



Dandaragan Wind Farms

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

Wind Prospect WA Pty Ltd (Wind Prospect) has been developing the Dandaragan Wind Farms since early 2007. The development process commenced with wind monitoring and preliminary feasibility studies before a public exhibition was held on the 23rd and 24th September 2009. This was followed by detailed studies focusing on ecology, landscape, cultural heritage, noise, EMI, and aviation to assess and mitigate potential impacts associated with the proposal. The assessments were used as the basis for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) which was lodged with the Shire of Dandaragan on the 16th February 2011. During the assessment period the Shire reviewed the EIS and referred the proposal to relevant stakeholders and government agencies for consideration and comment. During this time, Wind Prospect held its second Open Day on 7th June 2011 to which community members and interested parties were invited to receive information and provide feedback. Planning approval was granted by the Shire of Dandaragan on 15th December 2011. Wind Prospect was also required to formally refer the project to state and federal government environmental departments for assessment. All environmental approvals have now been obtained. For further information on the assessments conducted for the wind farm, or the stages involved in the development of the site, please refer to our website: www.dandaraganwindfarm.com.au



THANKYOU DANDARAGAN COMMUNITY



Wind Prospect would like to extend a big thank you to the Dandaragan community and the broader central midlands region, for their continued support of the Dandaragan Wind Farms. We would also like to thank the Shire of Dandaragan for all of the hard work and assistance that they have allocated to the project. This support has been fundamental to the progress of the project to date. It has been great to meet and work alongside many of you and we look forward to continuing this relationship going forward.

PLANNING APPROVAL

A significant milestone for the project was Planning Approval which was issued by the Shire of Dandaragan on 15th December 2011. The proposal underwent a rigorous assessment process over a 10 month period. During this time the application was referred to relevant state and federal government agencies and regulatory authorities for comment. The proposal went before the Shire of Dandaragan Development Assessment Panel on the 15th December 2011 where a unanimous decision was made to grant planning approval. A copy of the council meeting minutes can be accessed on the Shire of Dandaragan website: www.dandaragan.wa.gov.au/council/minutes/2011. Other consents that support the planning approval and which have now been achieved include:

- WA Environment Protection Authority (EPA) - determined that a formal assessment was not required;
- Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities (DSEWPC) - determined to be a non-controlled action under the EPBC Act and consent granted;
- Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC)- Clearing Permit for Native Vegetation Clearance in accordance with the EPA Act 1986;
- Dampier Bunbury Pipeline - Conditional consent for infrastructure to intersect pipeline easement granted



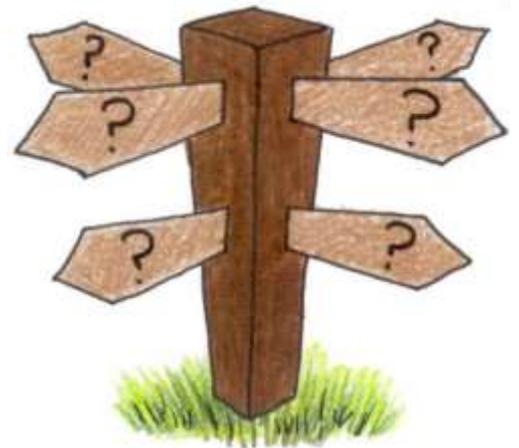
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WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

Below is a timeline of major events that will be completed between now and commissioning of the wind farm. Construction of the wind farm is subject to Western Power line upgrades and connection of other proponents on the Western Power queue. Line upgrades should be completed by late 2013/early 2014. More information on these upgrade works can be found under *Mid West Energy Project Southern Section—stage 1* on the Western Power website: www.westernpower.com.au.

- Q2 2012 - Installation of two additional wind monitoring masts
- Q1 2013 - Review grid upgrade programme
- Q3 2013 - Pre-construction activities, assessments and construction tendering
- Q1 2014 - Turbine delivery and construction commencement
- Q3 2015 - Complete Construction
- Q4 2015 - Commissioning of wind farm



We value community feedback to get a better understanding of concerns and opinions that the public has in relation to our projects and the development of renewable energy. We also feel that it is important to address any questions that the public may have. We encourage anybody who wishes to provide feedback or ask questions, to complete our online survey by visiting:

www.dandaraganwindfarm.com.au/have_your_say

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