



**VARIATION OF CONDITIONS ATTACHED TO APPROVAL
Crudine Ridge Windfarm (EPBC 2011/6206)**

This decision to vary conditions of approval is made under section 143(1)(a) of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).

Approved action

Person to whom the approval is granted

Crudine Ridge Wind Farm Pty Ltd
ACN: 143 399 160

Approved action

The proposed action is the development and operation of a wind farm 45km south of Mudgee and 45km north of Bathurst, New South Wales [See EPBC Act referral 2011/6206]

Variation

Variation of conditions attached to approval

The variation is:

Delete conditions 1, 2 and 5 attached to the approval and substitute with the conditions specified in table below

Delete definitions for NSW BioBanking Agreement and Management Plans attached to the approval

Add new definitions for Development Consent, Stewardship Agreement and Management Plans as specified in the table below

Date of effect

This variation has effect on the date the instrument is signed

Person authorised to make decision

Name and position

Dr Richard Chadwick
Assistant Secretary
Environment Compliance Branch

Signature

Date of decision

2 / 10 / 2021

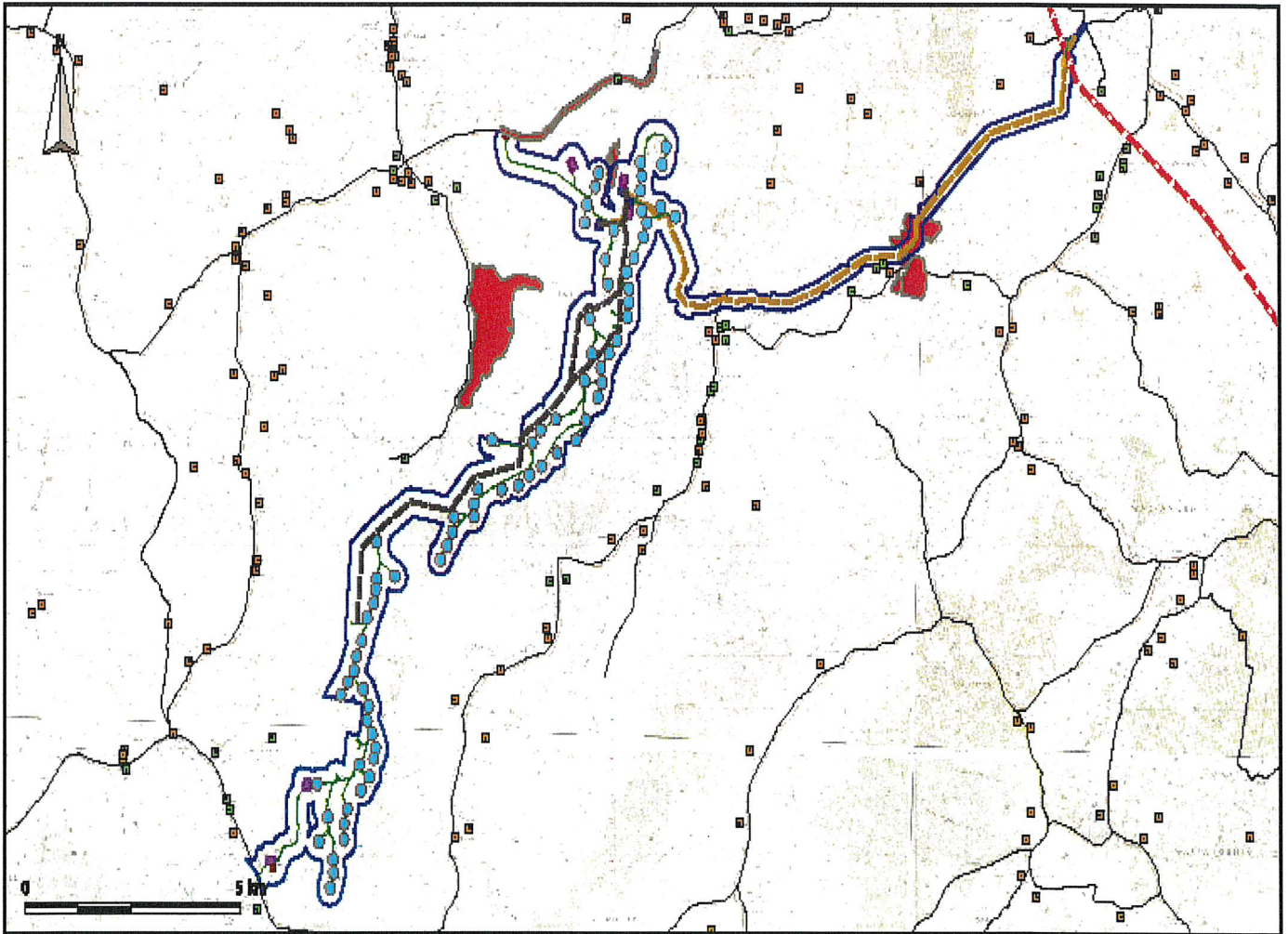
Date of decision	Conditions attached to approval
As varied on the date of this notice	<p>1. To minimise the impacts of the action on protected matters, the person taking the action must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Implement administrative conditions 1, 4, 6; environmental conditions 19 (b)(c) - 23, 41, 42 of the Development Consent where they relate to monitoring, managing, mitigating, avoiding, offsetting, recording, or reporting on, impacts to protected matters. b. Notify the Department in writing of any proposed change to the conditions of the Development Consent for which Condition 1a applies, no later than 2 weeks after formally proposing a change or becoming aware of the NSW Government proposing a change. c. Notify the Department in writing of any change to the Development Consent for which Condition 1a applies within 2 weeks of a change being finalised.
As varied on the date of this notice	<p>2. The person taking the action must secure the offset site by entering into a Stewardship Agreement by 10 June 2022, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Minister. The person taking the action must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Lodge the Stewardship Agreement for registration on the title of the offset site within 6 months of the Stewardship Agreement being entered into. b. Provide written evidence to the Minister that the Stewardship Agreement for the offset site has been entered into within 10 business days of the agreement being entered into.
Original dated 4 April 2017	<p>3. The person taking the action must not clear more than 3.28 hectares of <i>White Box Yellow Box Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived Native Grassland</i> for the development of the proposed action, and as defined in Schedule 1 of this approval.</p>
Original dated 4 April 2017	<p>4. The person taking the action must not clear known locations of Small Purple Pea (<i>Swainsona recta</i>) within the project area (identified within the Environmental Assessment). The person taking the action must not clear any additional populations of Small Purple Pea (not identified within the Environmental Assessment), without the approval of the Minister.</p>
As varied on the date of this notice	<p>5. The person taking the action must only construct, operate, and replace or upgrade, as necessary, up to 37 wind turbines. The person taking the action must ensure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. the wind turbines are micro-sited in accordance with the micro-siting restrictions in Conditions 7 and 8 of Schedule 2 of the Development Consent. b. they notify the Department in writing of any changes to Condition 7 or 8 of Schedule 2 of the Development Consent, as those changes relate to the micro-siting of any wind turbine, and provide the final layout plan to the department, within 2 weeks of the change being made. c. they provide the Department with a map showing the location of each wind turbine and information on how the location of the wind turbines are consistent with the micro-siting requirements of the Development Consent. The map and information must be provided to the Department by 31 December 2021.

