

Bendenine Wind Farm

Project Update

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Welcome to the first Bendenine Wind Farm Project Update.

We're pleased to share the first edition of our newsletter for the Bendenine Wind Farm – a way to keep the community informed as the Project progresses through the early stages of planning.

In May 2025, the Project team was on the ground in Binalong and Bowning to introduce the proposed Project to the broader community and speak directly with near neighbours. We were grateful for the open and constructive conversations, which gave us valuable insight into the issues that matter most.

We heard that residents are seeking clear information on topics like visual impact, noise and fire safety – and we're working to provide this in future updates and engagement materials, as we prepare the environmental and technical assessments. We also received positive feedback from locals who welcomed the early opportunity to engage.

We'll be back in the community in mid-July, with community meetings scheduled with the Bowning and District Progress Association and in Binalong, to ensure both townships have an opportunity to hear directly from the Project team. We're also offering one-on-one meetings with any residents or landholders who would like to speak with us. These conversations will continue to help inform the preparation of the Project's Scoping Report, which is the next major step in the planning process.

We look forward to continuing the conversation and working closely with the community as the Project evolves.

Brad Croxford

Senior Development Officer

Project at a glance



Located 20 km north-west of Yass, between the townships of Binalong and Bowning



Investigating the feasibility of up to 90 wind turbines



Key project components

On-site electrical substation

Transmission infrastructure

Battery Energy Storage System (BESS)

Site offices and other key project components



Community benefit sharing

Ongoing benefits will be provided to the community and neighbouring residents through a Community Benefit Sharing Program, shaped by local input and priorities



Current stage of development

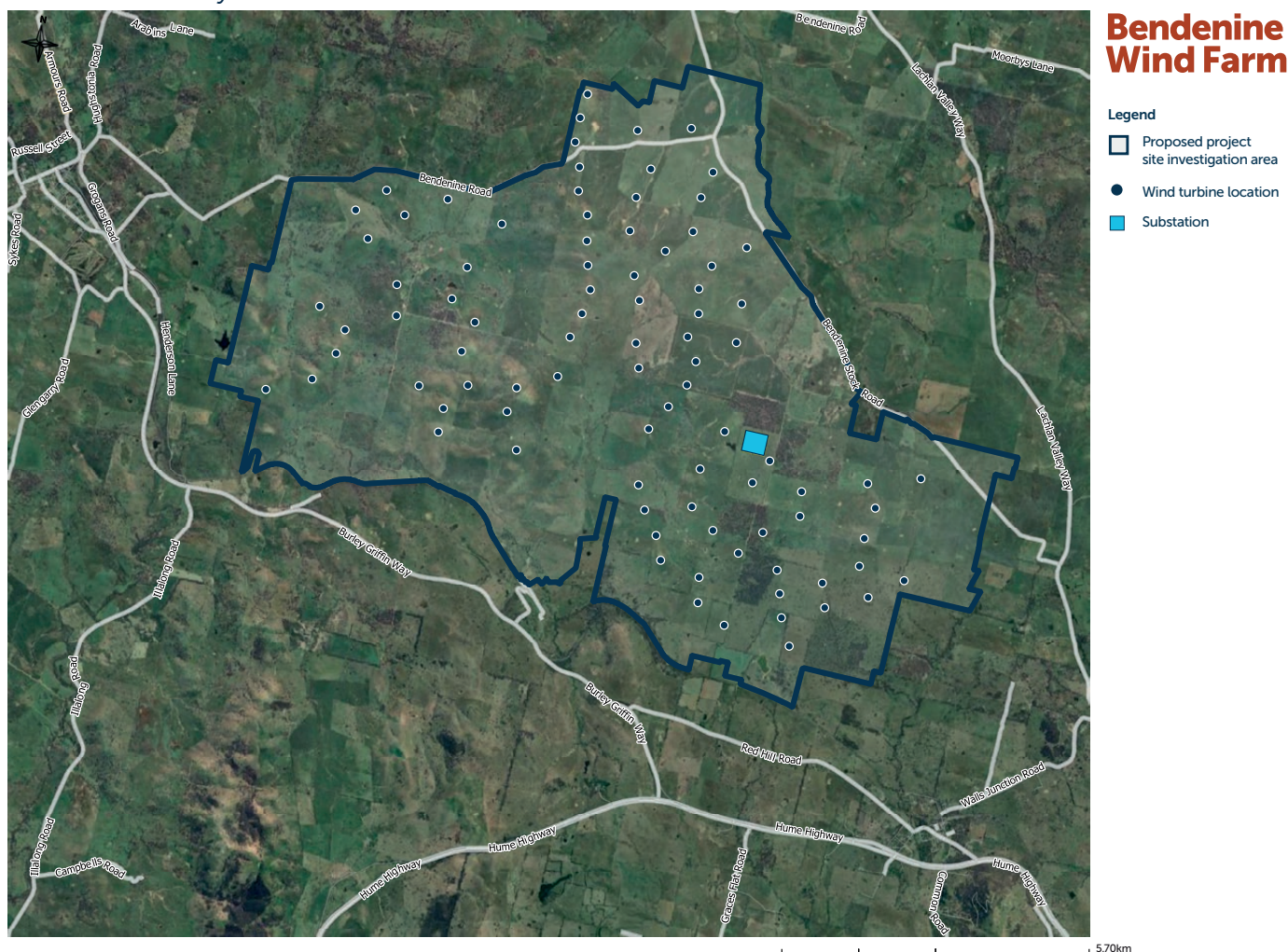
Preparing to submit Scoping Report and commencing detailed assessments

