

Uungula Wind Farm

Appendix H

Statement of Commitments

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| Management Plans | | | | | | | | |
| Detailed Design | Minimise Impact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The project will be designed and constructed with the key objective to reduce environmental impacts. This will include avoiding and minimising impacts where practicable. | Proponent and Construction Contractor | ✓ | | | | EM001 |
| General | Minimise Impact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An Environmental Management System (EMS) will be developed which outlines practices and procedures to be followed during construction and operation of the development. | Proponent | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | EM002 |
| | Minimise Impact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An Environmental Management Plan (EMP) will be developed by the construction contractor to outline environmental management measures and procedures to be implemented during construction. This will include sub-plans to address: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water quality; Air quality; Heritage; Biodiversity; Noise and vibration; Environmental Incident response and notification; Traffic; Waste; Contamination (including unexpected finds); Storage of chemicals, oils and fuels; High risk activities; and Training and induction. | Construction Contractor | ✓ | | | | EM003 |
| | Minimise Impact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All employees and contractors will attend a project induction including details of environmental approvals, site management requirements and an overview of sub-plans contained in the EMP. | Proponent and Construction Contractor | | ✓ | ✓ | | EM004 |
| Landscape and Visual | | | | | | | | |

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| Visual Amenity | Minimise Impact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visual impact mitigation measures will be offered to owners of non-involved neighbouring residences where there is opportunity to significantly reduce potential visual impacts from the proposal. Visual impact mitigation measures may include landscaping, screen plantings, provision of awnings/blinds, which can be located on the owner’s land to minimise visual impacts of the WTG at the residence and its curtilage. Mitigation measures will be determined through consultation with the owner, be reasonable and feasible, and directed towards reducing the visual impacts of WTG on the residences, commensurate with the level of visual impact. However, this mitigation measure will not apply where the Proponent has an agreement with the relevant owner/s of these residences with regard to visual impact. | Proponent | ✓ | ✓ | | | LV001 |
| | Minimise Impact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design and siting of the ESF and Ancillary Infrastructure will be considered to minimise visual impact. This will include for example, retention of existing vegetation and selecting building materials and finishes to reduce reflectivity and be sympathetic to existing landscape. | Proponent | ✓ | ✓ | | | LV002 |
| Impact to Receivers | Minimise Impact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To minimise impact from external lighting, lighting will be low intensity lighting (except where required for safety or emergency purposes), erected to not shine above the horizontal and comply with Australian Standard AS 4282 (INT) 1997 — Control of Obtrusive Effects of Outdoor Lighting, or its latest version. If aviation hazard lighting is required, an aviation hazard lighting plan will be prepared in consultation with CASA and installed to comply with CASA's requirements. | Proponent | ✓ | ✓ | | | LV003 |
| Noise and Vibration | | | | | | | | |
| Construction Exceedance | Noise Minimisation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construction work will be restricted to the following hours: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday to Friday – 7 am to 6 pm; Saturday – 8 am to 1 pm; and No construction work on Sundays or public holidays. Notwithstanding works undertaken outside these hours may occur where the activity is inaudible, for emergency works, delivery of certain materials, in accordance with Environmental Planning and Assessment (COVID-19 Development – Construction Work Days) Order 2020 or where agreement from the Secretary has been provided. | Proponent and Construction Contractor | ✓ | ✓ | | | NV001 |

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| | Compliance | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construction and decommissioning activities will be managed to minimise noise impact in accordance with the Interim Construction Noise Guidelines 2009 and outlined in the EMP. This may include maximising separation distances, use of acoustic barriers, acoustic enclosures, scheduling work and / or modifying work practices. | Proponent and Construction Contractor | | ✓ | | | NV002 |
| WTG Noise Exceedance | Operational Compliance | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noise generated by the operation of the WTG will not exceed the relevant noise criteria (refer Figures 8-7 to 8-12 of the EIS) at any non-associated resident. Where noise generated by the operation of WTG exceeds relevant noise criteria, landowner agreements will be offered to the relevant landowners and / or a noise curtailment regime will be established. | Proponent in consultation with EPA | | | ✓ | | NV003 |
| WTG compliance Operational Noise | Noise Compliance | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Proponent will prepare a Noise Compliance Management Plan post-Development Consent, prior to construction commencement, based on the Development Consent conditions and the selected WTG model. This will include a method and requirement to measure background noise at locations consistent with the performance objectives. | Proponent in consultation with EPA | | ✓ | | | NV004 |
| Biodiversity | | | | | | | | |
| Detailed Design | Minimisation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Micro-siting of WTGs and Ancillary Infrastructure will be undertaken to avoid habitat trees and previously unrecorded threatened flora species. | Proponent | | ✓ | | | BM001 |

