

Community Newsletter #5

Sunny Corner Wind Farm Community Update – 17 February 2025

We are pleased to advise you that we have announced Community Information Hubs for the proposed Sunny Corner Wind Farm following the lodgement of the Scoping Report with the NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI).

Members of the local community are encouraged to come along to meet the Project Team, learn more about the proposed wind farm and share your views:

- Thursday 27 February Sunny Corner Community Hall, 3pm -7pm
- Friday 28 February Yetholme Community Hall, 3pm -7pm
- Saturday 1 March Portland Annex, 11am 3pm

The Scoping Report provides an overview of the proposed wind farm, including initial designs and turbine layouts incorporating community consultation and feedback to date, as well as the results of preliminary environmental, biodiversity, noise and social impact assessments. The report is a foundation for project co-design, with project plans set to evolve based on ongoing investigations and further input from the community.

DPHI will now review the Scoping Report and consult with local Councils and government agencies to decide what should be included in the next stage, called the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs). Once these requirements are received by the Project Team, the next step will be developing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), which involves detailed studies and further consultation with the community. This process will include opportunities for locals to share your feedback and continue to help shape the project.

The Scoping Report for the proposed Sunny Corner Wind Farm is available at the NSW Planning Portal here: www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/sunny-corner-wind-farm

This scoping report and initial turbine layout is part of our comprehensive community consultation and co-design process. We are keen to present an opportunity for near neighbours and community members to benefit from where turbines may be located. It's important to note that the initial layout is just a starting point, and an opportunity for feedback and to host discussions based on where turbines might be.

We are keen to work closely with the community to evolve and improve the project. We want to ensure the voices of near neighbours, and the wider community are heard, shaping a project that delivers shared benefits for decades to come. Local community members interested in finding out more or exploring the hosting of permanent or temporary infrastructure are encouraged to reach out to the project team via community@someva.com.au.

The three Community Information Hubs will also see the availability of TrueView™ Augmented Reality technology, to help the community visualise the initial turbine layout from their property or local landmarks, using an iPad.





We are excited to be meeting with residents at our information sessions to hear your thoughts and to share updates on this opportunity. Together, we can create a wind farm that brings lasting benefits to the region while supporting the values and priorities of the local community.

In addition to hearing from locals at the Community Information Hubs, a survey is underway focusing on how the proposed wind farm can deliver benefits to the community through a tailored Community Benefits Program: www.surveymonkey.com/r/SunnyCornerBenefits.

The Community Benefits Program will include a range of elements such as tailored annual Community Benefit Funds, direct Neighbour Benefits, support for First Nations groups, and partnership with local councils. It aims to ensure the project supports the prosperity of the region through initiatives such as grants and sponsorships, energy affordability programs, energy efficiency upgrades, enhanced community services or infrastructure, local job creation and improved bushfire response capabilities.

Stay up to date on the investigation of Sunny Corner Wind Farm by visiting sunnycornerwindfarm.com.au or by emailing community@someva.com.au

Kind regards, Felicity



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