

HILLS OF GOLD WIND FARM

Public Meeting

1st and 2nd February 2024



RESTRICTED

INTERNAL

SECRET



Acknowledgement of Country

ENGIE acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of all the lands and waters upon which we work, live and play.

We acknowledge the Gomeroi people as the Traditional Custodians of the land the Hills of Gold Wind Farm is proposed on.

We recognise that for many thousands of years, the Traditional Custodians of this Country cared for and lived harmoniously with this place, and we pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

ENGIE is committed to a just, equitable and reconciled Australia and recognise that we all have a role to play in achieving this vision.

The Artwork

One of Hay's local First Nations artists, **Emma Johnston**, celebrates a connection to culture, Country and the wind in this piece titled '*Blue Winds*'.



About ENGIE

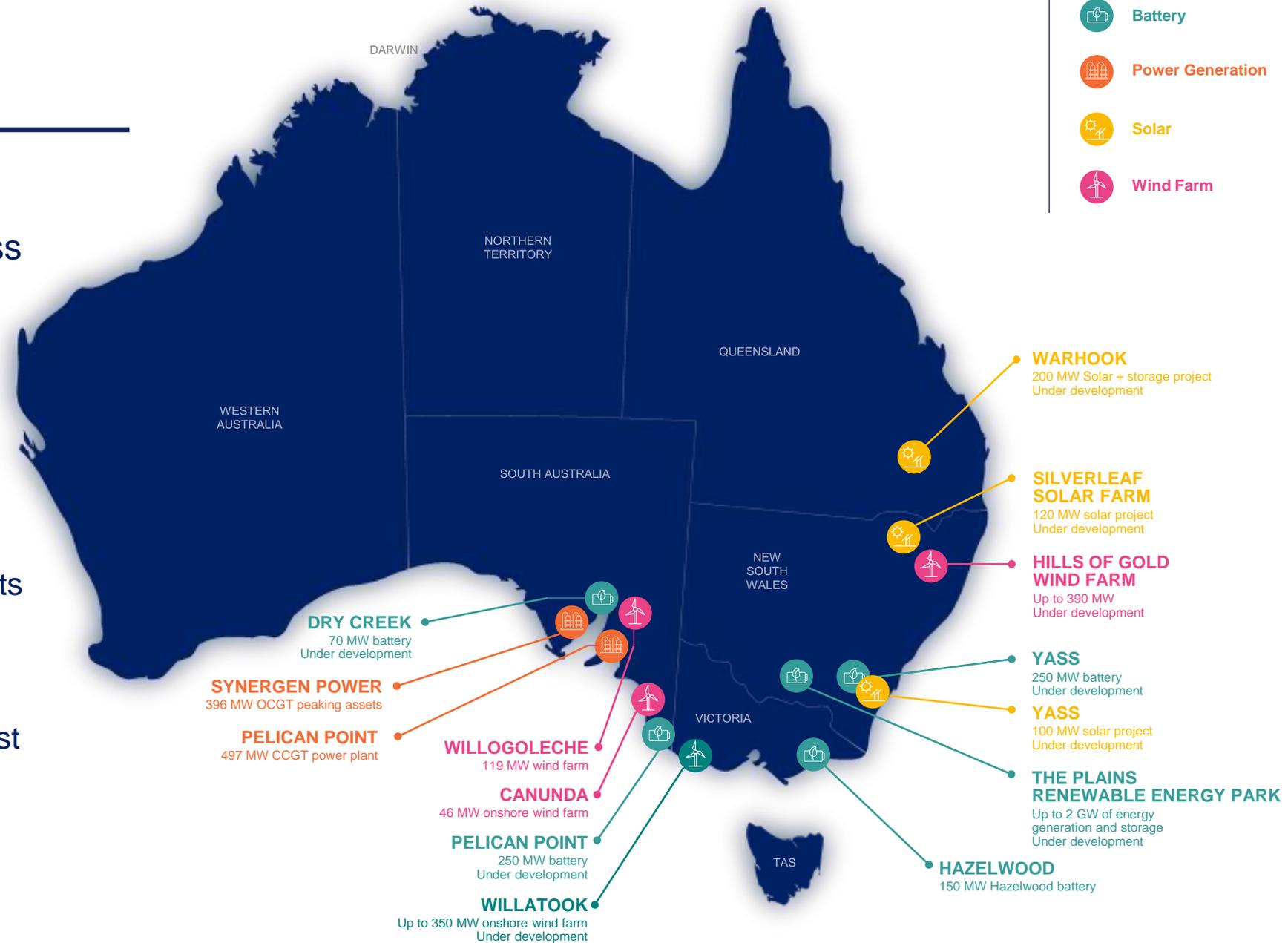
37.8 GW of renewable energy production installed capacity across 31 countries

