

9 August 2024 Contact: Justine Clarke Telephone: 0457 535 955

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## Junction Rivers Wind Farm (SSD-30448824) - EIS exhibition

Dear Ms Bandaruk,

Thank you for your referral dated 11 July 2024 seeking WaterNSW's comment on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Junctions River Wind Farm, located south of the town of Balranald, NSW. We understand that the project includes the installation, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of up to 96 wind turbine generators (WTGs), and associated infrastructure.

WaterNSW has reviewed the EIS and found that the proposal is not located near any WaterNSW land, assets or infrastructure, therefore we have no particular comments or requirements regarding the proposal.

Should the extraction of water from existing or new groundwater bores or water from other sources covered under the relevant water sharing plan be required, the proponent will need to apply for a Water Access Licence (WAL). Any such request will be assessed at time of application and are subject to availability.

WaterNSW requests the Department continues to consult with WaterNSW for any development that may impact on our assets, infrastructure or land, using the email address Environmental.Assessments@waternsw.com.au.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at justine.clarke@waternsw.com.au.

Yours sincerely,

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