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| Biodiversity Impacts during Construction | Minimise Impact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prior to the commencement of construction, a BMP will be developed in consultation with BCD. Pest and feral animal management strategies will be implemented to control vertebrate pest populations within the Project Site and minimise their spread to and from the Project Site. Weed management strategies will be implemented aiming at preventing and minimising the spread of priority weeds to and from, and within the Project Site. These include controlling any existing priority weed infestations prior to construction activities and implementing weed hygiene protocols. Pre-clearing surveys will be undertaken by a qualified ecologist to determine if roosts, nests or dens are present in any trees proposed for clearing. An ecologist/wildlife handler will be present to supervise during clearing of identified fauna roosting or nesting habitat. Impacts due to bird and bat strike from the Project will be monitored through the implementation of a BBAMP prepared in consultation with BCD. | Proponent and Construction Contractor | ✓ | ✓ | | | BM002 |
| Biodiversity Offsets | Compliance | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A BOS will be prepared prior to commencement of construction to demonstrate the Proponent's capability to provide the required biodiversity offsets in accordance with the NSW Biodiversity Offset Policy for Major Projects. Following construction contract award and subsequent detailed design of the Project (or stages as appropriate) the actual biodiversity offset liability will be calculated and will be secured within two years from commencement of construction. | Proponent | ✓ | ✓ | | | BM004 |
| Traffic and Transport | | | | | | | | |
| Traffic and Transport Impacts during Construction | Minimise Impact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prior to the commencement of construction, a TMP will be prepared for the Project in consultation with Transport for NSW and the relevant Councils. | Proponent and Construction Contractor | ✓ | | | | TM001 |
| | Minimise Impact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prior to transport, the OSOM transport route and Port of entry will be confirmed by the construction contractor. Following which, the TMP will be updated and accompanied with a route survey for approval from the DPIE. | Construction Contractor | ✓ | | | | TM002 |

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| | Minimise Impact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Road dilapidation surveys will be undertaken in accordance with guidelines and standards established by Austroads of the designated vehicle route prior to construction and decommissioning works and post construction and decommissioning. Following completion of construction and decommissioning works, any development related damage identified in post dilapidation survey will be rehabilitated / repaired. | Construction Contractor | ✓ | | | | TM003 |
| OSOM Loads | Minimise Impact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Road infrastructure upgrade works will be undertaken to allow heavy vehicle and OSOM movements along the transport routes, subject to final Port selection and transport route identification. Road upgrades would be undertaken in consultation with relevant road authorities and permits / approvals obtained under the <i>Roads Act 1993</i>. | Construction Contractor | ✓ | | | | TM004 |
| | Minimise Impact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> During peak traffic generation activities and movement of OSOM vehicles, escort vehicles and appropriate traffic management would be adopted to ensure safe passage from the public road network onto the Project Site. Relevant permits under the Heavy Vehicle National Law (NSW) for the use of over-dimensional vehicles will be sought by the construction contractor. | Construction Contractor | | ✓ | | | TM005 |
| Road upgrades | Minimise Impact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Twelve Mile Road intersection with Goolma Road will be upgraded prior to the commencement of construction generally in accordance with the drawing set entitled 'TMR/Goolma Road Intersection Preliminary Upgrade Design - Version 2'. | Proponent and Construction Contractor | ✓ | | | | TM006 |
| Road upgrades | Minimise Impact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Twelve Mile Road will be upgraded prior to the commencement of construction generally in accordance with the drawing included in the EIS as Appendix N (which are subject to detailed investigations and design). | Proponent and Construction Contractor | ✓ | | | | TM007 |
| Road upgrades | Minimise Impact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The parts of Ilgingery and Uungula Roads within the Development Corridor will be upgraded and maintained generally in accordance with Table 1 of the DRC submission "Uungula Wind Farm – Dubbo Regional Council Road Upgrades/Rectification Works": <i>"Construct intersections for safe exit and entry movements and to provide adequate wind farm component access."</i> | Proponent and Construction Contractor | ✓ | ✓ | | | TM008 |
| Traffic and Transport Impacts during Construction | Minimise Impact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to the Project Site by all OSOM, Heavy and Light Vehicles travelling from Goolma Road will only be via the western end of Twelve Mile Road. | Construction Contractor | | ✓ | | | TM009 |

