



Dundonnell Wind Farm

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The \$560m Dundonnell Wind Farm (DDWF) and the \$90m transmission connection have been installed ‘on time’ following a 600-day schedule.

The 336 MW DDWF is running at a maximum capacity of 295 MW, where all 80 turbines are able to be simultaneously tested while Hold Point Testing continues to support full commissioning. Site rehabilitation works are ongoing with a focus on re-seeding, weed management, batters and the rehabilitation of the onsite quarry.

Offsite Landscaping Program

We have commenced second-round offers to eligible dwellings to participate in the Offsite Landscaping Program. Dwellings within five kilometres of a wind turbine may be considered eligible dwellings for the program. An initial site visit by Tilt Renewables and a qualified landscape architect will review turbine visibility from the dwelling and if appropriate, a landscape mitigation plan will be developed.

If you would like to check your eligibility or have any questions regarding the Offsite Landscaping Program, call: **1800 WE TILT** or email:

dundonnellwindfarm@tiltrenewables.com

Please reference the Dundonnell Wind Farm Offsite Landscaping Program in your request. The program will remain open to eligible dwelling owners until May 2021.

KEY FACTS

- 336 MW maximum capacity
- 150m rotors
- 189 blade tip height
- 4.2MW generators
- 60,000m³ of concrete
- 5,300 tonnes of reinforcing steel
- 400 tower sections
- 240 blades
- 80 nacelles and hubs
- 65,000+ hours by apprentices, trainees and engineering cadets
- The Dundonnell Wind Farm has the capacity to produce enough clean energy to power about 245,000 homes – or more than enough for all of Ballarat, Warrnambool and Geelong.
- The project will save the emission of roughly 1.3 million tonnes of carbon. This is the equivalent of removing about 440,000 cars from our roads.

DUNDONNELL WIND FARM COMMUNITY FUND – Successful Recipients Announced

We are pleased to announce that the Dundonnell Wind Farm Community Fund, Round 1 of funding, is complete. We received a total of 18 applications, 10 of which we are able to fund and 2 will be funded by the Salt Creek Wind Farm Lend a Hand Fund.

The following projects are receiving funding:

1. **Darlington Mechanics Institute: \$2,200 towards a new water tank**
2. **Darlington CFA: \$500 towards a new sanitation trailer**
3. **Wickliffe Lake Bolac Football Netball Club: \$3,000 towards lighting upgrade works**
4. **Westmere Fire Brigades Group: \$6,028 towards new thermal imaging cameras**
5. **Mortlake & District Historical Society: \$1,000 to assist with the publication of a manuscript**
6. **Lake Bolac & District Bowling Club: \$1,000 towards recladding the clubroom walls**
7. **Derrinallum Yacht & Power Boat Club: \$3,000 towards a concreting project**
8. **Robert Burns Scottish Festival: \$1,000 to assist in the delivery of the festival**
9. **Derrinallum News & Natter: \$2,298 towards new technology**
10. **Streatham & District Historical Society: \$1,500 to replace interpretive signs**

SALT CREEK WIND FARM - Lend a Hand Fund

11. **Riding for the Disabled – Terang Group: \$1,560 towards new uniforms**
12. **Lake Bolac Music Club: \$1,500 towards stage curtains**

Round 2 applications will open on the 1st of July until 30th September, with successful applications awarded in October.

The Fund will deliver \$50,000 annually to successful small, largely non-profitable organisations and individuals in the community. The maximum grant from the Fund is up to \$25,000. The DDWF Community Fund Committee will also administer the \$15,000 worth of funds for education initiatives. Applications for this will open 1st September until 30th November with successful applications awarded in December.

TO APPLY:

Please visit
www.dundonnellwindfarm.com.au
to find out how you can apply.

Feel free to call or email us if you
have any questions: **1800 WE TILT** or
ddwfcommunityfund@tiltrenewables.com



PowAR Acquisition

Powering Australian Renewables (PowAR) and Mercury NZ have entered into a Scheme Implementation Agreement to acquire Tilt Renewables.

Under the Scheme, PowAR will effectively acquire Tilt Renewables Australian business and Mercury (an existing shareholder) will acquire Tilt Renewables New Zealand business. Tilt Renewables considers the acquisition is very positive for the continued growth of its development pipeline and progression of its key projects towards construction, including the Dundonnell Wind Farm project.

Nothing much is expected to change from a day-to-day perspective other than we will have a new owner who is committed to continuing Australia's transition to a renewable energy future.

PowAR is one of Australia's largest renewable energy investors and owners and is a partnership between QIC (Queensland Investment Corporation), Future Fund and AGL:

40% QIC = an investment company owned by the QLD Government, with around \$79B invested in a range of asset classes (infrastructure (transport, energy, utilities etc.), real estate, private capital, etc.)

40% Future Fund = Australian Government sovereign wealth fund that makes long term strategic investments, around \$160B fund across lots of asset classes

20% AGL = large vertically integrated electricity generator/retailer, rapidly acknowledging the urgency of action on climate, the transition to renewables and delivering on expectations for cleaner, reliable and affordable energy

These are exciting times for the business and the proposed acquisition provides further confidence in our development portfolio and growth prospects.

Subject to shareholder and regulatory approvals by the New Zealand and Australian Governments, implementation of the Scheme should occur in August 2021.

DDWF Community Engagement Committee

Every quarter we sit down with Councillors and community members as part of Moyne Shire Council's Advisory Committees, to help in the consultative process and to provide valuable information to support the decision making of the Council.

If you have anything you'd like raised at one of our CEC meetings, we encourage you to contact one of the Committee members or contact us directly.

The members are:

Cr Damian Gleeson	Tim Hill
Cr Ian Smith	Greg Grant
Cr Jim Doukas	David Sweatman
Karen Blackmore	

Meeting minutes are available to view or download via [Moyne Shire Council's website - click here](#)



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Federation University Scholarship

As part of the Benefit Sharing Plan for the Dundonnell Wind Farm, we sponsor the training of three students each year and will do so for ten years, to complete Global Wind Organisation Certified – Basic Technical Training.

Offered by Federation University, the program will increase the pool of qualified staff available for work during construction and operation, which creates a flow on effect to the employment rate of regional Victoria, as well as the uplift in skills to the regional population.

For more information on the program, please visit [Federation University's link here.](#)



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