

# Bell Bay Wind Farm

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## Project Update

### Major Project Declaration

On the 31st July 2024 the Minister for Planning declared the Bell Bay Wind Farm a Major Project in accordance with the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*. An independent panel will now be assembled by the Tasmanian Planning Commission to prepare the assessment criteria required by the Major Projects approval pathway, and which informs all studies and activities we need to undertake before applying for project development approval.

The public will have an opportunity to be involved through the consultation, exhibition and hearing stages of the planning process. We will continue to provide more detail on the approval pathway and how you can engage with the process as we progress.

The Minister for Planning has **declared the Bell Bay Wind Farm a Major Project** in accordance with the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*.

### EPBC Referral Action

On the 5th August 2024 the Australian Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) referred the project as a controlled action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act).

DCCEEW will prepare assessment guidelines required to be addressed for the project's considerations and approval.

## Project Snapshot



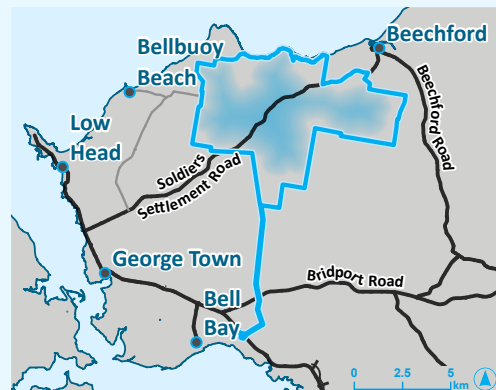
**Turbines**  
Up to **28**



**Installed Capacity**  
Up to **224MW**



**BESS**  
Up to **100MW/400MWh**



#### Legend

- Bell Bay Wind Farm project extent
- Wind turbine area

### Approvals Status

#### State:

Declared Major Project

#### Commonwealth:

Referred as a controlled action

### Benefits



Creates up to **192 JOBS**



Supports the **200% TRET**



Powering up to **104,000** TAS homes



Generating up to **224MW** energy



## Community Information Session

Thank you to all the community members who attended our first community information session at the Beechford community hub on 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

The community information sessions provided an opportunity for:

- the local community to talk with our team about the proposed wind farm, learn more about the Project and its potential impacts and benefits, and
- our team to learn about the local communities' needs and values.

We thank the community for their hospitality and acknowledge the generosity and support of the Beechford Residents and Property Owners Association, who helped to host the information session and provide a delicious BBQ lunch. We also thank TnT Catering for supplying the appetizing catering.

We will be hosting more community information sessions as we progress the development to keep you informed and updated. We will also share regular project updates through subsequent newsletters, our website and online engagement platform.

## Cultural Awareness Training

Before the community information session our team took the opportunity to participate in cultural awareness training with a senior Aboriginal Heritage Officer to learn about the local first nations people as well as trying some local bush tucker.

## Project Timeline



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