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# Construction of the 396 MW Rye Park Wind Farm project is well underway, bringing investment and jobs to the region.

We continue to make good progress on the wind turbines with 40 now up and ready for commissioning. The commissioning process first involves fitting out the turbines before going through a series of tests to demonstrate they are performing as they should. Over the coming months you will continue to see different turbines spinning as we test them and gradually start increasing generation. All the energy produced currently is being put to good use supporting Newcrest Mining's operations in NSW.

Construction updates are distributed monthly with regular newsletters. Please make sure you're signed up to receive the updates via email or SMS notification.

#### This September newsletter includes updates on:

- What's happening onsite
- What's happening on the roads
- Benefit sharing

## PROJECT SNAPSHOT

**Number of Turbines:** 66

**Blade Tip Height:** 200m

Operations & Maintenance Buildings: 1

Collection
Substations: 1

Connection
Substations: 1

Concrete Batch Plants: 3

Construction
Compounds: 3

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## **PROJECT UPDATE**

## What's happening on site?

The generation commissioning process is picking up pace with 29 of the 40 turbines already erected going through testing. All underground cabling and overhead lines are also now complete along with the northern and southern substations.

In the coming months we will continue the testing process and as we successfully complete each test we will be able to export more generation to the grid.

### **Key Construction Stats:**

- 40 / 66 turbines now erected
- 48 / 66 tower bases installed
- 66 / 66 foundations poured



Figure 1: Our first generating turbine

## **Project registration**

The Rye Park Wind Farm was officially registered to operate in the National Energy Market in August. This was a very important milestone for the Project and required to move to the next stage of the commissioning process.





## What's happening on the roads?

Our maintenance crews continue to undertake regular inspections of the local road network with a focus on Cooks Hill, Dalton, Grassy Creek and Rye Park Roads.

## **OSOM** update

Turbine component deliveries continue Monday through Saturday. The OSOM deliveries are now starting to head south and will use the southern entry point to site. Please allow extra time for your journey if travelling on the OSOM route in the morning. Tips for approaching an OSOM delivery:

- · Reduce your speed and prepare to stop if necessary
- Be patient. Do not overtake, you will be given an opportunity to pass when it is safe
- Be prepared for unexpected wind buffeting when given the opportunity to pass
- · Follow instructions given by the traffic escort

#### **SAFETY ON THE ROADS**

Contact us if you have any concerns about the roads or traffic. Please also contact us if you have any concerns about project vehicle behavior.

To assist our investigations please note the number plate or provide a photo of the vehicle and call us on 1800 WE TILT (938 458).





### BENEFIT SHARING UPDATE



Tilt Renewables is committed to sharing the benefits of the Rye Park Wind Farm with the local community. As part of the construction phase of the Project, we have committed to a number of programs that support the objectives of the Benefit Sharing Plan. Below are some of our recent investments and updates on ongoing programs.

## **Country Education Foundation Scholarships**

Please join us in congratulating our scholarship recipients:

- Benjamin Klose Bachelor of Accounting, University of Canberra CEF Boorowa
- Emily Targett Bachelor of Nursing, University of Wollongong CEF Yass Valley
- Jayden Cutting Bachelor of Health Science, University of Canberra CEF Griffith
- Josh Flick Bachelor of Agricultural Business Management, Charles Sturt University Wagga Wagga
- Ruby Sicily Bachelor of Social Work, University of Wollongong CEF Yass
- Samuel Corkhill Bachelor of Communications and Media, University of Wollongong CEF Boorowa
- Taylah Cutting Bachelor of Primary Education, University of Wollongong CEF Boorowa

Rye Park's Josh Flick will be putting his scholarship towards his studies in agriculture

#### Local Foundation: CEF Boorowa

#### Course Studying: Bachelor of Agricultural Business Management

#### Institution

Charles Sturt University Wagga Wagga Growing up on the family farm, Josh has lived and breathed agriculture his whole life. Although he would eventually like to have his own farm, Josh plans to get work managing a farm after his studies.

Josh is completing the first year of a three-year Bachelor of Agricultural Business Management degree at Charles Sturt University's Wagga Wagga campus. He was awarded a \$2000 scholarship which he used to go towards the cost of accommodation on campus which is a bit over \$7000 per year.

"I've got a lot out of studying economics in my degree so far, especially learning about the business side of agriculture." Having recently completed his first semester of study, he said his proudest moment so far was achieving a high distinction in the Professional Skills unit.

Tilt Renewables Executive General Manager, Delivery, Tom Villiers, said its partnership with CEF allowed it to offer intergenerational benefits for the communities of Rye Park, Boorowa and Yass. "These students have demonstrated significant potential through hard work and perseverance with their studies and we hope with the assistance of these scholarships they will enjoy every success. It would be great to see them one day working in the renewables sector or even for Tilt Renewables," he said.