Date of decision	Conditions attached to approval
Original Dated 4 April 2017	6. The person taking the action must not construct or place any wind turbines at locations A53, A54, A55, A56, A57, A58, A61, A66, A67, A68, A69, A71, A73, A78, A79, A80, A81, A82, A83, A84 as indicated at schedule 2 of this approval.
Original Dated 4 April 2017	7. The person taking the action must not construct any additional turbines at a future time in the project site area indicated on Schedule 2 of this approval, except for those referred to in condition 5.
Original dated 4 April 2017	8. Within 30 days after the commencement of the action , the person taking the action must advise the Department in writing of the actual date of commencement of the action .
Original dated 4 April 2017	9. The person taking the action must maintain accurate records substantiating all activities associated with or relevant to the conditions of approval, including measures taken to implement the management plans , reports, strategies, agreements required by this approval, and make them available upon request to the Department . Such records may be subject to audit by the Department or an independent auditor in accordance with section 458 of the EPBC Act, or used to verify compliance with the conditions of approval. Summaries of audits will be posted on the Department's website. The results of audits may also be publicised through the general media.
Original dated 4 April 2017	10. Within three months of every 12 month anniversary of the commencement of the action , the person taking the action must publish a report on their website addressing compliance with each of the conditions of this approval, including implementation of any management plans as specified in the conditions. Documentary evidence providing proof of the date of publication and non-compliance with any of the conditions of this approval must be provided to the Department at the same time as the compliance report is published.
Original dated 4 April 2017	11. Any potential or actual contravention of the conditions of this approval (including contravention of a commitment made in a management plan, program or strategy) must be reported to the Department within 7 days of the approval holder becoming aware of the actual or potential contravention.
Original dated 4 April 2017	12. Upon the direction of the Minister , the person taking the action must ensure that an independent audit of compliance with the conditions of approval is conducted and a report submitted to the Minister . The independent auditor must be approved by the Minister prior to the commencement of the audit. Audit criteria must be agreed to by the Minister and the audit report must address the criteria to the satisfaction of the Minister .
Original dated 4 April 2017	13. If, at any time after 5 years from the date of this approval, the person taking the action has not substantially commenced the action , then the person taking the action must not substantially commence the action without the written agreement of the Minister .

