application or if you are simply providing comment;
- the reasons why you support or object to the application; and
- a declaration of any reportable political donations you have made in the last two years (visit www.planning.nsw.gov.au/DonationsandGiftDisclosure or phone 1300 305 695 to find out more).

Privacy statement: Before making your submission, read our Privacy Statement at <u>www.planning.nsw.gov.au/privacy</u> or call 1300 305 695 for a copy. We will publish your submission on our website in accordance with our Privacy Statement.

For more information: Contact (02) 8275 1264 or 1300 305 695

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