

Newsletter Edition

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### **Operations update**

Salt Creek Wind Farm (SCWF) continues to meet expectations when it comes to generation and availability. Over the last 12 months, SCWF has generated 153 GWh, which is the equivalent to:



Powering approx. 30,000 households per year



Removing approx. 149,000 tonnes of greenhouse gases from the atmosphere – the equivalent of removing 46,000 cars from the road

All 15 wind turbines are operational, however there was a 7-day outage in the last quarter to allow Mondo to perform preventative maintenance on the transmission line. This marks the fifth year of operation of the wind turbines.

# **Compliance update**

A Noise Management Plan is being drafted in accordance with the new noise regulations in Victoria.

The Year 2 Bat and Avifauna Management Plan (BAM Plan) Annual Report has been provided to Council for review with the draft report available on Tilt Renewables – SCWF website. Once endorsed, the final Year 2 Annual Report will be made available on the website.

The Year 3 BAM Plan Annual Report has also been provided to Council and we are currently updating it to address comments received. Once endorsed, the final Year 3 Annual Report will be made available on the website.

The Environmental Management Plan (EMP) has been reviewed, including proposed updates to reflect the status of the Project and changes to legislation, standards and techniques. The EMP review, including proposed updates has been provided to Council for review.

#### **PROJECT FACTS**

Project status: Operational
Maximum Capacity: 54MW
Annual Output: 172 GWh
Commissioned: July 2018

#### Location:

5km south of Woorndoo, Victoria **Project Investment:** AU\$105 million

#### **Turbines:**

15 Vestas V126 - 3.6MW turbines

Blade Tip Height: 150m

#### **Host Landowners:**

One wind farm host landowner

**Transmission Connection:** 50.5km of 66kV overhead transmission line, owned and operated by AusNet Services

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### **SCWF Lend a Hand Fund** – Successful Recipients

The SCWF Lend A Hand Fund is open for applications all year round. The Fund distributes \$10,000 annually and will do so for the life of the wind farm. Funds that aren't allocated are rolled into the next year.

Since the last newsletter in May 2021, the following projects received funding:

- Hexham Community Association received \$500.00 to purchase new garden tools to maintain the old school grounds
- Lake Bolac and District Historical Society received \$450.00 to install a plaque at the Lake Bolac War Memorial Reserve
- Hexham Recreation Reserve Committee received \$670.00 to install a replacement water pump for the clubrooms If you have a community project that is within the region surrounding the SCWF, please apply.

The guidelines and application form can be found on the Project webpage: www.saltcreekwindfarm.com.au or you can direct any enquiries to 1800 WE TILT (938 458) or SCWFcommunityfund@tiltrenewables.com











## Salt Creek Scholarship

Earlier in the year we attended the presentation of the fourth Salt Creek Scholarship at the Salt Creek Merino Farm Woolshed. The award went to Jaelyn Brand from Beaufort, who after taking a gap year in 2022 to assist her mum start a small business coffee van, now heads off to Deakin, Waurn Ponds to study Criminology and Psychological Sciences. In Jaelyn's words, she wants to "help kids before they end up in places of detention or reform".

Jaelyn became the School Captain (Head Prefect) in Year 11 and maintained the leadership position in Year 12. A truly remarkable person with huge potential and determination to make a difference in the world. As the first female recipient of the scholarship, we are very proud to be able to support Jaelyn's ambitions.

The annual Salt Creek Scholarship was the idea of SCWF landowner Peter Coy, who puts \$15,000 towards the scholarship combined with \$15,000 from Tilt Renewables. Rural students face additional accommodation costs compared to metropolitan students. The scholarship goes towards accommodation costs so that they have more time to study, have a balanced lifestyle and not have to work long hours to support themselves.

To find out more about the Salt Creek Scholarship, www.saltcreekscholarship.com.au



Caption Pictured L to R: Peter Coy, Mayor of Moyne Shire Cr Ian Smith, Jaelyn Brand and Barend van der Poll – Asset Manager, Tilt Renewables.

