

## Ryan Corner Wind Farm Community Engagement Committee

Meeting date Monday 17 October 2022  
Meeting time and location 5.30pm at the Port Fairy Yacht Club

### 1. Welcome and Introductions

### 2. Present

Cr Karen Foster  
Cr Jordan Lockett  
Clinton Krause, Community Representative  
Jacinta Coffey, Community Representative (via Zoom)  
Camino Cabanillas, GPG Project Manager, Ryan Corner Wind Farm  
Debra Dumesny, GPG Community and Stakeholder Engagement Officer  
Haridian Cabrera, GPG Community Stakeholder Engagement and Local Economic Development (Guest)

Vicki Askew-Thornton, CEC Responsible Officer, Moyne Shire

### 3. Apologies

Ruth Magnusson, Community Representative  
Kristi Else, Community Representative  
John Donohue, Community Representative  
Brian Riordan, Community Representative

### 4. Declarations of Interest

Standing declaration: Cr Foster declared a perceived conflict of interest, that she was previously married to a participating landholder, but no longer has a connection to that family.

### 5. Confirmation of Minutes of November 2021 meeting

Moved by Debra Dumesny, seconded by Cr Lockett that the minutes of the CEC meeting held on 5 September 2022 be accepted. **CARRIED**

### 6. Business arising from the previous Minutes

- 6.1 GPG to provide further information regarding fire risk mitigation, including:
- What are the works limitations for days of extreme temperature?
  - More detail about the fire fighting equipment on vehicles and plant, including the water cannons.
- Refer to Project Report – Section 9.1

### 7. Correspondence Incoming

Date received	Item	Attachment Number
9 September	Information from GPG regarding biosecurity, circulated to the CEC on 9 Sept.	1
16 September	From GPG - Notification of works on public holidays	
6, 13, 21, 26 Sept; 4, 10 Oct.	From GPG - RCWF weekly reports	
10 October	From GPG – RCWF and HWF newsletters	

## 8. Correspondence Outgoing

Nil.

