



# Community Newsletter #1

Sunny Corner Wind Farm Community  
Update – 29 October 2024

Dear Community Members,

## **Community Survey**

Thank you to community members and businesses who have responded so far to the survey on the proposed Sunny Corner Wind Farm.

There's still time to have your say which will inform how we can deliver the greatest benefits to the community and businesses. Click on the QR code in the flyer attached or click on the link here:

[www.surveymonkey.com/r/Sunny\\_Corner\\_Wind\\_Farm](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Sunny_Corner_Wind_Farm)

## **Community Benefits Funds**

We'll be sharing initial details on **Community Benefits Fund** design and **First Nations Funds** in the coming months, with a **Community Benefits Program** designed to deliver significant benefits to community members, businesses and First Nations peoples close to the proposed project site and surrounding towns. Thank you again to all who have provided guidance to date via the survey, drop-in-centre, and in-person consultations.

## **Technical Consultants and Field Work is Underway**

Someva Renewables and Mainstream Renewable Power have now selected environmental and technical consultants who will be out in the field at the proposed site in the Sunny Corner State Forest undertaking preliminary survey work. Along with community views, this work will inform the layout of the proposed wind farm and the Scoping Report (see below).

The field work is not planned to undertake assessments on private land. There may be drone use along public access roads in the Forest, focussing on surveying the Sunny Corner State Forest.

Biodiversity assessments (Bird & Bat Utilisation Surveys) for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Phase of the proposed project are also underway for the Spring season 2024. 24 months of survey data is required to understand the potential risks posed to birds and bats across the wind farm area.

The Scoping Report is a report being prepared that will detail the proposed Sunny Corner Wind Farm, including the proposed wind turbine layout. We expect to provide an update on the release of the Scoping Report in January 2025. It will be available for public access and on the Sunny Corner website for review and we will share the report and how to access it when it is available. We will also be in Portland, Lithgow and Bathurst in person to discuss the report and layout.

## Stakeholder and Neighbour Engagement

Thank you again for the friendly engagement and quality feedback over these past months. We're looking forward to expanding our efforts. One great events we recently participated in was a business networking event with the 'Upstairs' team in Bathurst on 26 September. There is a lot of energy and enthusiasm for the renewables transition in the area. However, we are also hearing your concerns which we will continue to address.

We'll be in the region again in early November and look forward to meeting more neighbours, businesses and First Nations groups.

If you would like to book a time to meet us in person or if you have any questions about the proposed Sunny Corner Wind Farm, please let us know at [community@someva.com.au](mailto:community@someva.com.au)

Kind regards,  
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