



NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE

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Your reference: SSD 10315
Our reference: DA-2019-01840-EIS & DA
Exhibition-1

ATTENTION: Jess Fountain

Date: Monday 10 May 2021

Dear Sir/Madam,

State Significant Development - Electricity Generating Works
Request for comments - exhibited Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)
Notice of Exhibition - Bowmans Creek Wind Farm (SSD-10315) SINGLETON NSW, (none)

Reference is made to correspondence dated 26/03/2021 seeking comments regarding the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) currently being exhibited, for the above State Significant Development in accordance with the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

The New South Wales Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) has reviewed the EIS and provides the following comments;

The NSW RFS recommends the following conditions be included in any approvals granted:

1. A Fire Management Plan (FMP) shall be prepared in consultation with NSW RFS Hunter Valley Fire Control Centre. The FMP shall include:
 - 24 hour emergency contact details including alternative telephone contact;
 - Site infrastructure plan;
 - Fire fighting water supply plan;
 - Site access and internal road plan;
 - Construction of Asset Protection Zones (APZ) and their continued maintenance;
 - Location of hazards (Physical, Chemical and Electrical) that will impact on fire fighting operations and procedures to manage identified hazards during fire fighting operations;
 - Such additional matters as required by the NSW RFS District Office (FMP review and updates).
2. A minimum 10 m asset protection zone (APZ) around wind farm infrastructure. APZs will be established and maintained around WTG sites and substation compounds. APZ are to be in accordance with the requirements of Appendix 4 of Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2019' and the NSW Rural Fire Service's document 'Standards for Asset Protection Zones'.
3. A 20,000 litre water supply (tank) fitted with a 65mm storz fitting shall be located at each substation compound within the required APZ.

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4. To allow for emergency service personnel to undertake property protection activities, a 10 metre defendable space (APZ) that permits unobstructed vehicle access is to be provided around the perimeter of each of the WTG sites and substation compounds

5. Internal access roads will be designed, as described in Section 3, of the EIS Vol 1 dated March 2021, and regularly maintained to ensure good trafficability. The access tracks will be suitable for use by local bush fire firefighting tankers.

For any queries regarding this correspondence, please contact Alan Bawden on 1300 NSW RFS.

Yours sincerely,

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