Date of decision	Definitions attached to approval
As varied on the date of this notice	<p>Department: The Australian Government Department or any other agency administering the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) from time to time.</p> <p>Development Consent: Development Consent SSD-6697 dated 10 May 2016, including Modification 1 (Revised Road Design) Modification 2 (Internal Access Tracks) and</p>

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	<p>Modification 3 Administrative Development Corridor Adjustment) and as updated from time to time.</p> <p>Commencement of the action: The construction of any infrastructure associated with the proposed action, including but not limited to vegetation clearance, the construction of wind turbines, ancillary infrastructure and road upgrades (excludes fences and signage, geotechnical drilling and surveying).</p> <p>Environmental Assessment: The environmental assessment for the Crudine Ridge Wind Farm, prepared by Wind Prospect CWP Pty Ltd (CWP) and dated December 2012, as modified by: Crudine Ridge Response to Submissions and Preferred Project Report, prepared by CWP and dated November 2013; and the supplementary visual wireframe analysis and wind turbine layout plans prepared by CWP and dated 12 December 2014.</p> <p>Management Plans: means the Biodiversity Management Plan and Bird and Bat Adaptive Management Plan.</p> <p>Minister: The Minister administering the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) and includes a delegate of the Minister.</p> <p>Offset Site: As defined in environmental condition 20 in Development Consent SSD-6697 dated 10 May 2016.</p> <p>The person taking the action: The person to whom this approval is granted.</p> <p>Protected matters: Matters protected under the controlling provisions (under Part 3 of the EPBC Act) for which this approval applies being: White Box Yellow Box Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived Native Grassland, Regent Honeyeater (<i>Anthochaera phrygia</i>), Small Purple Pea (<i>Swainsona recta</i>), and the Swift Parrot (<i>Lathamus discolor</i>).</p> <p>Stewardship Agreement: Biodiversity Stewardship Agreement means a 'biodiversity stewardship agreement' within the meaning of the <i>Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016</i> (NSW).</p> <p>Wind turbine(s): Turbine(s) used for the generation of electricity by wind, including the tower, blades and associated components.</p>

Schedule 1



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Layout Option A - up to 77 Turbines	Switching Station Options
Active Landowner	Rack Crushing & Batching Plant Options
Not Active Landowner	Site Compound Options
External Overhead Transmission Line (with Options)	Collector Substation Options
Internal Overhead Transmission Line	EPSC Listed Communities
132 kV Transmission Line	Layout Option A - Internal Roads