700,000 retail customers across Australia

Committed to accelerating the energy transition with a global target to be **Net Zero Carbon by 2045**

In Australia, this requires over **3 GW** of renewable energy and storage assets operational by 2030

Commissioned the **150 MW Hazelwood Battery Energy Storage System** at Australia's first retired coal-fired power station



Project Overview



Up to 62 wind turbines

maximum height of 230 metres, generating enough renewable energy to power up to **163,000 average homes**



Significantly stronger wind resource

than most other wind farms in operation or under development in NSW



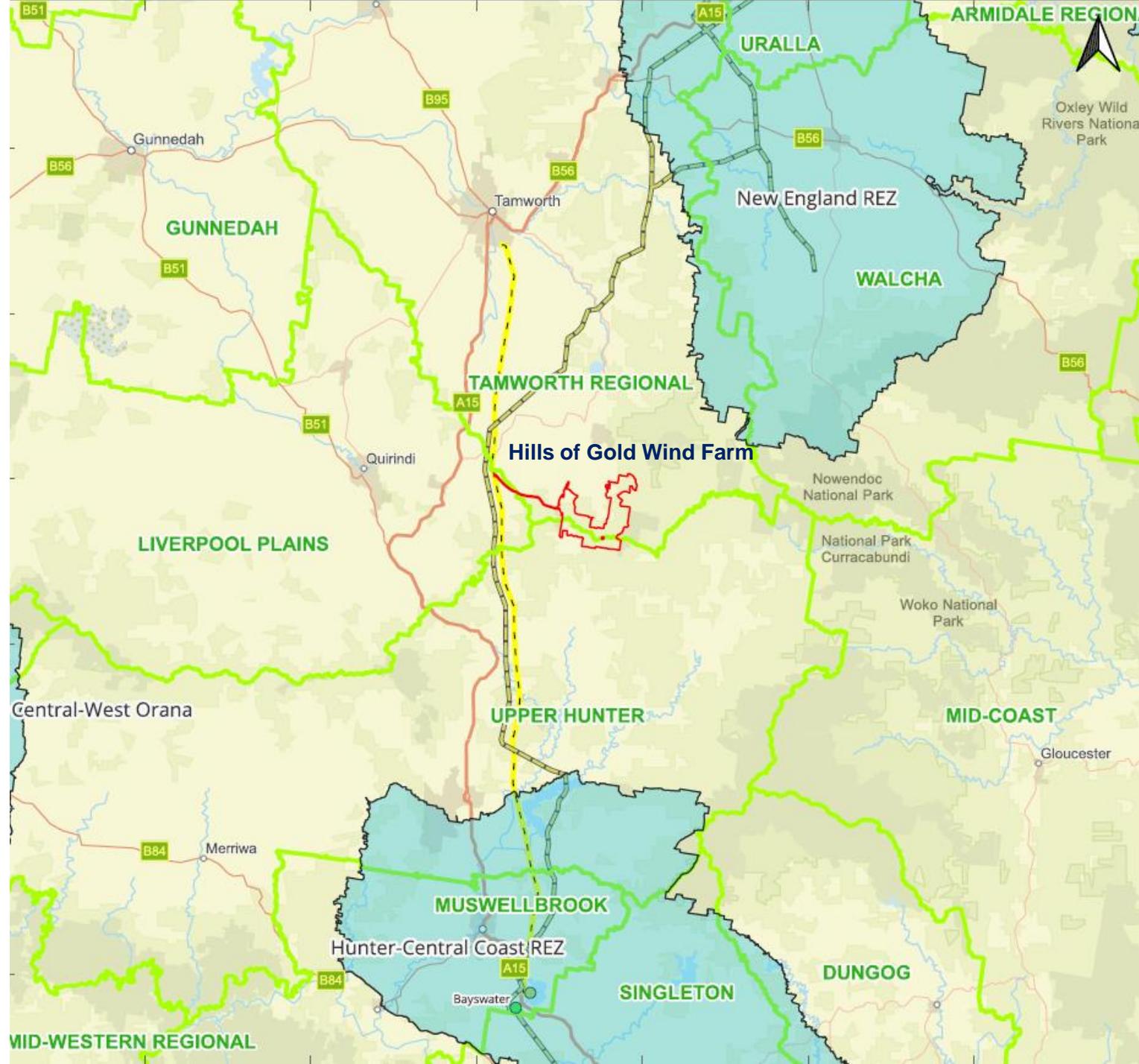
Would connect into existing 330kV Transgrid Liddell to Tamworth network

