

Crookwell 3 Wind Farm

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Project Status

We are thrilled to announce the successful installation of the first wind turbine at Crookwell 3 Wind Farm. This marks a significant milestone for all the contractors involved, and we are proud of the progress made so far.

As we move forward, our plan is to continue with the assembly process, aiming to fully assemble one wind turbine per week, weather permitting. Our team is fully dedicated to ensuring the project's efficient and safe advancement, and we are committed to delivering a successful outcome.

We are pleased to report that we are continuing to receive components from Port Kembla as scheduled. To minimize disruptions, all deliveries are conducted in the early morning.

Activities On Site

- **Roads**
 - ✓ Internal roads progressing according to schedule.
 - ✓ Roads have coped successfully with the traffic of oversize trucks.
 - ✓ Providing drainage, and fixing potholes are some of the ongoing duties onsite to maintain the internal roads in good condition.
 - ✓ Specific traffic management procedures have been implemented to improve coordination during the deliveries.
- **Wind Turbine Foundations**
 - ✓ 70% of the turbines have been successfully assembled in their first stage.
 - ✓ 1 turbine fully assembled.
 - ✓ 12 foundations have received their components.
- **Trenching and Cabling**
 - ✓ RJE Global is currently engaged in trenching and laying the cables towards the substation located in Crookwell 2.
 - ✓ Traffic management procedures will be implemented to ensure normal operations for local traffic.



Components laying down, next to the foundations.

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Grid Connection

- RJE Global will be in charge of the installation of primary electrical equipment for Crookwell 3 in the coming months.
- The new substation buildings are being designed and will be built in South Australia. Installation on site is expected for October.



RJE Global is currently working on Woodhouselee Road on their way to the Substation located in Crookwell 2. Traffic management is in place.

Community Engagement & Benefit Sharing

Community Consultation Committee

Meetings with the Community Consultation Committee for Crookwell 2 & 3 Wind Farms will be resumed on August 16th.

Community Open Day

On July 27th, we hosted a Community Open Day to update the Upper Lachlan Shire community on the progress of the Crookwell 3 wind farm and address any queries they had regarding the project.



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The event featured five informative tables, namely Planning, Construction, Environment, Grid Connection and Community Engagement, to ensure accurate and up-to-date information delivery.

The event was attended by local community members, Upper Lachlan Shire Mayor and councillors. GPG team, key contractors and consultants involved in the project, including Divall's Group and RJE (civil and electrical contractors), Vestas (wind turbine supply, install, operations and maintenance contractor), Transgrid (transmission network service provider), and Ecology Consulting were present to engage with attendees.



Project Director David Santo Tomas (GPG), Councillor John Searl JP, Deputy Mayor Mandy McDonald, Alfonso Monedero (GPG), Mayor Pam Kensit and Marco Romero (GPG)



Ingrid Ríos and Worrell Jacinto (Lumea) and Maki Okamura (Transgrid)



Crookwell 3 Vestas Site manager John Fanni, Vestas Communications Manager Kilani Fischer and Vestas Project Manager Paul Moore



James Brighton and Alfonso Monedero (GPG), Caio Monteiro and Diego Riveiro (Divall's) and Constantinos Koutsouliotas (RJE)

Who's who?

David Santo Tomas – Project Director Crookwell 3 Wind Farm



David's journey and experiences within Naturgy and GPG Australia are truly inspiring and reflective of the evolving landscape of renewable energy and global work experiences.

David's tenure of over 20 years at Naturgy, spanning from the construction of gas combined cycles to his transition into the renewables department in 2011, showcases his commitment to embracing new challenges. He highlights the construction of a wind farm in Vredendal, South Africa, as a pivotal project in his career.

His move to Australia initially for two years, which eventually led to his family receiving citizenship

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after six years, speaks to the enriching experiences of living and working in a foreign country. The global nature of his work has not only contributed to his professional growth but has also shaped his personal life, as seen in his meeting his wife while working on a power plant project in Casablanca, Morocco. They now have two daughters, aged 7 and 10, who are enthusiastic soccer fans and ardent supporters of the Matildas, with a special fondness for Sam Kerr!

"Crookwell 3 has unique significance to me as I played a role in the construction of Crookwell 2 back in 2017, and Crookwell marks the starting point of my Australian adventure and my connection with the local community."

Do You Know About?

Four countries leading the charge on renewable energy

The urgency for a rapid shift to renewable energy has never been more pressing. The impact of climate change, fuelled by the combustion of coal, oil, and gas, is causing widespread devastation to communities, economies, and ecosystems across the globe. In the face of this challenge, immediate action is paramount.

There are indeed several countries that serve as inspiring examples. These nations are skilfully leveraging combinations of renewable resources and well-crafted, targeted policies to effectively decrease their emissions. These initiatives demonstrate that by embracing renewable energy technologies and implementing supportive measures, it's possible to achieve substantial progress in emission reduction.

Sweden



Costa Rica



Hydropower and Bioenergy: The combination of hydropower and bioenergy has been pivotal in Sweden's renewable energy transformation. Hydropower provides a consistent and clean source of electricity, while bioenergy involves the use of organic materials such as wood and agricultural residues to generate heat and electricity.

Diverse Renewable Portfolio: Costa Rica employs a diverse range of renewable energy sources, including hydropower, geothermal, wind, biomass, and solar power. This diversified approach ensures a resilient energy supply, as different sources can compensate for variations in weather and demand.

Scotland



Iceland



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Wind Power Dominance: Scotland's abundant wind resources have made wind power a significant contributor to their renewable energy landscape. Both onshore and offshore wind farms have played a pivotal role in boosting their clean energy generation.

Hydropower and Geothermal Energy: Iceland's abundant natural resources include hydropower and geothermal energy. These sources contribute to nearly 100% of the country's electricity needs. Hydropower harnesses the energy from Iceland's numerous rivers and waterfalls, while geothermal power taps into the heat stored beneath the Earth's surface.

Source: Climate Council

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