

MACINTYRE WIND FARM

Welcome to the MacIntyre Wind Farm Newsletter. We are committed to open and honest dialogue with our host communities and key stakeholders and we would like to keep you informed of our latest project to be delivered in Queensland.

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Positioned approximately 50 km south-west of Warwick and 10 km south of Karara, the MacIntyre Wind Farm Precinct will be located within 36,000 hectares of leased land. The MacIntyre Wind Farm Precinct will have an export capacity of approximately 1,026MW and will be constructed on land predominately used for sheep farming. Current farming practices will continue during the construction and operations phases of the wind farms.

For more information about the project visit acciona.com.au/macintyre. We have also developed a Community Hub webpage which is updated with the latest project news, including important information relating to transportation and logistics of turbine components. Please visit <https://community.acciona.com.au/macintyre> to subscribe for updates

Project Update

Civil works on the project are well under way and the team is getting ready for the deliveries of the main components. The upgrade of the Cunningham Hwy and Carbean Rd intersection has commenced, as have the upgrade of Carbean Rd down to the main site entrance (approx. 8km). This is causing some disruptions to public traffic, however detours and traffic management systems have been put in place to keep everyone safe.

The project itself has been broken into five zones which depict the order in which works will take place. Currently Zone 1, which has 27 Turbines, is where the majority of the works are happening. Along with the construction of the roads, there have been 10 Wind Turbine Generator (WTG) foundation excavations and five foundation pours completed.

The main components have started arriving at the Port of Brisbane with three ships having

offloaded to date. ACCIONA Energia and our logistics contractor, LCR, are working with TMR and QPS to finalise the tower section delivery route with the first deliveries expected to start by the end of October/early November. As soon as components arrive, BMS cranes, the main crane contractor, will mobilise and it is expected that the team will commence WTG erection early November 2022.



Q4 2022
Turbine Delivery



Q4 2023- Q1 2024
Testing & Commissioning



Q2 2024
Wind Farm Energisation



Q4 2024
Project Completion

First Foundation Poured!

The largest wind farm in the southern hemisphere has poured its first foundation for the record-breaking MacIntyre Wind Precinct. After three months of earthworks and ground preparation, concrete has begun to pour for 180 foundations that will support some of the most powerful onshore wind turbines in the world.

ACCIONA Energía Managing Director Brett Wickham said construction was proceeding at full steam, creating nearly 700 jobs and supporting hundreds of local businesses in the process.

"We're extremely grateful for the support we've received from the local community as we build this transformational project," said Mr Wickham.

The AUD \$2 billion project is procuring \$500 million in work from Queensland businesses. From earthworks, transport and accommodation to food and engineering, the project is being delivered to support as many Queensland businesses as possible.

"These major projects are vital in the regions helping to create new economic foundations

that can support larger local economies and new employment opportunities for those living in the area," said Mr Wickham.



First foundation pour at MacIntyre Wind Farm

Sponsorship Lunch

On Tuesday the 6th of September, community organisations in the Southern Downs and Goondiwindi region gathered at Rupert's Bar and Grill to celebrate their success in receiving sponsorship funding as a part of ACCIONA Energía's 2022 Sponsorship Program.

The program, which is run through the MacIntyre Wind Farm was developed by ACCIONA Energía as part of the project Community Benefits Sharing initiative. The initiative looks to share the economic benefits of the wind farm by supporting initiatives that contribute to the sustainable development of

the community. Every year, the program invites local community groups, operating close to the wind farm to apply for funding to help support their projects.

This year, over \$100,000 in funding was shared among 25 community organisations in the areas local to the MacIntyre Wind Farm.

One of the recipients, The Rural Doctors are using the sponsorship funds to purchase additional Medihoods for local hospitals that protect healthcare workers against the spread of COVID19 and other contagious infectious

diseases. Fran Avon is the organisation's CEO.

"Rural Doctors Foundation covers rural and remote communities to help them improve their health. Thanks to the generosity of ACCIONA Energía we were able to provide Medihoods to the hospitals in Warwick and Millmerran. These devices help prevent the transmission of infectious diseases, which is especially important in smaller rural healthcare facilities where the absence of a doctor or nurse due to illness could mean the closure of the hospital service."