unlike REZ projects that must wait for transmission to be built



Regional context

- Historic land use industries such as forestry and grazing
- Low population density in immediate proximity with regional centres close by
- Low visual impact compared to other wind farms in NSW



Our Commitment to the Community



Funding Commitment

Original

\$2,500

***per turbine**

2021 Increases

\$3,000

***per turbine**

2023 Revision

\$6,000

***per turbine**

\$11,189,059.53

**Total funding contribution
for 62 turbine project**

**Based on 30-year lifetime*



Local Energy Offer

In co-operation with our retail business Simply Energy, we are committed to launching special offers and campaigns for local residents which we aim to provide upon operation of the Hills of Gold Wind Farm.



First Nations Agreement

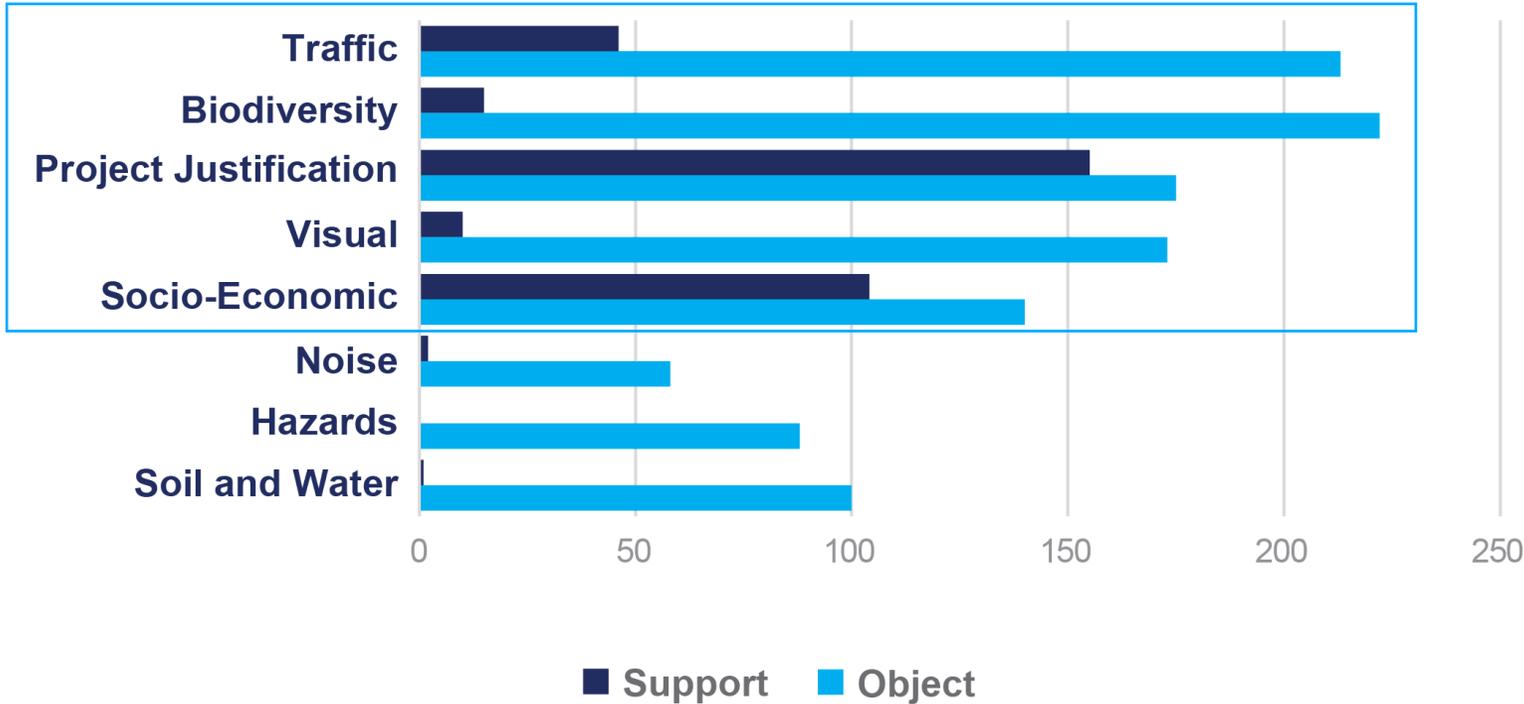
\$90,000 combined p.a.

