

Hawkesdale Wind Farm

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Project Update

- Planning permit 20060221-2 has been extended to 31 December 2024
- All the components (blades, nacelles, hubs and rotors) are being transported from Portland to Hawkesdale

Activities On Site

- 3 turbines have been fully erected and 5 are at pre installation (first tower section)
- 20 turbine foundations have been completed
- Construction of access tracks continues with approximately 100% trafficable
- The laying of the underground interconnection cables is completed
- The substation bench has been completed, the operations buildings are under construction and the switch room has been delivered



Weekly Construction Updates

Weekly construction updates are available on the Hawkesdale web site from early February, follow the link: [Hawkesdale Wind Farm Progress - Global Power Generation \(globalpower-generation.com.au\)](https://www.globalpower-generation.com.au/hawkesdale-wind-farm-progress).



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Transmission Line & Tarrone Terminal Station

- ✓ Subcontractor onboarding for Hawkesdale transmission line works
- ✓ Meeting with Moyne Shire around project works and methodology
- ✓ Finalising property and construction management plans with landowners and onsite meetings to introduce the contractor
- ✓ Starting development of laydown area at Tarrone terminal station for Hawkesdale transmission line works.

Community Engagement & Benefit Sharing

Community Engagement Committee

The Hawkesdale Wind Farm Community Engagement Committee (CEC) September meeting was held. The next meeting is scheduled for October 2023. Minutes and notes from all CEC meetings are available on the Moyne Shire web site, from CEC members or please contact Debra Dumesny on 0428 867 646 or by email debra.dumesny@globalpower-generation.com.au to request a copy of the minutes/notes.

We encourage you to contact a CEC representative if you wish to bring concerns to the CEC for discussion, or if you would like to be included on the distribution list for the confirmed minutes and updates.

Contact details for your local community members can be found by contacting the Moyne Shire Council.

Hawkesdale Community Benefit Fund (HCBF) - Applications Open

The Hawkesdale Community Benefit Fund (HCBF) is now open for applications. Applications close October 16. All information can be found on the web site at https://hawkesdalewindfarm.globalpower-generation.com.au/sustainability/community/#calls_for_applications.

Applications open	31/08/2023
Information session	12/09/2023 7:00 pm Hawkesdale Memorial Hall
Applications close	16/10/2023 10:00 am
Announcement of successful applicants	24/11/2023

This is a great opportunity to start to realise your plans to ensure Hawkesdale continues to grow and become a sustainable community. There is sure to be some innovative ideas and plans already developing among the community, let's work together to make them a reality.

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Supporting Western District Food Share

The call from Western District Food Share for assistance to provide breakfast goods and other snacks to the local schools prompted GPG Australia to initiate a food drive at Ryan Corner and Hawkesdale wind farms. Together with GPG the contractors collected 353kg of packaged food including cereals, muesli bars, spreads, milk and other breakfast staples. The workers at both wind farms were quick to respond with most of the items collected in a few days. Many of the staff and workers live locally and have children who attend the local schools. It is important to GPG and all involved in the construction of the wind farms that the young people in the community are receiving good food during the school day.



Do you know about?

Are you prepared for the fire season?

The fire season is approaching and the CFA have declared the first Fire Danger Period in Eastern Victoria. The Hawkesdale wind farm project is working to ensuring a safe construction site during this summer. In line with the Bushfire Emergency Response Plan (BERP), regular inspections are conducted on all fire safety mechanisms such as extinguishers, water tanks, fuel storage and vegetation control. The full copy of the BERP can be found on the web site, as part of the Environmental Management Plan, at [PA20060221-ENVIRONMENTAL-MANAGEMENT-PLAN-6.12.22.pdf](#) (globalpower-generation.com.au).

Hawkesdale wind farm is happy to be hosting the local brigades for their pre fire season exercises and having an opportunity to familiarise them with the site.

Turbines and fire suppression

The Vestas turbines that are being installed at Hawkesdale wind farm are model V136 4.2 MW. With each model turbine that is released the technology used is advancing. This model turbine has an advanced fire suppression system that is activated by smoke and arc detection. This runs through a separate safety system and is independent from the control system of the turbine.

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Specialist training will be provided to the CFA prior to operation to equip them with the information and skills to manage a fire or any emergency related to a wind turbine.

Information to help you prepare your own homes for the coming fire season is found on the CFA web site and local brigades are happy to offer advice to keep us all safe.

Who's Who?

Harry Sherlock – Turbine erection supervisor

Harry was born locally in Penshurst, the eldest of 6 siblings, receiving primary schooling there and secondary in Hamilton. During those years he was also involved playing football at Penshurst and Hamilton Imperials.

After leaving school, he started a boiler making apprenticeship at Thornton Engineering in Penshurst and moved to Geelong to continue working with that company for 20 years. He then started working at Geelong Port as a maintenance supervisor.

He has been in the wind industry for the past 3 years, starting with Vestas at Dundonnell wind farm near Mortlake. Firstly, as a site supervisor then as site manager. This saw him move back to the area, with his partner and two children, a boy aged 7 and girl aged 5, now calling Hamilton home.



Further Information

Complaints Investigation and Response Plan (CIRP)

The CIRP has been endorsed and can be found on our <https://hawkesdalewindfarm.globalpower-generation.com.au/> following the link The Project>Relevant documentation.

Complaints can be made in the following ways:

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Contact Us

Hawkesdale Office

The office at the Hawkesdale Memorial Hall has closed and moved to the site offices at the wind farm.

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How to be included on the Email List

To be included on the distribution list for our newsletter and updates via email, please contact our Community & Stakeholder Engagement Officer Debra on 0428 867 646 or by email debra.dumesny@globalpower-generation.com.au or hawkesdalewindfarm@globalpower-generation.com.au.



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