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| Hazards / Risk | | | | | | | | |
| Aviation | Minimise | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prior to the construction of any wind monitoring mast or WTG, details including the coordinates, ground level, height, OLS and proposed hazard lighting of each will be provided to the CASA, Air Services Australia and the RAAF. | Proponent | ✓ | | | | HR001 |
| Aviation | Minimise | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Proponent will complete the Vertical Obstacle Notification Form for tall structures and submit the completed form to VOD@airservicesaustralia.com at three fixed times: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> upon Development Consent; one month prior to the construction of any WTG or wind monitoring mast; and on completion of the construction. Notifications will also be submitted if changes occur to the locations of the WTGs or Meteorological Masts at other times. | Proponent | ✓ | | ✓ | | HR012 |
| Aviation | Minimise | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Proponent will prepare a night lighting plan in consultation with CASA and other relevant agencies prior to the commencement of construction. It will include the recommended locations of lights across the Project, type, intensity, light wavelength, and other operating conditions. | Proponent | ✓ | | | | HR013 |
| Aviation | Minimise | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Proponent will paint the top one third of Meteorological Masts in alternating contrasting bands of colour in accordance with the Manual of Standards for Part 139 of the Civil Aviation Safety Regulations 1998. | Proponent | | | ✓ | | HR014 |
| Aviation | Minimise | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To the extent permitted by the Transmission Network Service Provider or powerline owner, and considerate of operational and functional requirements, powerline marker balls (or similar physical demarcation) will be installed on the overhead transmission line which connects the Project to the grid connection point. For the absence of doubt this will not include the short lengths of overhead transmission lines connecting the Substation to the existing 330kV powerline. | Proponent in consultation with TransGrid | | | ✓ | | HR015 |
| Telecommunications | Minimise | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Micrositing of WTG 105 and 106 will be undertaken to minimise adverse impact to the microwave link (7 GHz range) and (UHF link in the 400 MHz range). If the development causes a disruption to any radio communication services in the area, the disruption to the service will be repaired as soon as possible following the event. | Proponent | ✓ | | ✓ | | HR002 |

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| Electromagnetic Fields | Minimise | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engineering and administrative controls will be used to reduce the potential for EMF emissions in accordance with <i>Interim guidelines on limits of exposure to 50/60 Hertz electric and magnetic fields</i> ARPANSA/National Health and Medical Research Council and Overhead Line Design AS/NZS 7000. . | Proponent | ✓ | ✓ | | | HR003 |
| Low Frequency Noise and Infrastructure | Minimise | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To mitigate and negate any perceived health-related impacts from low-frequency noise and infrasound, the following is recommended: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noise levels to comply with the applicable noise guidelines, unless an agreement is in place with the affected landowners; and The proposed WTGs are to be constructed with blades upwind of the tower resulting in significantly decreased infrasound noise levels that are well below the level of perception and acceptable noise levels for wind farm developments in rural areas in Australia. | Proponent | ✓ | ✓ | | | HR004 |
| Shadow Flicker and Blade Glint | Minimise | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shadow flicker associated with WTG will not exceed 30 hours per year at any non-associated resident. | Proponent | ✓ | ✓ | | | HR005 |
| Bushfire and Electrical Fire | Minimise Risk | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A minimum 10 m APZ will be established around each WTG, the compound for the operation and maintenance facilities, the ESF and Substations. The APZs will be established and maintained in accordance with the Rural Fire Services Planning for Bushfire Protection 2019. | Proponent and Construction Contractor | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | HR006 |
| | Minimise Risk | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In consultation with the RFS, procedures will be developed to manage potential fires on site during construction and operation. This will include high risk tasks, seasonal constraints, fuel load management, mitigation strategies and emergency response procedures. | Proponent and Construction Contractor | ✓ | ✓ | | | HR007 |
| | Minimise Risk | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> During construction and operation, the site will be suitably equipped to respond to fires on site. This may include for example a fire fighting trailer, temporary and permanent water storage units, filling points for fire tanker units, emergency information cabinets, etc | Construction Contractor | ✓ | ✓ | | | HR008 |