MacIntyre Sponsorship Lunch at Ruperts Bar and Grill

Launch of Virtual Reality Learning Hub

On Monday the 29th of August, Community and Stakeholder Liaison, Maria Baker attended the launch of the Endeavour Foundation's virtual reality (VR) education platform at Stanthorpe State High School, sponsored by ACCIONA Energía. The foundation runs the VR program to smooth the transition from school into work or tertiary study for students with intellectual disabilities. For these students, a poor transition to work can significantly limit employment prospects and worsen life outcomes, which is why preparing them for this transition is critical.

Designed to be safe, accessible and repeatable, the VR program assists students in gaining important life skills, such as catching public transport, using ATMs, learning to drive, and

a multitude of other workplace skills. Maria was able to see students learn skills to work as a barista in an engaging and specialised way, learning to make coffee and engage with

customers. This program builds confidence and critical life skills, while reducing anxiety, for a successful transition into the workforce after school.



Helping students learn to use VR



Students at Stanthorpe try out VR



Maria with students and staff at Stanthorpe High School

Premier's Event

On the 14 June 2022, the Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk, held her Community Cabinet Meeting in Stanthorpe that was attended by a Maria Baker, Community Liaison.

The theme of the dinner focused on local issues and encouraged vital collaboration of projects for the continued benefit of the community.

The Premier spoke about the growth of the region with local wineries as the key economic driver in Stanthorpe, and renewables a key driver in Warwick and an essential element for the future growth of the region. Maria had

the pleasure of speaking to the Premier and relevant Ministers about the specific community initiatives for the project. The initiatives have been designed to support, educate, grow and positively support the region through its current growth and needs.

The Premier and ministers are planning a visit to Warwick in the next month for a potential site tour and have offered ACCIONA Energía to present about the community projects to engage leaders in the region who may be able to support these initiatives.



Maria and the Premier

Jumpers and Jazz Festival

Warwick hosted its jam-packed Jumpers and Jazz Festival between the 21st and 31st of July this year, where the streets came alive in the cold winter air, turning the CBD into an outdoor gallery with wool and yarn displays across trees. The festival boasts dozens of community-led events, hosting exhibitions, workshops, food markets, music and more! The festival provides an opportunity to showcase local culture and boost tourism, which is particularly important after the quiet years of the Covid-19 pandemic. This year, our Marketing Graduate Rowena Moran ran an information stall outside our office in Warwick, providing an opportunity to speak to community members about the project.



Rowena at the Jumpers and Jazz Festival



Our stall at the festival

Construction Jobs and Tenders

Jobs

There are many roles that will be available through all stages of the project – from planning, through to construction and operations.

Our Employment Channel is the best place to look for specific vacancies under ACCIONA Energía and ACCIONA Construction Australia as they become available. If you don't see a suitable vacancy to apply at this time, we welcome your application through the 'Expressions of Interest' section. Please access by clicking on the link - <https://www.accionacom.au/work-with-us/job-offers/>

Throughout the project, Powerlink may also have roles available through their subcontractor UGL - <https://www.ugllimited.com/en/work-with-us>

Business Tenders

ACCIONA is committed to supporting local industry participation and is encouraging local suppliers and contractors that are interested in conducting business for the project contact ACCIONA's Procurement Team. Please send your details and qualification information to procurement.macintyre@accionacom.au.

Please include MacIntyre Wind Farm in the email title.

Project Support

Under the Queensland Governments "Buy Local" policies, ACCIONA Energía is committed to ensuring that the MacIntyre Wind Farm Precinct delivers regional prosperity and economic opportunities for the surrounding community.

In seeking ways to future proof the region's economic future, we are in the process of reviewing a number of prospective projects in partnership with your councils and other local entities. ACCIONA Energía is committed to working to encourage the region's future

growth and prosperity through tourism, business, environmental sustainability and educational pathways.

We welcome all feedback from the community regarding initiatives that we could support.



CONTACT US

We welcome your contact for information or feedback about any of our activities. Please call the free-call number **1800 283 550** or email macintyre@accionacom.au. Visit our website for more information about MacIntyre Wind Farm here - www.accionacom.au/macintyre. Visit our Community Hub at <https://community.accionacom.au/macintyre> to ask questions.

Or you can pop into our **Warwick Shop Front** on Palmerin Street - 81 Palmerin St, Warwick, Queensland 4370

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