Wind Prospect respectfully acknowledges the Ngunnawal people as the Traditional Custodians of the land on which the Bendenine Wind Farm is proposed. We honour their ongoing connection to the land and waters, and we are committed to fostering respectful, collaborative relationships with Indigenous communities across all our projects.

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Indicative Turbine Layout



Engaging with the local community

The Bendenine Wind Farm team has been actively engaging with the local community since early 2025, with a strong focus on open conversations and early input to help guide project planning.



May On-Ground Engagement

The Project team continued on-ground engagement in May 2025, conducting activities across the wider local community. This included door knocking and one-on-one conversations with near neighbours, community pop-up sessions in Binalong and Bowning, and attendance at the Binalong Community Markets. A representative from Umwelt also attended to commence work on the Social Impact Scoping Report (SISR), which will help inform the Project's Scoping Report.

Across five days, the team spoke directly with more than 80 residents. These conversations provided valuable insights into the issues that matter most to the community. Many participants raised questions around visual impact, noise, fire safety and the location of turbines - particularly in relation to nearby homes, roads and community infrastructure. There was also discussion about the number of renewable energy projects being proposed in the region, with some participants seeking assurance that cumulative impacts will be properly assessed. Others raised potential social impacts, including community division and concerns around fairness and benefit-sharing.

To help address this feedback, Wind Prospect is undertaking detailed environmental and technical assessments, including cumulative impact modelling and visual and noise studies, as part of the Environmental Impact Statement. The proposed layout includes increased setbacks from towns and homes, and fire risk management will be considered in consultation with local emergency services. A draft Community Benefit Sharing Program is also being progressed, shaped by local feedback and input.

Some residents were also interested in learning how they could remain involved as the Project progresses. Feedback highlighted the importance of clear, accessible information and the value of continued face-to-face engagement.

This feedback is already helping shape the way we plan our next round of engagement and the development of future materials such as project maps and FAQs.



Upcoming Engagement Opportunities

The Bendenine Wind Farm team will be back in the region in mid-July 2025 to continue community engagement and provide an update on the Project's progress. A number of opportunities will be available to meet with the team, ask questions and learn more about the proposed Project.

Bowing and District Progress Association Meeting

WEDNESDAY, 16 JULY, 6PM

Bowing Community Hall

The Project team has been invited to attend a meeting arranged by the Bowing & District Progress Association. A presentation will be followed by a Q&A session.

