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Dear Neighbour

## Yaloak South Wind Farm – Update

### Community Partnerships Group

The Yaloak South Community Fund has been established to share the benefits of Pacific Hydro's Yaloak South Wind Farm with the community. \$28,000 will be available each year over the 25-year life of the project.

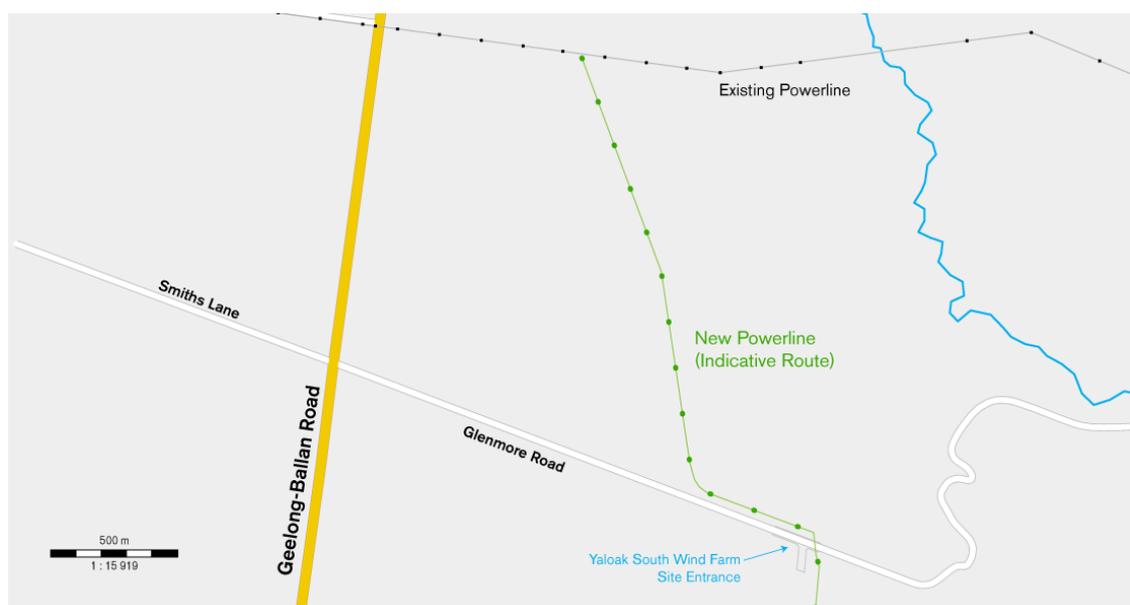
Following a public call for participants over several months late last year and early this year, a Community Partnerships Group of local residents has been brought together. This group has been empowered to decide how these funds should be spent. The Group has decided that funds should be allocated in the community. More information about the process will be available shortly.

### Construction look-ahead

Construction of Yaloak South Wind Farm is progressing on schedule. On-site access roads and hard-stand areas are largely complete; excavations for wind turbine foundations are well advanced; and three of fourteen concrete wind turbine foundations have been successfully poured. All concrete and quarry products used in these works have been sourced locally.

Excavations for wind turbine foundations will be completed and construction of concrete reinforcement cages and further wind turbine foundation pours will occur over the next four weeks.

Delivery of electricity poles to site, in advance of powerline works between the wind farm and Hamills Lane, will commence in the next fortnight, weather permitting.



Map showing indicative route of new powerline

### **Wind Turbine Foundation Concrete Pours**

Pouring of the large concrete wind turbine foundations involves truck deliveries of concrete to site between 7am and mid-afternoon.

To ensure that there is no disruption to the school bus run during concrete deliveries, Pacific Hydro has collaborated with local schools and an escort 'spotter' vehicle has been provided at times when the bus travels along Geelong-Ballan Road during deliveries. This vehicle is in radio communication with the trucks to advise them of any stops; and all truck drivers have been reminded to follow the road rules of 40km/h speed around the school bus. Concrete truck movements are usually completed by the mid-afternoon.

Given the size of each foundation, temperature and weather conditions on any particular day may affect the time taken for the concrete to cure. While our standard construction hours are 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday and 7am to 1pm Saturday, it may be necessary for some workers to remain on site after these times to ensure that the concrete cures in a stable and even manner, as once the pouring process has commenced it cannot be interrupted.

For safety reasons, the area must be appropriately lit but to minimise any impact on our neighbours, these lights will be directed away from neighbouring properties.

### **Project Updates**

All project updates are shared on the Yaloak South Wind Farm Project page on our website ([www.pacifichydro.com.au](http://www.pacifichydro.com.au)). If you have any enquiries, concerns, or feedback please don't hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely



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