

Paling Yards Wind Farm

Project Overview

Paling Yards Wind Farm is a proposed wind farm that will be located approximately **30 kilometres north of Taralga and 60 kilometres south of Oberon**. The site was chosen due to its consistent and strong winds suitable options for grid connection and road accessibility.

The Project is proposed to have **up to 47 wind turbines** with blade tip height of 240m. installed **capacity of up to 290 MW**. An on-site substation, around 8 kilometres of overhead 132 kV powerline and a 132/500kV switching station will connect to **TransGrid's existing Mt Piper to Bannaby 500kV transmission line**.

The Wind Farm is being developed by **Global Power Generation Australia (GPG Australia)**, the Australian branch of international energy generator GPG. It will deliver renewable, low-cost energy to the national grid, and will contribute to the NSW Government's net-zero emissions target by 2050.

Highlights

Following two years of ecological studies, technical assessments, and community consultation the development application and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed Paling Yards Wind Farm in the Oberon of New South Wales has been lodged with the NSW Department of Planning and Environment. The application has been reviewed and it is now on public exhibition for four weeks until 6th November 2023. It can be accessed from below:

- The NSW Planning Portal for Major Projects: https://pp.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/palingyards-wind-farm-0
- Paling yards wind farm website: https://palingyardswindfarm.globalpower-generation.com.au/

During the exhibition period members of the public have the opportunity to review the EIS and make a formal submission to the Department.

Tentative Timeline

PHASE/MILESTONE	TIMEFRAME
Submit Environmental Impact Statement	September 2023
Public Exhibition	10 th October – 6 th November 2023
Response to Public Submissions	March 2024
Assessment by DPE	April 2024
Determination	June 2024
Construction Expected to Commence	Q1 2025
Wind Farm Operational	Q3 2026

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Project Benefits

- Significant investment in the local region, estimated at \$500 million (Capital Cost)
- Enough renewable energy to supply approximately 90,000 Australian homes for a year.
- 900,000 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions reduction each year of operation
- Around 400 construction jobs and 4 long-term operations jobs
- Upgrades to local road infrastructure
- Benefits and different initiatives associated with local Community:
 - ✓ Neighbourhood Benefit Program to share the financial benefits of the wind farm with the closest neighbours, who may be impacted by the activities at the site during the construction and operation periods, to contribute to the local community as good long-term neighbour in the area.
 - ✓ Community Development Fund to be implemented during the operation phase of the wind farm to develop priority local community projects.
 - ✓ Local School Program including educational sessions on renewables, visits to operating wind farms, etc.
 - ✓ Sponsorships supporting local businesses campaign, local organisations, etc.

Staying informed

Please visit the project website <u>www.palingyardswindfarm.globalpowergeneration.com.au</u> for further information about the project.

If you have questions about the project, please email <u>palingyardswindfarm@globalpower-generation.com.au</u> or call 1800 457 181 You can sign up for our newsletter by sending us an email.



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