offered to Gomeroi Native Title Group
and Nungaroo LALC

What Engagement Told Us

Submissions Received in 2021 EIS Public Exhibition

KEY ISSUES RAISED IN SUPPORTIVE AND OBJECTION SUBMISSION



INTERACTIONS PRIOR TO AMENDMENT REPORT

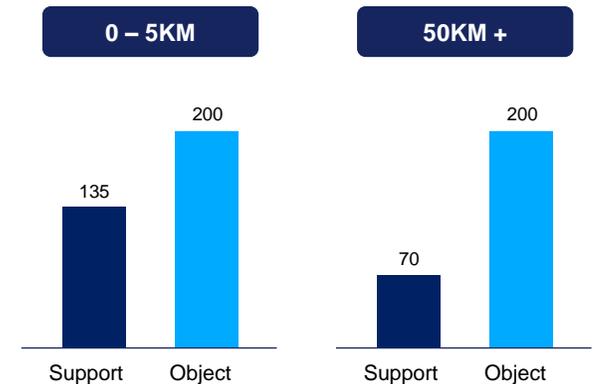


400 Neighbours
within 5km



785 Broader Community
outside 5km

SUBMISSIONS DURING PUBLIC EXHIBITION OF EIS



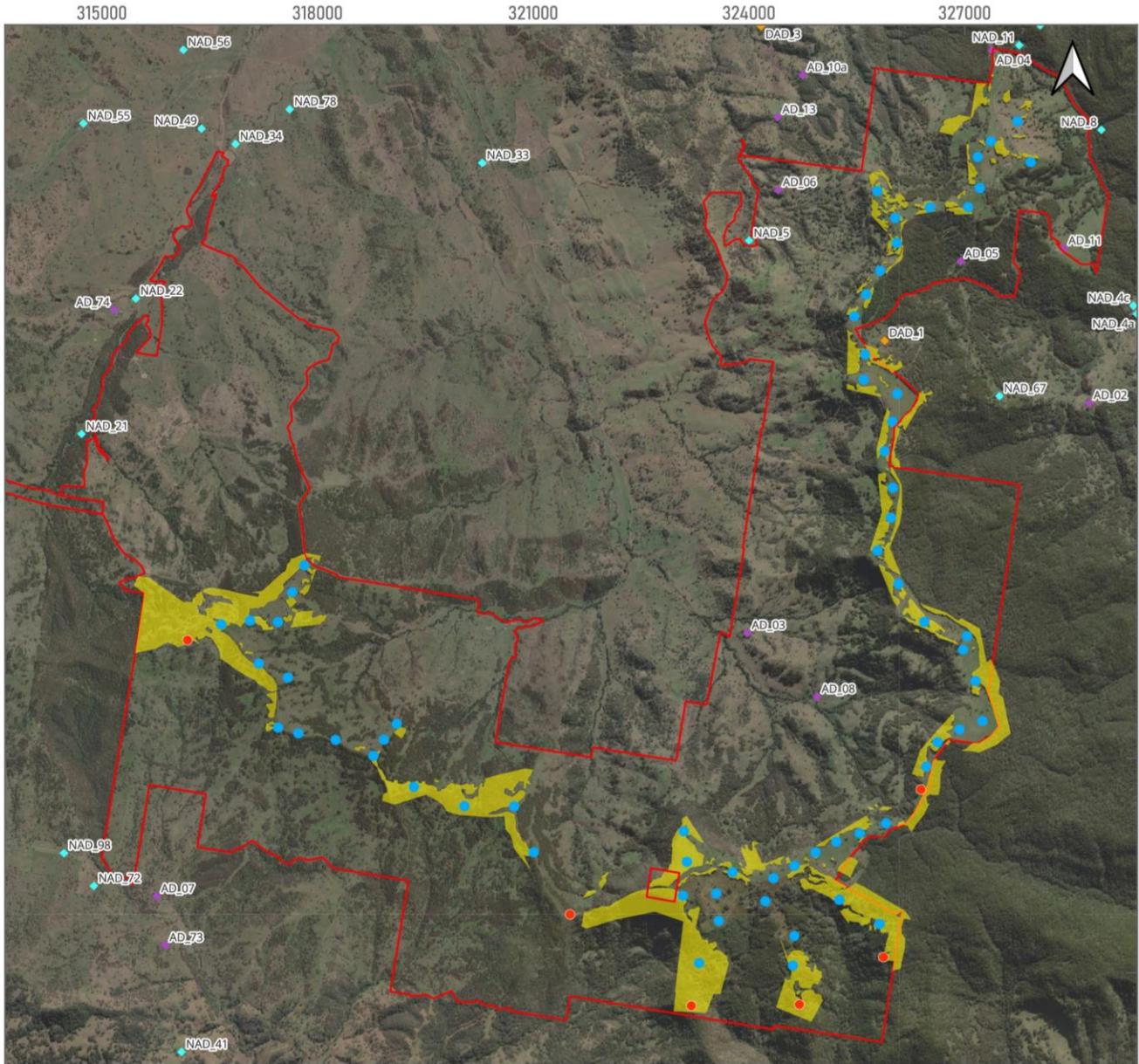
Project changes based on feedback



Hills of Gold Wind Farm Project Development - V2

Legend

- Project Area
- WTG Locations**
- Lodged
- Removed
- 1194 - Snow Gum - Mountain Gum
Mountain Ribbon Gum open forest
- Dwellings**
- ◆ Associated Dwelling
- ◆ Non Associated Dwelling
- ◆ Development Approved Dwelling



Design Change Phases

- Scoping Report 2018
97 Turbines
- EIS 2020
70 Turbines
- Project Amendments
23 Turbines Relocated
- **6 Turbines Removed**
- Amendment EIS 2022
64 Turbines

