



Keyneton Wind Farm

Dear Keyneton community member

Thank you to those who gave up their time to meet with representatives from Pacific Hydro and its engagement partner, RPS, last month. This was a valuable opportunity for Pacific Hydro to hear from its neighbours to understand each resident's specific situation in relation to the Keyneton wind farm and address questions. We hope those residents who took up the offer to meet also got value out of the meeting.

Through these discussions, a number of key areas of interest were raised and Pacific Hydro welcomes the opportunity to respond to these. As part of Pacific Hydro's commitment to open and transparent communications, this update will also be shared with other neighbours who were not able to meet with Pacific Hydro and will be available online.

Noise considerations

Pacific Hydro acknowledges that wind turbine generators are mechanical objects and as such, create sound. Pacific Hydro is obliged to manage noise where it is generated. Noise – any noise – as it is perceived or heard by individuals will differ from one individual to another.

Measurable noise levels at a given location are influenced by factors such as proximity to the noise source as well as topography, vegetation, and other objects in the landscape that may influence, absorb or 'block' the free movement of noise. Notwithstanding this, Pacific Hydro is committed to working with its neighbours at Keyneton to understand the unique circumstances of neighbouring properties, their occupants and ways of mitigating operational noise, if necessary.

Property values

Based on Pacific Hydro's experience developing and operating other wind farms across the country, Pacific Hydro has not seen evidence of negative impacts on average property values in the vicinity of its wind farm developments.

Of note, in 2016 the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) commissioned Urbis to undertake an investigation into the potential impact of wind farm developments on property prices in NSW. Urbis found there was insufficient sales data to provide a definitive answer to the question of whether wind farm development in NSW impacts on surrounding land values utilising statistically robust quantitative analysis techniques.

A copy of the Urbis report is available online: <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/resources/communities/wind-farm-value-impacts-report.pdf>

Ongoing engagement

During the June visits, project representatives indicated a community drop in session was proposed for the end of June. Our one-on-one conversations during this time were so valuable that we plan to continue these discussions through July and August, with a broader community session now being planned for late August/September.

Pacific Hydro is committed to ongoing and genuine involvement with the local community during the secondary consent process prior to construction.

Please be advised that any formal meetings organised and hosted by Pacific Hydro and/or its representatives will be advertised primarily through Pacific Hydro's website <http://www.pacifichydro.com.au/english/projects/development/keyneton-wind-farm/?language=en> but also through other media such as newspapers, letterbox drops and social media.

Community engagement timeline

- **Community conversations**
July – August 2018
- **Community drop in session**
August/September 2018
- **Detailed environmental management planning and secondary consents**
Late 2018 – early 2019
- **Construction commences**
Mid 2019
- **Completion**
Early to mid 2020

Key features

- The wind farm will have up to 42 wind turbine generators.
- Construction includes the following ancillary infrastructure:
 - Approximately 45km of access tracks
 - Approximately 42km of underground cabling
 - One electrical substation
 - Up to three permanent meteorological masts
 - Up to five temporary meteorological masts
 - Three temporary construction compounds
 - An overhead transmission line approximately 6km long.
- Once completed, the wind farm will have the capacity to generate 325 gigawatt-hours of electricity per year – enough to power approximately 60,000 households.
- The local community will be provided with opportunities to identify initiatives and projects that Pacific Hydro can support through its Community Investment Program.

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About Pacific Hydro

Pacific Hydro is a global renewable energy owner, operator and developer. Active in Australia since the early 1990s, it now operates over 450MW of installed wind and hydro capacity.

Further Information

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