

## **FAQs - Approvals Process**

1. What has been approved?

The planning permit allows for the construction of up to 13 turbines with a maximum height of 230 metres. The minimum clearance of the turbine blades from the ground level is 66 metres.

A copy of the planning permit and the independent Panel report which provided an assessment of the application can be sourced from the below;

[Woolsthorpe Wind Farm Panel \(planningpanels.vic.gov.au\)](http://planningpanels.vic.gov.au)

2. What happens now the permit has been granted?

The planning permit includes various conditions which are required to be satisfied;

- Prior to works commencing
- During construction
- Post construction through operations

The conditions to be met prior to works commencing are currently being reviewed by the various consultants and the project team. Where the condition nominates, consultation with the relevant Authority / Department will occur to inform these documents.

The plans/reports will then be prepared and finalised before being submitted to the Department of Transport and Planning (DTP) for assessment and ultimately, endorsement.

Once endorsed, these plans and reports will be publicly available on the proponent website. They will supersede the previously endorsed documents.

3. How long does it take to get documents endorsed and is the community involved in this process?

There is no statutory timeframe to have plans and documents endorsed. The time this can take varies given the inputs required from various other statutory bodies.

We would anticipate up to 6 months for approval.

There is no statutory requirement for community consultation whilst plans and documents are being prepared and submitted. This is because the documents are being prepared as per the permit conditions.

The project team will provide updates via the Community Engagement Committee (CEC) noting when documents are submitted and when approval is received.

4. Where can I get copies of endorsed documents?

Once endorsed, documents will be available on the proponent website.

5. Where will the windfarm connect to the grid?

Energy generated to be evacuated via a 66kV distribution line from the project substation onsite to the Koroit Zone Substation using currently vacant road reserves as well as overbuild of existing Powercor network. For more detail, please refer to the Distribution Line Overview document, linked on website under "Overview and Useful Links".