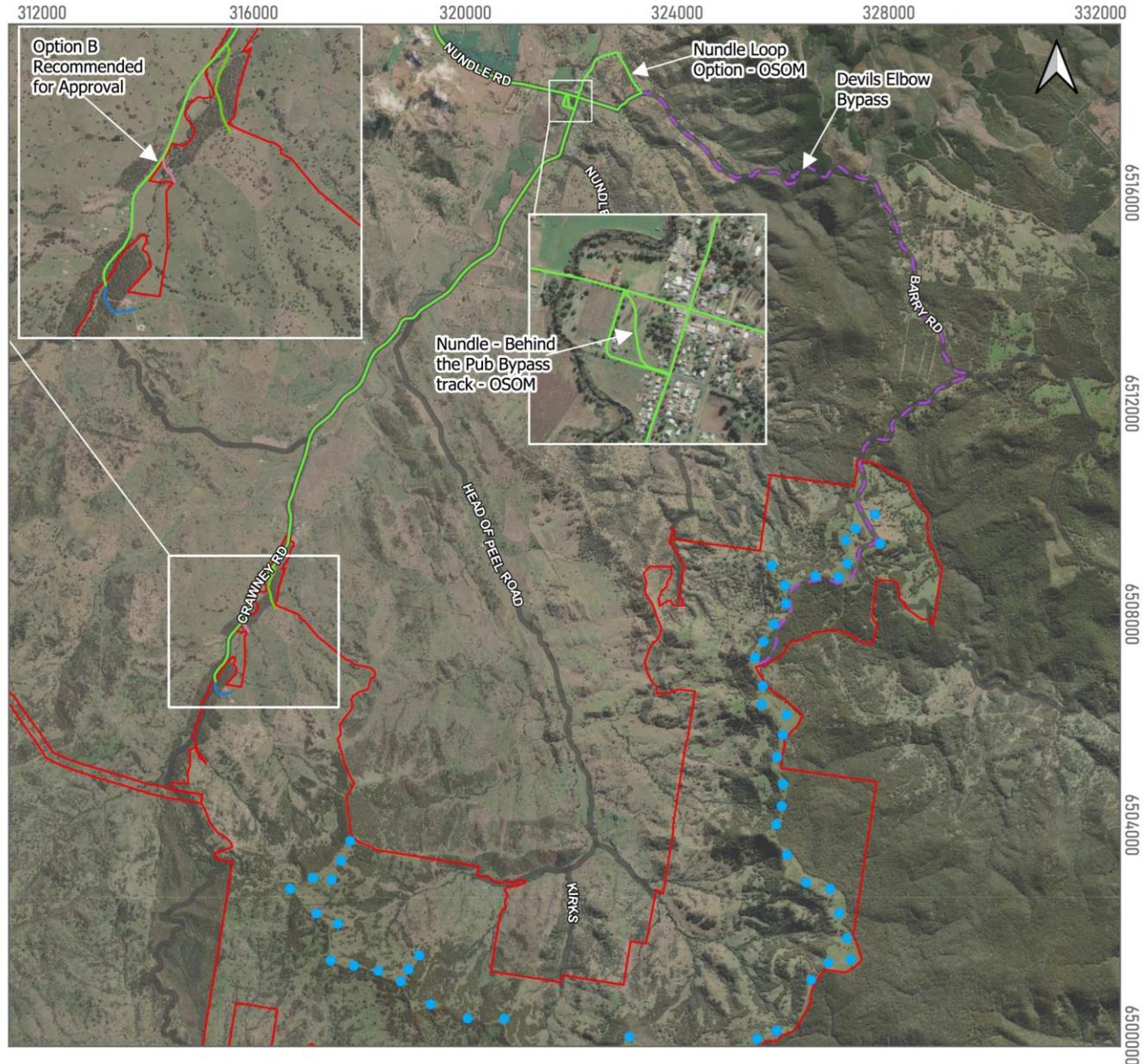
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Hills of Gold Wind Farm Transport Route - Amendment 2

Legend

- ▭ Project Area
- WTG Locations
- Transport Routes**
- Morrisons Gap Road - Construction Traffic - OSOM Removed
- Amendment Route - All OSOM
- Site Entrance Turnoff A - OSOM
- Site Entrance Turnoff B - OSOM - Recommended for Approval
- Site Entrance Turnoff C - OSOM



Design Change Phases

- Project Amendment
- **Removed Devils Elbow bypass**
- **Included Crawney Road and Nundle Options**
- **Split Local Traffic Volumes**
- **Included Site Access Options**

DPHI's Assessment Report and Recommended Conditions

ENGIE supports the majority of DPHI's assessment report and recommended conditions.

We are seeking the **reinstatement** of **15 turbines** to deliver **enhanced community benefits** and **environmental outcomes**.

The Project is seeking the following:

1. to reinstate turbines 53–63, 28 & 9-11
2. to allow for re-baselining of biodiversity offset obligations

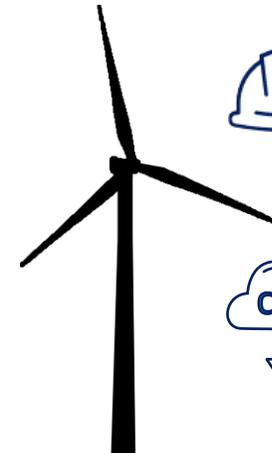


47,500
homes powered



\$53.1
million

into the local economy



150
jobs created



161,000
CO₂ per annum avoided