

PUBLIC NOTICE - INVITATION TO COMMENT

ALBERTON WIND FARM, ALBERTON WEST, VICTORIA

Draft Assessment Documentation (EPBC 2017/7854) **(Public comment period: 29/08/2018 to 01/10/2018)**

Synergy Wind Pty Ltd proposes to build and operate a Wind Farm comprising 34 Turbines with a maximum blade tip height of 200m and Removal of 1.195 hectares of native vegetation and sixteen (16) scattered trees associated supporting infrastructure, including access roads, and underground cables to link the proposed turbines in the Alberton area, Victoria.

The project or action (EPBC 2017/7854) requires approval under the Commonwealth Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act). The relevant controlling provisions for matters of national environmental significance (MNES) are: sections 18 and 18A (listed threatened species and communities), sections 20 & section 20A (listed migratory species) and section 16 & section 17B (the ecological character of a declared Ramsar wetland).

Assessment of the project's (action) impacts on MNES are being assessed by the State of Victoria through an accredited process under Schedule 1 (item 2.1 (f)) of the Bilateral (Assessment Agreement) between the Commonwealth and the State under the EPBC Act. The proponent's draft Assessment Documentation, being exhibited as part of the planning permit process, describes the likely impacts on MNES as well as feasible alternatives, mitigation measures and proposed offsets to address relevant impacts on MNES for the Alberton Wind Farm.

Interested persons are invited to submit comments on this draft Assessment Documentation and the project's impacts on MNES by 5:00pm on 01 October 2018.

Please send comments on the draft Assessment Documentation via email (preferred) to:

- environment.assessment@delwp.vic.gov.au

Alternatively, comments can be posted to:

- Impact Assessment (Planning) Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning GPO Box 2392 MELBOURNE VIC 3001

A copy of the exhibited documentation can be downloaded from the Synergy Wind's website:

<http://www.synergy-wind.com/projects/alberton-wind-farm/> or the department's website:

<https://www.planning.vic.gov.au/environmental-assessment/environmental-assessment-bilateral-agreement>

Note: If you experience any problems downloading or viewing any of the exhibited documentation or require assistance accessing them please telephone the proponent on the number below.

Hard copies may be obtained from: Synergy Wind

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A CD version can be obtained (free of charge) from the above address.

Hard copies can be viewed at:

- Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, Foyer, 8 Nicholson St, East Melbourne, Mon-Fri 9am-5pm