One-on-One Meetings – Binalong and Bowning

WEDNESDAY, 16 JULY, 8.30AM - 12PM

Bowing Community Hall

WEDNESDAY, 16 JULY, 1PM - 4.30PM

Café on Queen, Binalong

The Project team will be available to meet with community members one-on-one to discuss any questions, concerns or topics of interest. These are individual sessions designed to allow for open, personalised conversations.



Each meeting will run for 30 minutes, and bookings are essential. Please use the QR code to secure a time or call the Project team on 1800 497 133.

Supporting the local community

The Bendenine Wind Farm is committed to delivering meaningful and lasting benefits for the local community. A range of initiatives are being developed to ensure those living near the Project, including the communities of Binalong and Bowning, share in the benefits of hosting renewable energy infrastructure.

Project Sponsorship Fund

A Sponsorship Fund has been established to support local community groups during the development phase. Up to \$20,000 per year is available to eligible groups, with funding designed to assist with services, programs, events or facility improvements that strengthen the Binalong, Bowning and surrounding communities.

Applications are now open for the 2025 funding round.



To apply or find out more, visit:
bit.ly/BWFsponsorship

Wind Prospect is committed to delivering a robust and equitable package of benefits for the Binalong and Bowning communities, with a strong focus on fairness, proportionality and local wellbeing. This includes developing programs that recognise the proximity of neighbouring residents and respond to the priorities and values raised through early consultation.

Work is underway to develop a fair and transparent approach to neighbour and community benefits, informed by NSW Government guidance and shaped by ongoing feedback. This may include initiatives that support local social wellbeing, enhance liveability and deliver long-term value to the region.

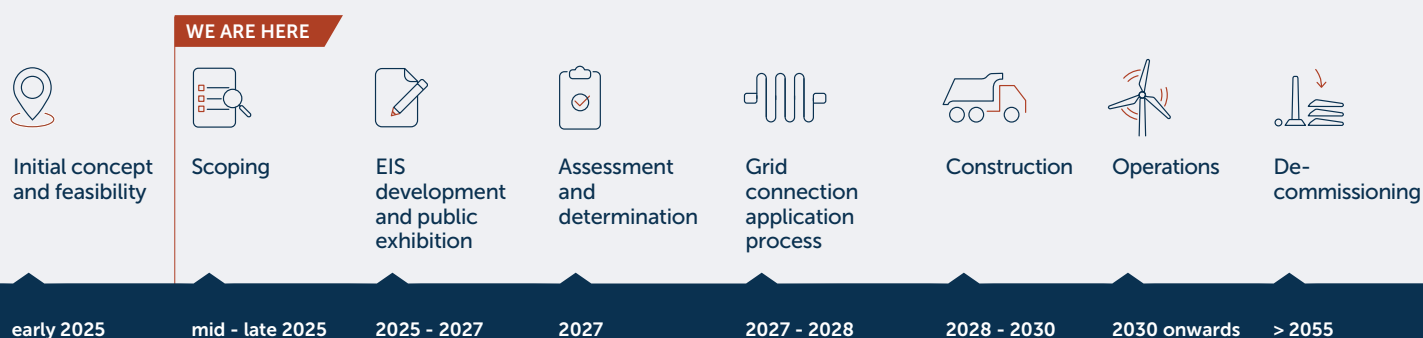
We welcome further input on what matters most to the community as this work progresses.



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Indicative Project Timeline

The Bendenine Wind Farm will require approval under the NSW Government's planning process for State Significant Developments. The Project team has commenced a range of technical studies and assessments to help inform the design and planning of the wind farm. These studies will also guide how potential impacts can be avoided, minimised or appropriately managed.



Ongoing community engagement will be a key focus throughout each stage and the across the life of the project.

Stay informed

To stay informed with the latest updates, you can provide your contact information via the below details. We will continue to provide updates through in-person visits and local events.

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