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.

Dundonnell Wind Farm Break Down

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<th>Wind</th>
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<td>No. of wind turbines</td>
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<td>Total generation</td>
<td>336 MW</td>
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<td>Jobs (created)</td>
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<td>Traineeships (created)</td>
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<td>Location</td>
<td>Dundonnell, 70km northeast of Warrnambool</td>
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<td>Company</td>
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Community Engagement

• Dundonnell Wind Farm will implement a comprehensive Stakeholder and Engagement Plan that will ensure the local community is appropriately engages and support the community through a Benefit Sharing Program.

Local Investment Commitments

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

• Contribution to the development and operation of the ‘Vestas Renewable Energy Hub’ which involves Vestas (the wind turbine manufacturer) establishing:
  – A Western Victorian Service Support Centre.
  – An Australian main component warehouse in Geelong.
  – A wind turbine hub manufacturing facility in partnership with a local contract manufacturer for a portion of the wind turbines to be supplied to the project.
  – A formal partnership with Carbon Nexus, a Deakin University initiative to research the next generation of carbon fibre, specifically for use in wind turbine blades.
  – Construction of approximately 15km of dual circuit 220kv transmission line which will form part of the total approximately 38km transmission line route associated with the Facility. This will enable the connection of future renewable energy facilities utilising the same transmission line infrastructure.
  – Implementation of the Dundonnell Community Mini Grid project, under which the project will, for approximately 35 dwellings in proximity to the project, subsidise the installation of high-quality solar and battery storage systems along with an advanced energy monitoring system.
  – Offer of competitively priced electricity contracts to regional Victorian businesses and primary producers to reduce their energy costs and help these businesses to continue to operate sustainably.

• Commitment to significant local content including procurement of a large number of locally produced wind turbine towers and a main power transformer for the project, along with the above local manufacturing initiatives.
• Implementation of an education fund for the life of the project, providing an opportunity for local youths to seek a tertiary education.

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Learn More

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

Figure 1: Successful VRET Auction Projects