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| | Minimise Risk | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prior to the commencement of construction, and where the ESF forms part of the Project, a fire Safety Study (FSS) will be undertaken following the requirements of Hazardous Industry Planning Advisory Paper No.2 – Fire Safety Study Guidelines 2011 to address the risk of external fire impacting on the ESF and a fire initiated in the ESF spreading off the site. The ESF will have a suitable fire detection and suppression system based on the most appropriate for the technology (e.g. Novec 1230 or equivalent for lithium-based batteries). | Construction Contractor | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | HR009 |
| | Minimise Risk | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A fire Safety Study (FSS) will be undertaken following the requirements of Hazardous Industry Planning Advisory Paper No.2 – Fire Safety Study Guidelines 2011 to address the risk of external fire impacting on the ESF and a fire initiated in the ESF spreading off the site. | Proponent | ✓ | | | | HR010 |
| Blade Throw | Minimise Risk | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> WTG components will be manufactured and certified to current best practice Australian and international (IEC 61400-23) safety standards and are equipped with sensors that can react to any imbalance in the rotor blades and shut down the WTG if necessary. WTGs will be subject to stringent safety and security measures including regular maintenance and servicing (within an ISO90001 Quality Assurance system Contactors certified in the manufacture, delivery, build, inspection, maintenance and repair of WTG components will be employed. | Proponent and Construction Contractor | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | HR011 |
| Emergency Management | Minimise Risk | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An Emergency Response Plan will be prepared prior to construction commencement in consultation with relevant agencies which includes emergency response measures for (among other things) bushfires and HAZMAT incidents, site hazards relevant to emergency responders. The plan will be stored in a prominent place adjacent the main entry point(s) to the Project. The plan will be maintained and updated as the Project development status changes (e.g. construction->operations). The LEMC will be briefed on the contents of the ERP prior to commencement of construction, during construction, and during operations. The local RFS Brigade and other relevant emergency response agencies will be provided with a site tour at various stages of the development. | Proponent and relevant agencies | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | HR016 |
| Detailed Design | Minimise Risk | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detailed design will consider property access requirements detailed in the Bushfire Appendix (as adapted from Table 5.3b of BPB). | Proponent and Construction contractors | ✓ | | | | HR017 |

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| Bushfire Management | Minimise Risk | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Bushfire Emergency Management and Operations Plan will be prepared prior to commencement of construction which identifies all relevant risks and mitigation measures associated with the construction and operation of the Project. | Proponent | ✓ | | | | HR018 |
| Aboriginal Heritage | | | | | | | | |
| Aboriginal Items | Heritage Avoid | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A CHMP will be prepared in consultation with DPIE and Aboriginal stakeholders which will include a description of the objectives, methods, and outcomes of any proposed mitigation methods including artefact salvage and community collections. The CHMP will include an unexpected finds procedure. Additional archaeological assessment will be carried out if any new impacts are to occur outside the Development Corridor. Design and ground disturbance will be undertaken to minimise impact to heritage items. If cultural heritage material is located during works that work will cease immediately and a suitably qualified archaeologist engaged to ascertain whether the material is of cultural origins and if so, they will advise how to proceed. If human remains are found, works should immediately cease, and the NSW Police should be contacted. If the remains are suspected to be Aboriginal, the BCD may be contacted to assist in determining appropriate management. | Proponent and Construction Contractor | ✓ | ✓ | | | AH001 |
| Historic Heritage | | | | | | | | |
| Historic Items | Heritage Avoid | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Record and assess historical significance of well located within Survey Area 19 before works proceed within a 10 m radius of the well. If potential historic heritage is identified all work within a 10 m radius of the site will cease and advice sought from an historic archaeologist. If required, notification under Section 146 of the Heritage Act would be undertaken and works would not recommence in the area until permitted. | Proponent and Construction Contractor | ✓ | ✓ | | | HH001 |
| Water and Soils | | | | | | | | |
| Water Use | Minimise | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water licences for the development will be obtained in accordance with the <i>Water Management Act 2000</i>. | Construction Contractor | ✓ | | | | WS002 |

