Department of State Development,
Infrastructure and Planning
PO Box 15009
City East, QLD 4002

DATE
17 August 2026

SUBJECT
Development Application for Cattle Creek Wind Farm Project

REFERENCE
0706881

Dear Sir/Madam,

Environmental Resources Management Australia Pty Ltd (ERM) writes on behalf of RWE Cattle Creek Onshore Wind Pty Ltd (RWE) in relation to the submission of a combined Development Application for Material Change of Use (Wind Farm and ancillary infrastructure including a battery energy storage system (BESS) and Operational Works (Native Vegetation Clearing) to support the development of the Cattle Creek Wind Farm (the Proposed Development). The Development Application has been prepared to demonstrate compliance with State Code 16: Native vegetation clearing, State Code 23: Wind farm development and State Code 27: Battery storage facilities.

1. THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

RWE propose to construct, operate and decommission the Proposed Development which comprises of up to 135 Wind Turbine Generators (WTG) and ancillary infrastructure (supporting infrastructure). Situated in both the Toowoomba Regional Council Local Government Area (LGA) and the Western Downs Regional Council LGA, the Proposed Development is located approximately 60 km southwest of Dalby and 220 km west of Brisbane. The Project Area compromises of 12 separate lots and adjacent road reserves with a total area of approximately 20,404.5 ha.

The Proposed Development has an expected lifespan of up to 35 years at which the Proposed Development will either be decommissioning or repowered (subject to regulatory approvals).

The Proposed Development comprises of the construction, operation and decommissioning of up to 135 WTG and ancillary infrastructure (supporting infrastructure) and includes the following aspects:

- WTG foundations, crane hardstands, crane boom laydown, blade laydown and rotor assembly area;
- BESS with a capacity of up to 450 MW;
- Access tracks, including:
    - New and upgraded tracks within the Project Area, generally comprising of a nominal range of 5.5 m – 10 m wide permanent access, and a maximum 50-95 m wide cleared corridor for Oversize Overmass (OSOM) vehicles.

- Low voltage (LV) and medium voltage (MV) underground cabling, as well as MV and high voltage (HV) overhead transmission lines;
- Internal collector substations;
- A switching station adjacent to the existing 330 kV Powerlink transmission line. This has been accounted for within the Disturbance Footprint, thereby allowing the clearing of the site to be assessed as part of the impacts associated with the Proposed Development (noting, however, that the switching station infrastructure will be constructed, owned and operated by Powerlink);
- Permanent meteorological masts;
- Construction compounds and laydown areas; Washdown areas;
- Operational and maintenance facilities; and
- A construction workers accommodation facility.

Further, there is the potential for the inclusion of the below infrastructure:

- Concrete batching plants;
- Borrow pits; and
- Communications tower.

Disturbance relevant to the Proposed Development will be located within a defined Disturbance Footprint which comprises an area of up to 2,221.2 ha, which will be located within the defined Development Corridor. Micrositing is required to allow the detailed design phase to respond to the unique challenges associated with the Proposed Development and provides flexibility to address them.

2. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

A detailed Development Application has been prepared to support the Proposed Development. The Application primarily consists of a Planning Report which is supported by a broad range of technical assessments and attachments. The Planning Report, combined with the following documentation comprises the Development Application:

- Attachment A – DA Form 1 ;
- Attachment B – Owner's Consent ;
- Attachment C - Relevant Purpose Determination ;
- Attachment D – Planning Report ;
  - Appendix A – Project Layout Plan;
  - Appendix B – Social Impact Assessment;
  - Appendix C – Record of Pre-Lodgement Meetings;
  - Appendix D – Traffic Impact Assessment;
  - Appendix E – Preliminary Route Assessment;
  - Appendix F – Preliminary Construction Environmental Management Plan;
  - Appendix G – Preliminary Post-Construction Rehabilitation Plan;
  - Appendix H – State Development Assessment Provision Code Response;
  - Appendix I – State Planning Policy Mapping;

- Appendix J – Agricultural Land Assessment;
- Appendix K – Matters of State Environmental Significance Impact Assessment Report;
- Appendix L – Stormwater Assessment;
- Appendix M – Natural Hazard Risk Assessment (Bushfire);
- Appendix N – Noise Impact Assessment;
- Appendix O – Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment;
- Appendix P – Erosion Risk Assessment;
- Appendix Q – Risk Assessment Management Report;
- Appendix R – Electromagnetic Interference Assessment;
- Appendix S – Aviation Impact Assessment;
- Appendix T – Community Benefit Agreement; and
- Appendix U – Decommissioning Management Plan.

- Attachment E - Community Benefit Agreement .

In accordance with Schedule 10, Part 21, Division 2, Table 1 of the Planning Regulation 2017 the assessment fee for the wind farm component is 13,715 fee units, and in accordance with Schedule 10, Part 3, Division 3, Table 1 of the Planning Regulation 2017, the assessment fee for clearing native vegetation is 13,715 fee units.

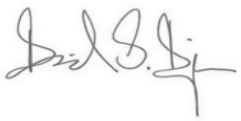
At the time of application lodgement FY (26/27), we are of the understanding these fees are $15,539.10 for each aspect, totaling $31,078.20.

3. CONCLUSION

If you have any queries regarding the application or require any further information during the course of the assessment, please contact Jessica Kwok via email at jessica.kwok@erm.com, acting on behalf of RWE.

Yours sincerely,





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ATTACHMENT A DA FORM 1

ATTACHMENT B OWNER'S CONSENT

ATTACHMENT C RELEVANT PURPOSE DETERMINATION

ATTACHMENT D PLANNING REPORT

ATTACHMENT E COMMUNITY BENEFIT AGREEMENT