

Appendix B

Key Community Consultation and Key Social Impact Assessment for Portland Wind Energy Wind Energy Project

Key Community consultation Issues for the Portland Wind Energy Project's Environment Effect Statement

| Key Issues | Nature of Issue/Concern |
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| Socio-Economic | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic and employment benefit for Portland and the region • Possible impacts on tourism, especially ecotourism • Possible impacts on property values for landholders within and adjacent to wind farm sites |
| Renewable Energy | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wide support for the generation of green power • Justification for selection of wind farm sites • Extent of contribution of wind energy and the proposed wind farm to Australia's efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions |
| Statutory Planning and Land Use | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of appropriate planning policies for coastal wind farms |
| Visual | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential impact on landscape, including views from houses • Values views at each site • Wind generator layouts e.g. number and height of towers, placement, distance from dwellings, speed of blades, flickering • Perceived differences in landscape values at each of sites |
| Noise | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concerns about possibility of total noise • Need for adequate minimum distance between generators and dwellings to avoid noise disturbance • Cumulative effects of noise associated with groups of generators |
| Flora and Fauna | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concerns about potential impacts on birds, especially threatened species such as the Orange Bellied Parrot • Revegetation opportunities, especially on currently-degraded land, for landholders gaining the financial benefit of generators |
| Cultural Heritage | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impacts on both Aboriginal archaeological and European historical sites of significance |
| Community | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broad support for project from Portland residents but concern expressed by Cape Bridgewater and Cape Nelson communities • Distribution of social costs and benefits of the project • Concern about division being created between supporters of the project and opponents • Anxiety created by past and current development proposals and their associated planning processes • Benefit to Aboriginal communities • Future aspirations/expectations |

Key Community consultation Issues for the Portland Wind Energy Project's Environment Effect Statement (continued)

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| Other Issues | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential construction and on-going impacts (e.g. erosion, access roads, runoff, dust, impacts on privacy and personal safety) • Concerns regarding air safety and impact on air service flight paths |

Key Social Impact Assessment criteria for PWEP EES

| Main Criteria | Indicators |
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| Community Structure | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Change in population numbers or profile • Change in tourist numbers or profile • Change in employment numbers, or profile of employed people |
| Community Infrastructure | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education • Health • Housing • Recreation facilities • Community services |
| Community Functioning (Behaviour and perceptions) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feeling of well-being • Lifestyle impacts • Aspirations/ expectations • Values/ valued places • Community cohesion • Dislocation/ disruption • Perceptions of safety |
| Social Equity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution of costs and benefits of the project at both local and broader level |