

Rye Park Wind Farm

Proposed Modification to Project Approvals

A Modification Application has been submitted for the Rye Park Wind Farm. We are proposing to revise a small number of site access tracks to reduce the environmental impact of the project's construction. The Modification Application Report contains information on how these and other proposed changes to the project would reduce the impact on the environment and how this can be managed.

Proposed changes to project

The project team have identified several improvements that reduce the ground disturbance of the Project.

This includes minor revisions to the main wind farm access tracks and the overhead transmission line access tracks. These revisions require modification to the Development Corridor as approved by Development Consent and the EPBC Act Approval for the Project.

The transmission line access track changes will reduce the potential environmental impacts by avoiding waterways, riparian zones and gully crossings. The changes will also reduce the amount of construction required in sensitive and topographically constrained areas. We are also proposing some access track changes following feedback from stakeholders.

The proposed modification would:

- Involve no changes to other wind farm infrastructure (e.g. location of wind turbines and electrical distribution infrastructure)
- Require no additional land outside of the current affected landowners
- Decrease the overall length of access tracks by approximately 1.02 km) across the Project
- Significantly reduce the amount of cut and fill to establish the modified access tracks
- Reduce the risk of constructions delays
- Increase the overall Development Corridor by approximately 14.59 hectares

Should the modification be approved, key management plans will be updated to reflect the modified Development Corridor.

If you would like to read more about changes to the access tracks see Section 2 of the Modification Application Report.

PLANNING APPROVALS

A variation to the EPBC Act Approval for these changes has been granted by the Federal Department of Agriculture, Water and Environment and is available on the Project website. A Modification Application for the approved Development Consent has also been submitted to the NSW Department of Planning and Environment and is currently being publicly exhibited.



Environmental considerations

The proposed modifications are generally in accordance with the Environmental Impact Statement for the Project, Development Consent and the EPBC Approval.

Tilt Renewables also undertook biodiversity and heritage assessments of the changes and found they would result in no net increase to either biodiversity values or impacts to Aboriginal heritage sites. These assessments form part of the Modification Application.

Tilt Renewables will continue to comply with the biodiversity limits and heritage requirements as outlined in the current project approvals.

The scope of the modification does not affect other environmental assessments, which remain relevant to the approved project (e.g. noise, visual and aviation impact assessments).

Assessment of the scope of the modification did not identify the requirement for further technical investigations to assess the potential impacts of the revisions to the access tracks.



Community feedback

The community can make submissions on the Modification Application during the exhibition period from Wednesday 27 July 2022 to Tuesday 9 August 2022. To make a submission about any matters covered in the Modification Application please visit www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/rye-park-wind-farm.

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