



MT FYANS WIND FARM PROJECT



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Mt Fyans Wind Farm's Referral under Victorian Environment Effects Act

Woolnorth Wind Farms is continuing to make progress towards gaining development approval for the Mt Fyans Wind Farm.

The Victorian Government is the approval body for wind energy facilities. Part of its role is assessing projects that are likely to have a major impact on the environment.

Woolnorth has aimed to design the proposed Mt Fyans Wind Farm in a way that is responsive to the environmental and heritage values of the site and locality.

The proposed development is informed by a range of technical assessments across areas such as:

- endangered flora, fauna & communities
- noise from turbines & construction activity
- landscape & visual impacts
- cultural heritage geoheritage.

An application, which includes these assessments, has now been referred to the Minister for Planning under the Environmental Effects Act 1978 to determine whether

an Environmental Effects Statement (EES) is required.

There are a range of impacts that may trigger a requirement for an EES. A trigger may be:

- clearing more than 10ha of significant vegetation community
- potential long term change to a RAMSAR wetland.

The EES referral for the Mt Fyans project is available at the following web site:

<https://www.planning.vic.gov.au/environmental-assessment/decisions-on-ees-referrals>



Welcome to second edition of the Mt Fyans Wind Farm Project Newsletter.

We trust you will find the information and updates covered in each edition helpful. We look forward to your feedback and comments.

Public Display in Mortlake

On 5 & 6 May 2017, Woolnorth Wind Farms hosted a Public Display at the Olivine Cafe in Mortlake.

The project team was on hand to answer questions on the proposed plans. Over 70 people were in attendance over the two days.

There was a high level of support for the venture within the community, with many residents interested in staying in communication with Woolnorth.

Some residents were concerned about:

- the type of sound turbines may make
- the visibility of turbines from neighboring houses
- use of local roads by heavy vehicles.

Woolnorth will continue to communicate with residents who have these concerns.

The information presented at the public display is available at: <http://www.woolnorthwind.com.au/>



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