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Mt Fyans Wind Farm

Fire safety on site



Mt Fyans Wind Farm is located in Victoria's Southwest Renewable Energy Zone, a key region earmarked for the development of clean, renewable energy generation, transmission and decarbonisation projects to meet the needs of future generations.

The project is currently progressing through planning approvals. Once complete the Wind Farm is expected to operate for 25 years.

Managing Bushfire risk

A Bushfire assessment has been undertaken as part of the project's planning application. The assessment addresses the requirements of the Emergency Management Guidelines for Wind Energy Facilities.

To address the requirements of the Emergency Management Guidelines the project will incorporate a number of fire and risk management strategies into the proposal, including:

- Inclusion of an appropriate, defensible space around infrastructure including wind turbines, substations and control buildings
- Installation of a suitable water supply around the project area
- Safe access and evacuation arrangements for facility staff and emergency services.

Fire danger in Victoria

The Fire Danger Period in the South West Victoria CFA Fire District is between October to April. The wind farm is mainly in CFA District 5 with parts of the site north of the Woorndoo-Darlington Rd being in CFA District 16.

The Bushfire Emergency Plan will consider the Fire Danger Rating triggers for modifying site activities, closure of the facility and shutting down of construction activities or turbines.

Bushfire is a very real and very serious threat to the community and the utmost care will be taken with planning and carrying out all activities when a fire risk is present.



Bushfire Emergency Plan

A Bushfire Emergency Plan (BEP) will be developed in consultation with the local CFA for construction and operation of the wind farm.

The plan will include site specific procedures and mitigations relating to bushfire preparedness. Including:

- Site maintenance and management responsibilities
- Location of water supply points
- Bushfire response and evacuation arrangements
- Measures to respond to broader landscape fire risks beyond the project area.



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