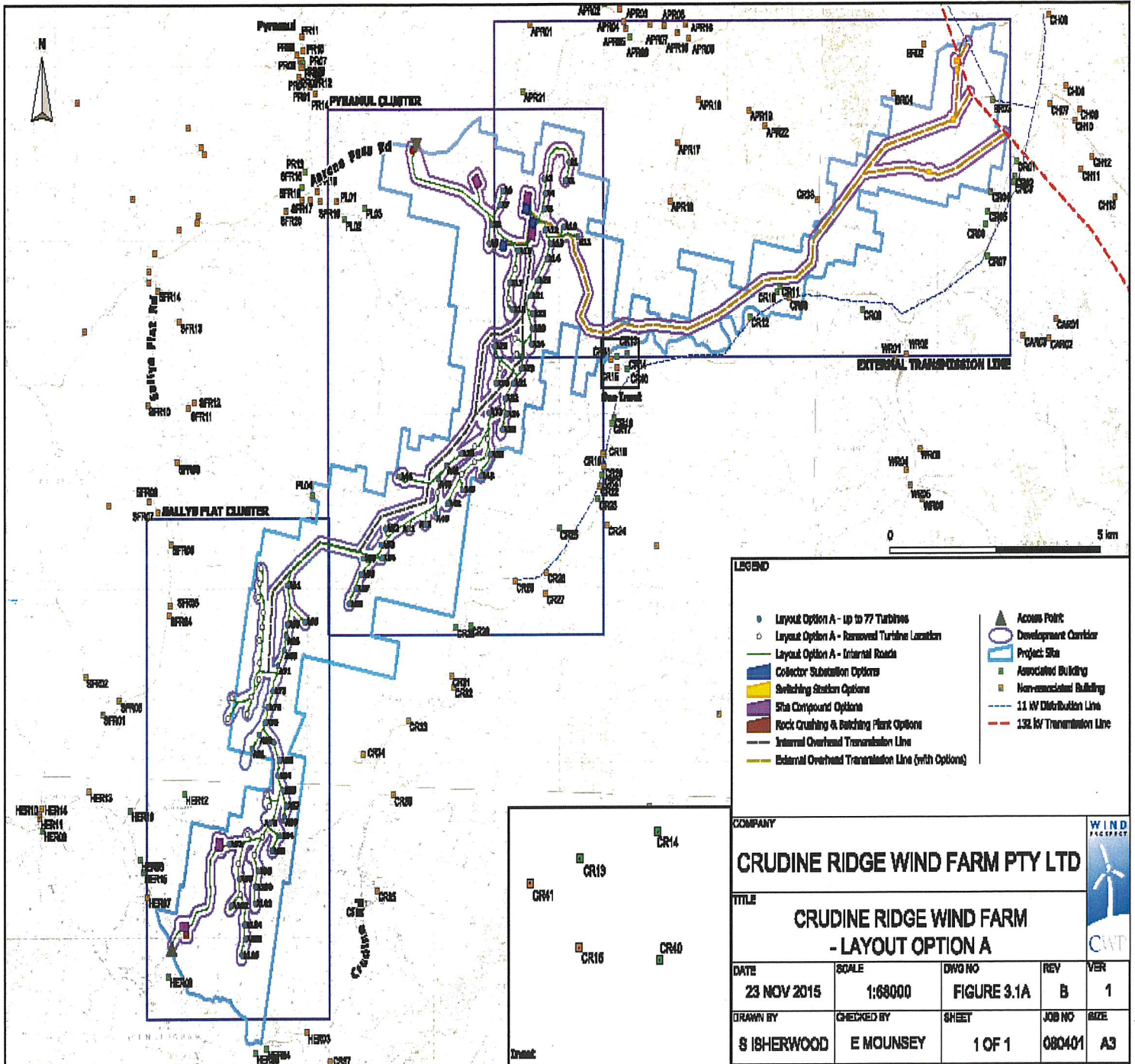
COMPANY
CRUDINE RIDGE WIND FARM PTY LTD

TITLE
COMMONWEALTH ENDANGERED ECOLOGICAL COMMUNITIES

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FIGURE 3.1A: CRUDINE RIDGE WIND FARM - LAYOUT OPTION A

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- Layout Option A - up to 77 Turbines
- Layout Option A - Removed Turbine Location
- Layout Option A - Internal Roads
- Collector Substation Options
- Switching Station Options
- Site Compound Options
- Rock Crushing & Batching Plant Options
- Internal Overhead Transmission Line
- External Overhead Transmission Line (with Options)
- ▲ Access Point
- Development Corridor
- Project Site
- Associated Building
- Non-associated Building
- 11 kV Distribution Line
- 132 kV Transmission Line

COMPANY		CRUDINE RIDGE WIND FARM PTY LTD		
TITLE		CRUDINE RIDGE WIND FARM - LAYOUT OPTION A		
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