Victorian Renewable Energy Auction Scheme

The Victorian Renewable Energy Auction Scheme (VREAS) will support achievement of the Victorian Renewable Energy Targets (VRET).

These targets seek to ensure that 25 per cent of the State’s electricity generation comes from renewable sources by 2020, rising to 40 per cent of generation by 2025 and 50% by 2030.

Berrybank Wind Farm Break Down

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Community Engagement

- A local resident will be employed to support the design and delivery of Berrybank’s Community Engagement and Benefit Sharing Program.
- A local office will be available for community members to access information, ask questions and participate in the co-design elements of the Engagement and Benefit Sharing Program.

Community Benefits

A suite of programs will be designed to meet the needs of the local community, including:

- Neighbour agreements which value the involvement of neighbouring landowners.
- A Community Asset Initiative to deliver projects identified as immediate priorities by the community.
- A Community Solar Program for community facilities and low income and social housing.
- A significant Community Development Fund that will inject resources into local projects.
- The establishment of the Entrepreneur Incubator Program.

Local Investment Commitments

- Student Program to provide opportunities for students at local schools, Universities and TAFE.
- An opportunity for the community to name the wind farm.
- Contribute to the development and operation of the ‘Vestas Renewable Energy Hub’.

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Figure 1: Successful VRET Auction Projects

Learn More

- Contact the project proponent to find out more information.
- The Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning’s Customer Contact Centre will be available to provide information and support.