

Crookwell 3 Wind Farm

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Project Status

- **Wind Farm Planning:**

- ✓ **Traffic Management Plan** – Final version submitted to DPIE for endorsement.
- ✓ **Biodiversity Management Plan and Offset Calculation** – addressing comments from Biodiversity and Conservation Division and final optimised layout, for final lodgement with DPIE.
- ✓ **Upgrade of Graywood Siding Road** - GPG and the BOP contractor have finalized the design of the upgrade of Graywood Siding Road and will be submitted to the Councils and other stakeholders for approval as soon as the TMP and BMP are approved. Graywood Siding Road will be the main access road during construction.

Activities on site

- **Under progress:**

- ✓ **Construction** now estimated to begin at **Q2 of 2022**.
- ✓ **Pre-construction heritage surveys** in progress

Community Engagement and Benefit Sharing

Community Consultation Committee

The next CCC meeting will be held on **Wednesday Apr 6th, 2022 4pm**.

We are looking at June for the Community Open Day at Roslyn Hall. We will confirm with you once approvals have been completed and construction start date is confirmed.

Did you know?

As part of the revegetation process after the wind farm is built, native seeds are used to regenerate the land. These are not just native Australian seeds but native seeds to the property and paddock, so the wind farm does not spread weeds or contaminate the long-term pasture improvement that the farmer has completed on their property.

A lot of planning goes into this kind of reparation. Luckily, we are having amazing seasons for seed collection, and we need to be able to collect over a couple of seasons.

The native seeds are fine and you need to collect quite a lot. Even if there is not Australian native plants, we make sure we sow the seed that is in the paddock currently, and a foreign seed or weed is not introduced.



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For instance, this paddock (picture to the right), we will collect the current existing seed and sow any disturbed soil in this paddock with this seed. Preparation is taking place now, so we have this seed on hand when it is needed.



Inspection of other pasture and seeds were identified for use and quality in the revegetation process.

We had a recent discovery walk around Crookwell 3. Have you had a look at what Native plants/foods are on your property?



This is the Nodding Chocolate Lily a native food. It gets its name from its chocolate scented flowers. Its bush food value, however, comes mainly from its juicy tubers, which can be eaten raw or cooked. This species is found in grassland, woodland and forest regions of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, Western Australia, Tasmania and Victoria.

The Chocolate Lily's edible tubers usually grow to around 3.5cm in length, around 15cm below the surface. Raw tubers are slightly sweet and best eaten when young, as they become bitter over time. Like other varieties of tuber vegetables, they're delicious just lightly roasted with a bit of salt or butter. The fragrant flowers are

also edible, and may be added to salads or used as decorative toppings for cakes, biscuits and tarts.

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Berrybank 1 Wind Farm

The opening ceremony for the Berrybank 1 wind farm was conducted on March 10. The Hon Victoria's Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change Lily D'Ambrosio, attended the Opening Ceremony for the wind farm in Berrybank.

Berrybank 1 wind farm is comprised of 43 turbines with an installed capacity of 180MW, equivalent to the electricity to power 138,000 households. Awarded by the Victorian government in the VRET 2017 Reverse Auction, energy generated from the project will be subject to a 15-year regulated tariff and contribute towards the achievement of the Victorian Renewable Energy Targets.

The full story can be read on the Berrybank 1 wind farm web site at <https://www.berrybankwindfarm.globalpower-generation.com.au/gpg-holds-the-opening-ceremony-of-berrybank-1-wind-farm/>



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