



PROPOSED Milyeannup Wind Farm

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Verve Energy proposes to build a wind farm on the south coast, 20 kilometres east of Augusta.

Verve Energy, WA's leading electricity producer, is carrying out a feasibility study to investigate the technical, commercial, environmental and social aspects of the proposed wind farm at Milyeannup.

Verve Energy could install up to 37 wind turbines producing about 55 MW of clean, renewable electricity if the project proceeds. The output would be enough to supply the combined household electricity use in the surrounding Shires south of Bunbury and west of Walpole.

The Milyeannup Wind Farm feasibility study is due for completion mid-2009. The decision on whether the wind farm proceeds will be made when the feasibility study is completed. The project would cost about \$160 million.

PUBLIC DISPLAYS

To give local residents access to more information about the proposed wind farm, Verve Energy has organised displays at Augusta and Nannup in early April. Verve Energy staff will be available at these displays to answer your questions on the proposed wind farm and provide you with additional information on the project.

In Nannup, the display will be at the Shire Offices (Shirley Humble Room) on Tuesday 7 April from midday to 4pm, with an information session from 7–8.30pm. In Augusta, the display will be on Wednesday 15 April from midday to 4pm, with an information session from 7–8.30pm. The Augusta venue is the Telecentre at 66 Allnutt Terrace.

We encourage you to attend one of these displays and we invite your feedback on the proposed wind farm.

MORE INFORMATION

Verve Energy has been consulting with the local community and government approval agencies for well over 12 months.

This consultation will continue, along with completion of a range of environmental studies

including those on birds, flora, fauna and visual impact. In addition, Verve Energy will do soil testing of the ground on which the turbines could be built as part of the planning for the foundations.

Applications for approvals will be lodged with various agencies such as the Shire of Nannup and the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA).

Verve Energy has a well-earned reputation for successfully planning and building wind energy projects with a strong emphasis on quality community consultation. Successful projects include wind farms at Albany, Esperance and Kalbarri and wind-diesel projects at Hopetoun, Bremer Bay, Denham and Coral Bay.

This stakeholder newsletter is being made available to people, groups and organisations with an interest in the project.

Further stakeholder updates will be provided as the project progresses.

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