## 9. Reports:

### 9.1 GPG Project Update

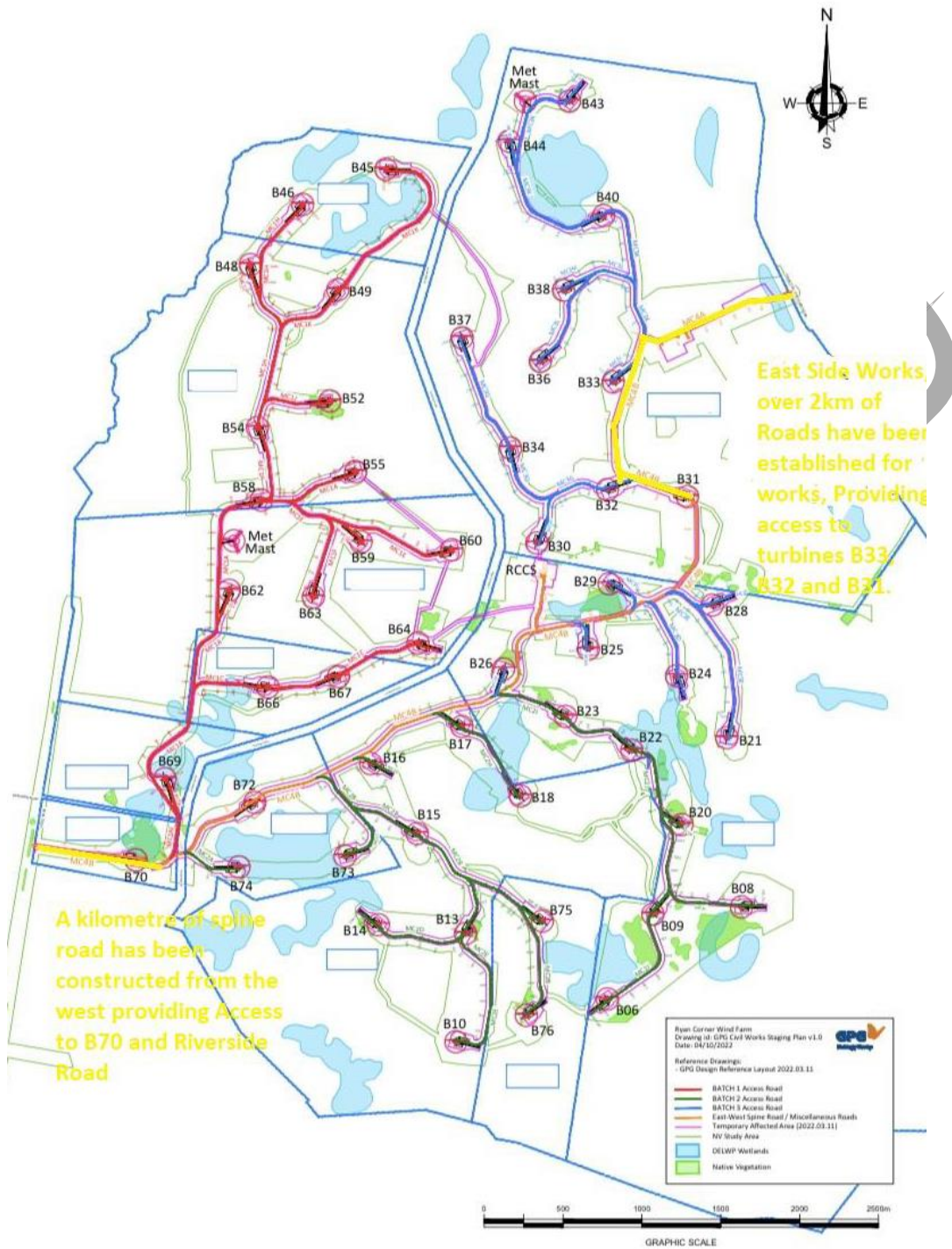
#### 1. Project Update



- ✓ The site office is completed. It will be staffed by GPG and other contractors, Debra Dumesny, Michael Kerr, Tom Doake and Garry Rister will be on site regularly.
- ✓ Modifications to landowner farm fencing and stock water continues.
- ✓ A mobile crusher is working alongside the excavators as they build the access track through rocky areas.
- ✓ Work on first 3.0km of access tracks in progress.
- ✓ Excavation of 3 foundations has commenced.
- ✓ The batch plant area is ready for the plant to be installed.

- ✓ The inductions required to commence work on the site are being conducted as contractors come on site, 103 currently fully inducted.
- ✓ All the components have arrived and are being stored at Portland.
- ✓ Cleaning and preservation of components in Portland ongoing.
- ✓ Final seal for Youls Road scheduled for mid-November, weather permitting.

- As of today there were 14 excavators working on the site.
- The Decmil site office in Port Fairy is now closed.



- The yellow lines from the eastern and western site entrances show current progress.
- The 'spine track' needs to be completed first, although some cut and fill material from its junction with other tracks may be needed to complete it.

- The reference to Riverside Rd in the map is in relation to a vehicle crossover. The permit does not allow the general use of Riverside Road as an access route.

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## Work Hours

- Civil construction earthworks have now commenced to construct the access tracks and hardstands. Generally, the civil contractor will be working:
 


✓ Monday to Friday	7am to 6pm
✓ Saturday	7am to 4pm (regular)
✓ Sunday	7am to 1pm (occasional as required)
- Saturday afternoon (1pm to 4pm) and Sunday works will be restricted to "managed impact" and "low impact" works as defined by the EPA guidelines.
- The purpose of weekend work is to reduce the overall construction duration, and subsequently the duration of impact on the local community.

Sunday works will become a regular feature commencing November

## 2. Grid Connection

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- ✓ AusNet and CPP have commenced works at Tarrone Terminal Station, with the construction of the "laydown" area for the storage of construction materials and site offices.
- ✓ Works on the Ryan Corner transmission line station have commenced.



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- Council noted that the transmission line did not require a permit so there is no statutory requirement for a Traffic Management Plan for it. However Ausnet has agreed with the need for a TMP and is updating a draft for Council's review.

Once the transmission line TMP is finalised, information about the agreed construction access routes will be provided to the CEC.

One of the routes from a quarry in Yambuk to the transmission line will use the Princes Highway through Port Fairy. This is required in order to avoid the use of several single-lane local roads. Jacinta asked if Villiers Street could be closed during that period due to safety concerns. Cr Foster will follow this up.

## 3. Fire Safety

- ✓ The **Bushfire and Emergency Response Plan (BERP)** is endorsed and contained within the Environmental Management Plan (EMP).
- ✓ On days of **fire danger ratings of severe and above**, provide advice to the local fire brigade captain of the work site location/s for that day the night before.
- ✓ Work on days of **extreme weather and/or fire danger** must follow requirements in place by the CFA.
- ✓ **Water cart and water cannon** are available on site. The cannon will have a reach of approximately 70m and a flow rate of up to 4,500 litres/minute.



- GPG will provide an additional document regarding the Bushfire Prevention and Emergency Response Plan (BP&ERP).
- The two 50,000 litre water tanks to be installed on the site will remain throughout construction.

GPG will follow up on whether the water tanks will be removed after construction or could be left in place for future firefighting use if required.

## 4. Community Engagement



- ✓ **September newsletter** available.
- ✓ A **conditional trial of speed signs** approaching the eastern entrance has been accepted by **Department of Transport (DoT)**.
  - **80km/hr and Caution Cyclist signs** have been ordered and will be installed in the coming weeks on the **Port Fairy Hamilton Road**. Waiting on the **final permission** from DoT.
- ✓ Continuing **contact with emergency services** (CFA, SES, ambulance, police).
- ✓ **Construction updates** are published **weekly** on the **Ryan Corner** web site.
- ✓ Contacting neighbours who are eligible for **neighbour deeds** is continuing. **6** have signed and received their payment.
- ✓ GPG will be providing **periodic reports to the Council** about the **complaints received**.

