

Development Proposal

Development Application: Woodlawn Wind Farm

Reference DA 250-10-2004-i
Location The proposed site for the wind farm is located on two adjacent properties, Woodlawn and Pylara off Collector Road, near Tarago, approximately 50 km north-east of Canberra and approximately 37 km south of Goulburn.
Applicants Woodlawn WindEnergy Joint Venture (comprising EHN (Oceania) Pty Ltd, Collex Pty Ltd, ANZ Infrastructure Services and ActewAGL).
Council area Greater Argyle and Eastern Capital City Regional
Consent authority Minister for Infrastructure and Planning

Description of proposal
The proposed development would consist of the construction of a wind farm to generate electricity (50 MW), comprising:

- installation of 25 individual wind turbines, made up of a concrete subsurface foundation, a 60m (19 turbines) or 78m (6 turbines) tower, and three rotor blades each of 40m length (the top of the blade sweep would be approximately 100m (19 turbines) and approximately 118m (6 turbines) above ground level);
- an underground electrical cable network, linking each turbine to a substation;
- an electrical substation with a transformer to step up power from 22 to 66 kV and site control room / facilities building;
- a 66kV overhead transmission line (approximately 2.9 km in length) from the proposed substation to an existing 66kV line running from the Woodlawn Bioreactor site to Queanbeyan;
- internal network of tracks, accessed from Collector Road via Pylara farm or via the Woodlawn Bioreactor Facility entrance; and
- a viewing platform located within Pylara, accessed from Collector Road and adjacent to the intersection of Collector Road and Bungendore Road.

The associated works would include landscaping and restoration of the site, following completion of the construction phase.

State significant development
The proposal is classified as State significant development by virtue of a declaration made by the Minister Assisting the Minister for Infrastructure and Planning (Planning Administration) on 4 August 2004 under section 76A(7)(b) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act*.

Integrated development
Under section 91 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act* the proposal is classified as integrated development because, in addition to development consent, it requires a:

- licence from the Department of Environment and Conservation under the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act*;
- permit from the Department of Environment and Conservation under the *National Parks and Wildlife Act*;
- permit from the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Natural Resources under the *Rivers and Foreshores Improvement Act*; and
- consent from Greater Argyle Council under Section 139 of the *Roads Act*.

Designated development
The proposal is classified as designated development and is supported by an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

Exhibition
The DA and accompanying EIS will be on exhibition from Thursday, 21 October 2004 until Monday 22 November 2004, during regular business hours, at:

Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Natural Resources
• Information Centre, 20 Lee Street, Sydney
• Suite 101, Level 1, Riverside Plaza, 131 Monaro Street, Queanbeyan

Eastern Capital City Regional Council
• 11 Farrer Place, Queanbeyan NSW
• 144 Wallace Street, Braidwood NSW

Greater Argyle Council
• Civic Centre, 184-194 Bourke Street, Goulburn NSW

Nature Conservation Council
• Level 5, 362 Kent Street, Sydney

You may view a copy of the executive summary of the EIS at www.dipnr.nsw.gov.au and a copy of the entire EIS at the project website at www.woodlawnwind.com.au. Copies of the EIS are available for purchase from the Department's Information Centre (9762 8044) or Eastern Capital City Regional Council (1300 735 025) or Greater Argyle Council (4823 4444) for \$27.50 (\$11.00 for CD copies) (including GST, plus postage and handling).

Submissions
You are invited to make a written submission on this proposal. This submission should include:

- your name and address;
- the DA number (DA 250-10-2004-i);
- a statement on whether you support or object to the proposal; and
- the reasons why you support or object to the proposal.

Your submission must reach the Department by close of business on Monday 22 November 2004, and should be addressed to:

Director, Major Infrastructure Assessment
Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Natural Resources
GPO Box 3927
SYDNEY NSW 2001
Reference: DA 250-10-2004-i

The *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act* requires the Department to send copies of submissions to those government agencies that have an approval role. Copies may also be provided to the applicant or other interested parties in some circumstances, but the names and addresses would be withheld. If you do not want your submission to be made available to the applicant or other interested parties, please state this in your submission.

Appeal Rights
If you made a submission objecting to the proposal then you would have certain appeal rights under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act*. These appeal rights do not apply if a Commission of Inquiry is held into the proposed development.

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