



Fact sheet

Jackson North Wind Farm

Indicative Approval Process








Equis will seek primary development and environmental approvals from both the Queensland State and Commonwealth Governments.

State Assessment and Approval Process

The Project will apply for a Material Change of Use (Wind Farm) and Operational Work (Vegetation Clearing) Development Permits through the State Assessment and Referral Agency (SARA). The application process will evaluate the environmental, social, and engineering impacts of the development to ensure that individuals, communities, and the environment are not adversely affected during the construction, operation, and decommissioning of the Project.

Commonwealth Assessment and Approval Process

The Project will be referred to the Commonwealth Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) for approval under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act). This process will focus on assessing impacts on Matters of National Environmental Significance (MNES) to ensure that all known federally listed flora and fauna are adequately protected throughout the project's construction, operation, and decommissioning phases.

Indicative State Approval Process and Timeframe ¹	
 Pre-lodgement meeting with SARA	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <div style="margin-right: 10px;">Q3 2024</div> <div style="flex-grow: 1; border-left: 2px solid blue; border-right: 2px solid blue; position: relative;"> <div style="position: absolute; top: -10px; left: 50%; transform: translate(-50%, -50%);">↓</div> <div style="position: absolute; bottom: -10px; left: 50%; transform: translate(-50%, -50%);">↓</div> </div> <div style="margin-left: 10px;">Q4 2025</div> </div>
 Prepare Planning Report and technical assessment reports demonstrating compliance with State code 23: planning guidelines ³	
 Lodge State development application	
 State assessment period	
 Information Request and response period	
 Final assessment of Project material	
 Decision	

Indicative Commonwealth Approval Process and Timeframe ²	
 Pre-lodgement meeting with DCCEEW	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <div style="margin-right: 10px;">Q4 2024</div> <div style="flex-grow: 1; border-left: 2px solid blue; border-right: 2px solid blue; position: relative;"> <div style="position: absolute; top: -10px; left: 50%; transform: translate(-50%, -50%);">↓</div> <div style="position: absolute; bottom: -10px; left: 50%; transform: translate(-50%, -50%);">↓</div> </div> <div style="margin-left: 10px;">Q4 2026</div> </div>
 Prepare and refer MNES assessments to DCCEEW	
 Public exhibition (opportunity to make submissions about the development)	
 Controlled Action Notice and Assessment Guidelines Issued	
 Preparation and Lodgement of Impact Assessment Report	
 Public exhibition (opportunity to make submissions about the development)	
 Response to submission	
 Final Impact Assessment Report issued	
 Decision	

¹ https://planning.statedevelopment.qld.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0017/55700/development-assessment.pdf

² <http://www.dcceew.gov.au/environment/epbc/approvals>

³ https://www.planning.qld.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0027/67284/sdap-v3.0-state-code-23-wind-farm-development.pdf