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| Water Resources (Including Groundwater, Aquatic and Riparian Environments) | Minimise | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A water quality monitoring program will be developed by the construction contractor as part of the water quality management plan. The monitoring program will devise suitable measures to monitor and record on water quality at those watercourses directly impacted from the construction activities. Where required, VRZs will be established in accordance with the Guidelines for controlled activities on waterfront land Riparian corridors, NSW Department of Industry Guidelines 2018 and Table 8-39 of the EIS. Watercourse crossings will be designed and constructed in accordance with DPI Water's <i>Controlled activities on waterfront land – Guidelines for watercourse crossings on waterfront land</i> (DPI Water, 2012), <i>Why Do Fish Need to Cross the Road? Fish Passage Requirements for Waterway Crossings</i> (2004) and <i>Controlled Activities: Guidelines for laying pipes and cables in watercourses on waterfront land</i> (DPI Water, 2012). To manage downstream flows and erosion, consideration will be given to appropriate stormwater devices including culverts, rock armouring, scour protection and / or detention basins. Road design and mitigation structures will be appropriately placed during detailed design to ensure that flows will not differ significantly from the current situation. For each transformer provision will be made in the design for primary and secondary containment of any oil that may leak or spill from the transformers or associated components. | Construction Contractor | ✓ | ✓ | | | WS003 |
| Geology | Minimise | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Further geotechnical investigation will be undertaken to better understand the constraints of any part of the Development Corridor intersecting with Karst areas identified in the Wellington LEP (mapped as the Cuga Burga Volcanics / Gregra Group). | Proponent | ✓ | ✓ | | | WS004 |
| Geology | Minimise | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Proponent will undertake a geotechnical survey prior to construction commencement which will identify soil types with the results to inform an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan (ESCP). The Proponent will include the principles of a closure strategy in the EMS prepared during post-consent with results of the geotechnical survey (and soil type investigation) informing the plan content. | Proponent | ✓ | | | | WS007 |

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| Erosion | Minimise | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As part of the EMP the contractor will prepare an erosion and sedimentation control sub plan. The plan will be prepared in accordance with the Blue Book <i>Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction</i> (Landcom, 2004) and include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Site constraints and receiving waters; Stockpile management; Temporary site stabilisation and progressive revegetation; Management measures for disturbance of sodic soils; Separation of clean and dirty water; Progressive erosion and sediment controls drawings prepared by a Certified Professional in Erosion and Sediment Control; and An inspection, monitoring and maintenance schedule. Areas used for temporary construction compound and laydown areas during construction and those areas subject to temporary construction impacts will be restored to original condition and revegetated to achieve the ground cover and erosion minimisation goals. | Proponent and Construction Contractor | ✓ | ✓ | | | WS005 |
| Contamination | Avoid | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Onsite refuelling shall occur in a dedicated area that is located greater than 100m from the nearest drainage line, on an impervious, flat and bunded surface (such as an appropriate drip tray). Dangerous and hazardous materials will be stored on site in accordance with AS1940-2004: The storage and handling of flammable and combustible liquids. The concrete batching plants and Substation are suitably bunded. As the site is located in the catchment area for the Burrendong Dam, fire water containment will be addressed as part of any fire mitigation strategy. | Proponent and Construction Contractor | | ✓ | | | WS006 |
| Erosion and revegetation | and Minimise | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Areas used for temporary construction compound and laydown areas during construction and those areas subject to temporary construction impacts will be restored to original condition and revegetated to achieve the ground cover and erosion minimisation goals (unless the landholder requests some temporary construction areas be left in place). | Proponent | | ✓ | | | WS008 |
| Erosion | Minimise Impact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prior to the commencement of construction, the Proponent will prepare an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan and Water Quality Management Plan in consultation with DPIE Water. | Proponent | | ✓ | | | WS009 |

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| Resource Requirements and Waste | | | | | | | | |
| Resource Requirements and Waste | Minimise and Avoid | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wastes will be classified in accordance with the NSW EPA Waste Classification Guidelines – Part 1: classifying waste (EPA 2014) and addendum (EPA 2016). All waste will be handled and stored on site in accordance with its classification and disposed of at appropriately licensed waste facilities. Provisions as per the ADG Code for the packaging, transportation of spent lithium-ion batteries to collection and/or recycling facilities. An export permit under section 40 of the Hazardous Waste Act will be obtained prior to spent batteries being exported. | Proponent | ✓ | ✓ | | | RRW001 |
| Socio-Economic Factors | | | | | | | | |
| Socio-Economic Factors | Minimise | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recruitment of construction staff, contractors and suppliers from the local areas and purchase of local products will be encouraged during all phases of the development. The Proponent will liaise with local industry and local councils if there is a conflict arising from demand for accommodation and related services. | Proponent | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | SE001 |