## Complaints



- ✓ 5 complaints received from commencement of construction to September 30.
  - 2 – Traffic:
    - The first resolved the following day.
    - The second found not to be wind farm traffic.
  - 1 – Quarry: Non-related to the wind farm, redirected to the quarry.
  - 1 – Noise: Anonymous. Found not to be in breach of permit. Contractors reminded of the construction conditions.
  - 1 – Other: Damage to property. Acknowledged and investigated immediately. Repairs to be completed at a time that suits the complainant.

- Jacinta reported that a truck with a wide load had been seen travelling to the site on the Hamilton-Port Fairy Road without an escort vehicle, and clipping roadside branches. GPG will follow this up and remind transport contractors to slow down.


## Benefit Sharing



- ✓ Neighbour Benefit Program – 18 neighbours eligible (6 signed).
- ✓ Community Grants Program - \$2,500 per turbine per year = \$130,000 annually.
- ✓ Landscape Screening Program.
- ✓ Environment Support Program - \$7,500 annually for 2 years.
- ✓ Education Program (site visits, scholarships, workshops, educational materials).
- ✓ Sponsorship of local events.

- Clinton noted that as a near-neighbour he hasn't received enough detail about the Landscape Screening Program. GPG responded that it still discussing the details of what the program will offer and how it will be rolled out. Clinton recommended that in the future more information should be available earlier in the wind farm planning process so that neighbours can gain a better understanding of what will be available regarding visual screening and other initiatives.

- Jacinta asked if GPG would consider landscape screening inside the site around the perimeter fencelines of host properties in addition to offsite screening.

**Benefit Sharing** 

- ✓ Community Grants Program - \$2,500 per turbine per year = \$130,000 annually
  - A committee to be formed
  - Guidelines to be formulated
  - Define geographic area for eligible applications.
  - Types of projects that may be considered for community grants
    - Long term community plan – contribution over more than one year
    - Individual group/club applications
    - Support of an all communities facility

- Cr Lockett did not think \$130,000 per year for the Community Grants Program was sufficient. Cr Lockett also encouraged GPG to consider how to maximise benefits to the local indigenous community.

GPG commented that it had developed a productive relationship with Eastern Maar. When a community fund committee is established prior to the wind farm commencing operation, it will make the final decisions on which projects were funded.

GPG asked the Community Representatives to provide feedback between now and the next meeting regarding what the geographical scope of the fund should be.

Council will email the CEC a list of the websites of other wind farms in Moyne, which contain details on each company's community funding program.

**9.2 Community Members:**  
Nothing further to raise.

**9.3 Council:**  
Nothing further to raise.

**10. General business**  
Nil.

**Next meeting – Monday 23 January 2023 at 5.30pm. Venue TBC.**

Confirmed this ..... / ..... / .....

Chair .....

Minutes are to be registered in Moyne Shire's electronic document management system by the committee reporting officer immediately following the Minutes' confirmation and signing

## Attachment 1

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### Bio Security Processes

The Ryan Corner wind farm project has sub management plans contained within the Environmental Management Plan (EMP) that address the control of pathogens and other introduced vegetation pests. The EMP is available on the Ryan Corner web page at [Relevant documentation - Ryan Corner Wind Farm \(globalpower-generation.com.au\)](http://globalpower-generation.com.au).

GPGA staff have attended an online forum addressing the threat of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) and recommended actions. A risk analysis has been undertaken and the Ryan Corner wind farm project is low risk for the threat of FMD. Our contractors are including an awareness of the FMD threat in their inductions.

The following are extracts from the EMP that relate directly to the control of pathogen spread:

#### 6.3.1 Management Actions The following management actions must be implemented during the pre-construction phase: Ryan Corner Windfarm: Pest Plant Management Plan 19

- Vehicle access points must be established at entry points to the construction zones and all vehicles accessing the construction zone will only enter and exit through the designated access points;
- All equipment and machinery are to be thoroughly cleaned offsite prior to commencing works.

#### 6.4.1 Management Actions The following management actions must be implemented during the construction phase:

- All plant and equipment must arrive clean to site; they will otherwise be required to be cleaned at the wash down area prior to transporting within the site or turned away and washed down off site;
- A wash down area must be established on site for equipment and machinery that requires cleaning prior to leaving site. Water from the wash-down bay must not be discharged into drainage lines or flow into areas of environmental sensitivity. Washdown water is to be recovered and treated to be free of biological contaminants and hydrocarbons and may be re-used for subsequent washdowns or as dust suppression or applied to non-sensitive areas;
- A hygiene wash will be undertaken on equipment and machinery when moving between landholdings when organic material is being handled (eg. topsoil removal or stripping). In this situation, all equipment and machinery that handle organic soil material that may contain noxious weeds or soil pathogens, will have excess soil and organic material removed;
- Vehicles and machinery entering the construction zone must do so at a designated entry and exit points and use constructed roads where possible;
- Personnel clothing and footwear must be checked for contaminants before entering and exiting the construction zones;

#### 7.1.1 Logbooks The following logbooks must be maintained on site during all construction phases and made available to the Responsible Authority upon request:

- Weed control logbook;
- Washdown logbook; and, Ryan Corner Windfarm: Pest Plant Management Plan 25
- Importation/exportation of materials logbook

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