

Dundonnell Wind Farm

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Construction is really ramping up

Wind Farm:

We accomplished a major milestone this month with the first turbine foundation excavation completed, and a number of others underway. The holes excavated for the wind turbine foundations are more than 20 metres wide and 3.5 metres deep.

Within the wind farm boundary, crews have continued to construct the main access track through the site. Construction works for the site compound are complete, with offices, lunch facilities and amenities now on site and in use. Workers have set up in the new facilities, and the satellite offices at the corner of Mortlake-Ararat and Woorndoo-Dundonnell roads have been decommissioned.

The upgrade works on the eight kilometres of public road along Woorndoo-Streatham Road are almost complete. Road users may notice the new signage, line markings and a much safer road.

Works on establishing the concrete batch plant, which will allow the mixing of concrete on site, and works on the on-site substation have also continued to progress.

Material deliveries have continued to arrive steadily including heavy plant and equipment, drainage pipes and cattle grids.

Business as usual activities are continuing at the quarry, with the crushing and screening of rock material which is then transported throughout the wind farm site and used as road construction material. Drill crews are also on-site and have commenced drilling in anticipation for the third quarry blast in the coming weeks.



Tilt Renewables Project Manager Matt Glass standing in the first turbine foundation excavation.

Transmission Line and Blue Gums Substation:

Transmission pole foundation construction activities are progressing well, with 49 pole foundations drilled, set and poured, with excavations now moving ahead of the concrete pouring work front.

Poles have also started to be erected at the southern end of the transmission line, between the Mortlake Power Station and the Hamilton Highway. Deliveries continue with reinforcing cages, hold down bolts and pole sections continuing to be delivered to the site yard and pole locations. The second delivery of poles arrived in the Port of Melbourne on the 30th of April and are being transported to site.

Works have commenced in the public road reserves of Castle Carey Road and soon will be commencing in Mortlake-Ararat Road.

Expect to see work crews, plant and equipment as well as traffic control in place on these roads for the next few months as the various construction phases progress.

The construction offices and site compound were established at the Blue Gums Substation, with the new access track being formed off Connewarren Lane.

RHS Image: Tilt Renewables Assistant Project Manager Mark Selvaratnam standing next to Pole 32, which is approximately 40 metres tall.



We'll continue to update you on what's happening during construction via weekly updates on the Dundonnell Wind Farm website at www.dundonnellwindfarm.com.au, as well as this newsletter and advertisements in the Mortlake Dispatch.

Local Michael Rose talks about his new role on the Dundonnell Wind Farm project

Keeping the local roads in top condition and minimising dust is just one of Michael Rose's jobs as he works on the roads around the Dundonnell Wind Farm. Originally from New Zealand, Michael moved to Australia for the prospect of a better job and better life. His first home in Australia was in Warrnambool, where he worked on social housing sites.

Now living in Koroit, Michael joined the Zenviron team and is busy preparing the local roads for the construction site.

Dundonnell, Woorndoo and Mortlake locals may see Michael driving his road maintenance truck along local roads, keeping them damp and compacted to reduce dust and ensure a smooth and safe driving experience for locals and construction vehicles alike.

As well as ensuring the region's roads are in top shape, Michael will also lay pipes at the foot of driveway entrances to protect them from run off. It's a big team effort with everyone working to ensure a quality job is done.

"It's interesting to see how much work actually goes into a wind farm. People think you just whack a track and stick them in but so much work is involved to make sure everything goes right".



Michael alongside his road maintenance truck.

"What I do love is being outdoors all the time – something my last job didn't offer and it's great working with a good team of people. Zenviron is in charge of this job and they are a great bunch of people to work for with a strong focus on safety and quality."

If you are looking for work please make sure you register your details on our goods and services register via the link on our website or drop in to visit Jay Dee in our Mortlake shopfront – the details are on page two of this newsletter.

Dundonnell Wind Farm celebration of construction commencement

On April 4, Tilt Renewables held an event to celebrate the commencement of construction at the Dundonnell Community Hall. The guests included many landowners, government officials and the Dundonnell Wind Farm team.

Landowner Will Lynch, one of the group of landholders who came up with the idea for the wind farm more than a decade ago, spoke about the 12-year journey they had been on to get to this point.



Tilt Renewables board Chairman Bruce Harker and CEO Deion Campbell were also present, with Deion saying, "we're delighted that many local businesses are already benefiting from the construction of the wind farm thanks to an increase in local economic activity."

Several local contractors were used on the day and a special thanks goes to the fantastic hospitality services of Anna Jamieson and her team.

Mortlake Office

Don't forget to drop in and say hello to Jay Dee, in our Mortlake shopfront at 97 Dunlop Street. The shopfront is open five days per week:

- Monday: 7am-11am • Tuesday: 9am-11am • Wednesday 9am-11am
- Thursday 9am-11am • Friday 9am-11am

