



Welcome to our latest project update

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Planning update

In December 2023, the Project passed the first milestone in the planning pathway, with the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) — now the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) — issuing the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs). Receiving SEARs indicates we have completed the necessary elements of the planning process to move forward with detailed investigations.

The SEARs provide direction for preparing the detailed studies, investigations, surveys, and engagement, to inform the Project's design and be documented in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

Past and upcoming dates



What is an EIS?

An EIS is a comprehensive document that provides detailed information about the Project's potential impact on the environment. The EIS sets out proposed management measures to avoid or minimise those impacts.

Our EIS will address specific issues, **including but not limited to** the following:

	Traffic and transportation routes and capacity		Land use compatibility
	Landscape and visual impacts		Economic context and benefits
	Noise and vibration (including during construction)		Hazards and risks including bushfire, aviation safety, telecommunications and health
	Biodiversity and ecology		Social impact, including workforce accommodation
	Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal heritage		Stakeholder and community engagement
	Water, soils, agriculture and waste		Decommissioning and rehabilitation
	Air quality and greenhouse gases		

Vestas in the community



Feedback received during drop-ins

Thanks to everyone who visited our drop-in sessions in Gulgong and Mudgee in November. These events allowed us to hear directly from the local community about the proposed Project. We spoke with around 40 residents who shared their views on the Project design and renewable energy, received feedback on how we can deliver benefits to the community, and answered questions about the proposed construction timeline.

We heard your concerns about potential impacts on visual amenity, biodiversity and traffic, and will address these topics as we prepare the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

We value the importance of working alongside the community in which we seek to operate and appreciate your feedback.

Our next drop-in sessions will be publicised through our website and in local media.

Proud to support Mudgee businesses!

On 28 November, Lowe Family Wine Co hosted the 2023 Magnificent Mudgee Business Awards with an evening of food, drink and celebrating the wonderful local business people and businesses.



Vestas was again proud to support this important event, which acknowledges local business owners' hard work and dedication and valuable contribution to the region.

Congratulations to all the finalists and the winners..

A note on communication

At Piambong Wind Farm, we are committed to working with the community, listening to your views, and better understanding your concerns. Since establishing the Project in 2022, we have captured more than 1,000 interactions with the community through our engagement and communications activities.

If you are reading this, great! However, we may still need to connect with more community members. If you know of someone who may benefit from receiving project information, please get in touch and/or pass on our details.



We are committed to keeping you informed about the project, and we want to hear from you! Call **1800 719 687**, email info@piambongwindfarm.com.au or visit piambongwindfarm.com.au to learn more.