

SITE INSPECTION NOTES		
Project:	Thunderbolt Wind Farm	
Meeting Location:	The Project Site and surrounding area	
Date:	Monday 11 March – Tuesday 12 March 2024	
ATTENDEES		
Commissioners:	Neal Menzies	Panel Chair
	Bronwyn Evans	
	Suellen Fitzgerald	
Office of the IPC:	Callum Firth	
	Kylie Dorsett	
	Stuart Morgan	
Applicant:	Aaron Gutteridge	Locations A to G only
	Penelope Williams	Locations A to G only
	Bill Wallach	Locations A to G only
LOCATIONS AND KEY OBSERVATIONS		

Site Visit

A. Proposed access road

The Panel met with the Applicant to observe the proposed Site access road form the New England Highway at the south-eastern boundary of the Project area, which included the point of the proposed intersection upgrade.

B. Spring creek crossing

The Commission Panel stopped to observe the proposed creek crossing over Spring Creek. The Panel observed the KYA-02 meteorological mast.

C. Proposed turbine 06

The Panel observed the proposed site of turbine 06 as well as the nearby proposed site of the switching station and substation.

D. Proposed turbine 04

The Panel stopped to observe the site of the proposed turbine 04 as well as the pre-existing 330kV transmission line towards the east of the proposed Project layout. The Panel also looked west towards KYA-01 meteorological mast and proposed turbines 13, 29 and 30.

E. Proposed turbine 06 - view point

Coming back toward the centre of the Site, the Panel stopped near the proposed turbine 06 again to look out towards the larger areas of intact forest and woodland towards the northern boundary of the Site.

F. Pine creek crossing

The Panel stopped near Pine Creek to view the site of a proposed batching plant, near the proposed above ground pipeline linking to Pine Creek Dam.

G. Meteorological mast - KYA-03

The Panel stopped at the KYA-03 meteorological mast, near the site of the proposed turbine 26.



Locality Tour

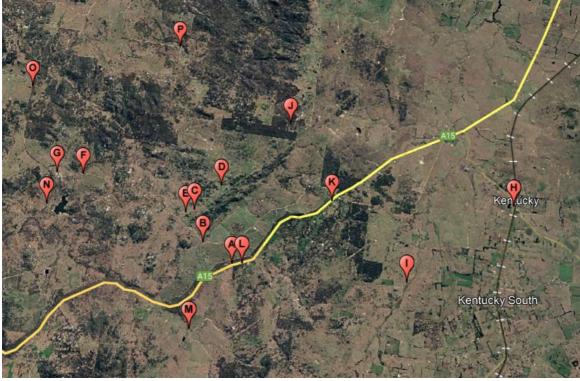
On Tuesday 12 March 2024, the Commission Panel drove around the Site boundary using local roads to observe the locality and gain a greater understanding of the local context of the Site. The Panel stopped at the following points:

- H. Kentucky town centre
- I. Intersection of Traceys Road and Old Wollun Road
- J. Borgers Road
- K. Near 6884 New England Highway
- L. Near 6456 New England Highway
- M. Rimbanda Road
- N. Green Valley Road, near Pine Creek Dam
- O. Intersection of Green Valley Road and Balala Road
- P. Dalveen Road



SITE INSPECTION MAP







SITE INSPECTION PHOTOS

Location C

Location of 'T6' Turbine









View to the North



Panoramic view of West-South-East



Location D Location of 'T4' Turbine



East View - View to proposed batching plant



North View – to proposed turbines T30, 29, 13 and 12 North View (Inset)





South West View with existing 330kV line



West View - to proposed turbine T31



Location E

Proposed turbine T6 -View of impacted biodiversity land to be offset



East View - with Woodland in view



North View - with woodland in view



North East View



Location F

Pine Creek crossing to be upgraded



East View



West View - direction of proposed above ground pipeline



North View - Pine Creek crossing



South View - toward location of proposed batching plant



Location G

Location of 'T26' Turbine





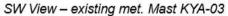


East View

South View

North View







West View



Location H

Kentucky Town Centre



Southwest View



Northwest View



Location I

Intersection of Traceys Road and Old Wollun Road



Southwest View



Northwest View



Location J

Receptor cluster 222, 219, 220





East View



North View



South View

West View



Location K

Receptor cluster 5 and 6



Northeast New England Highway



Northwest View - Towards Site



Southwest New England Highway



Location L

Receptor cluster 27, 28, 29 and 41



Northwest Towards Site



Northeast New England Highway



Southwest New England Highway



Location M

Rambada Road



View from Rimbanda Road



Location N

Green Valley Road, Bendemeer



Location of T26 from Green Valley Road



View of site and Pine Creek Dam from Green Valley Road



Location O

Intersection adjacent to Receptor 55



View of site from intersection of Green Valley Road and Balala (Looanga) Road



Location P

Road to Receptor cluster 308, 309, 311 and 312



Intersection of Dalveen and Allinghams Road



View toward Allinghams Road