

Environment and Community

Transfield Services – home grown and growing

Transfield Services is proposing to develop a wind farm called High Road, located in the area of Evelyn, near the intersection of the Kennedy Highway and Tumoulin Road, approximately 13 kilometres north of Ravenshoe. Transfield Services anticipates that there will be 30 to 40 wind turbines installed over an area stretching roughly three kilometres, west of the highway.

Renewable energy in Australia

In response to the increase in greenhouse gas and the presence of global warming, the Australian Government has developed a comprehensive action plans to reduce Australia's greenhouse gas emissions. The Government's initiatives include dramatically expanding the use of renewable energy to a 20 per cent target by the year 2020. The Australian Government has identified that renewable energy sources such as wind and solar will be a key part of the global solution to reduce the greenhouse gas effect.

Transfield Services are proud that they will be contributing to the Australian Government's renewable energy targets for 2020.

Wind Farms and Renewable Energy

Wind farms use clean and renewable energy. The harnessing of wind energy creates only one per cent of the greenhouse gas emissions of alternate sources of energy. Using renewable energy provides many benefits, including:

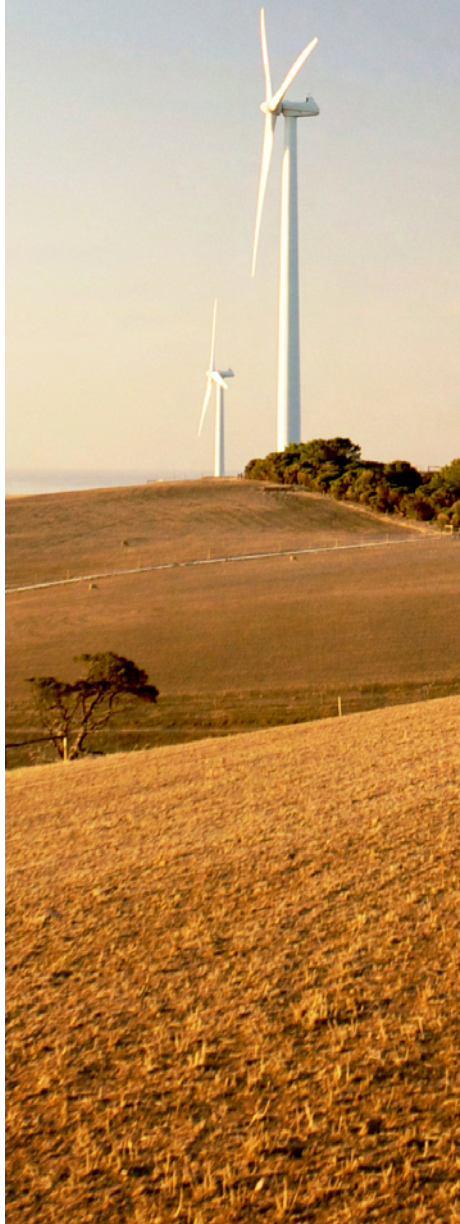
- Making use of secure, local and inexhaustible resources;
- Reducing dependence on non-renewable energy such as coal and gas; and
- Helping to reduce the production of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases.

High Road Wind Farm in the Local Environment

A range of environment studies are being undertaken for the High Road Wind Farm to support the approvals process for the development. Transfield Services has engaged a range of experienced consultants to conduct the various assessments. The studies being undertaken include:

- Environmental sound assessment;
- Flora and fauna assessments;
- Cultural heritage assessment;
- Aeronautical studies; and
- Traffic and Transport studies.

The studies which have been completed indicate that the High Road Wind Farm will have limited impact on the existing environment, including the agricultural operations in the area. The High Road Wind Farm will be developed and operated in compliance with Australian legislative requirements.



Community and Stakeholder Consultation

Transfield Services is committed to running a comprehensive consultation program during the environment study process and the planning and approvals stage of the High Road Wind Farm. The consultation program is aimed at actively involving stakeholders and the community and providing educational opportunities. The program seeks to:

- Gain community input to improve the developer's decision making process;
- Provide information on the development and its progress; and
- Allow for an understanding of the environmental studies and the regulatory approvals process being undertaken for the development.

Transfield Services will be undertaking meetings with local government, local businesses, local community and the media. Transfield Services will keep the local community informed and involved throughout the development's progress.

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