

## **Submission opposing Crudine Ridge Wind Farm Mod 1**

I wish to register my objection to the modifications to the Crudine Ridge Wind Farm. The wind farm developer has just been fined for illegal clearing of land which more than likely had flora of high conservation value. The damage has been done, and we will never know the worst of it.

This wilful destruction for one single event – to transport longer blades to a wind farm - is indicative of a disregard for our environment.

The developer should be ordered to repair the damage and regenerate all the vegetation that has been have removed.

Longer blades also increase the rotor sweep and therefore the risk to bats and birds.

The impact of the proposed longer blade must be re-assessed by the Department of Environment and Energy for bat and bird strike given that the blade sweeps only 23m above ground level.

No environmental impact assessment has been made for the increased blade length, which is a totally different proposition to that originally proposed. This is a new wind farm proposal and should be treated as such.

This modification must be totally rejected, and the proponent requested to submit a full EIS based on a 37-turbine wind farm with no further clearing of the access road.

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