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Project update

Squadron Energy and its main contractors, Nacap and Maas, have started pre-construction activities for Uungula Wind Farm, which is the largest wind farm being built in New South Wales.

This involves an upgrade to Twelve Mile Road, including safety upgrades to the Goolma Road intersection, a wider and improved bitumen road surface and upgraded drainage, which will facilitate deliveries to the wind farm and provide an upgraded road for all road users.

Nacap has established a site office near the Goolma and Twelve Mile Road intersection, with survey and clearing activities taking place on Twelve Mile Road. Squadron Energy will be providing regular

construction updates to the local community via our website:

www.uungulawindfarm.com.au



Scan the QR code to follow our Facebook page, which will also provide construction updates.

Sponsorships and community events

Through our community sponsorship program, Uungula Wind Farm is proud to support the following local organisations:

- Wellington Cowboys Junior and Senior Clubs
- More Cultural Rehabs, Less Jails - to support the purchase of yard and gardening equipment for local community clean ups and assisting the elderly
- 148th Wellington Show
- Agricultural learning, outdoor area shade and outdoor seating at St Mary's Catholic School
- Garden kitchen, Breakfast Club as well as garden lessons at Wellington Primary School
- Wellington Warriors 2024 season
- Wellington Wedgetails Koori Knockout Competition



Dubbo Family Day Care display



Wellington Wedgetails Nine's Rugby League Knockout squad



St George Illawarra Dragons Coaching Clinic with the Wellington Cowboys. Squadron Energy is a major partner of the Dragons

Wellington Energy Forum

In late March, Wellington High School played host to the Renewable Energy Forum, an initiative organised by the NSW Department of Education.

Aimed at Year 10 students from secondary schools within the Central-West Orana Renewable Energy Zone (REZ), the forum showcased the variety of exciting career pathways on offer within the renewable energy sector.



The forum, held with the support of Squadron Energy, facilitated direct connections between employers and students, with a focus on generating awareness of the projects underway in the Central-West Orana REZ.

Community Consultative Committee

The Uungula Wind Farm Community Consultative Committee (CCC) met on 23 May in Wellington to discuss the project and provide feedback.

The CCC meets quarterly and comprises members of the local community, the Dubbo Regional Council and local First Nations stakeholders. It has an independent chairperson appointed by the NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure.

At each meeting the project team provides an update on environmental performance, First Nations and community engagement, economic development, employment opportunities and items of interest to the committee.

The May meeting included a special presentation from DomaCom on the Central West Orana Community Benefit Fund. All CCC meeting minutes can be found on our website: www.uungulawindfarm.com.au

Central West Orana Community Investment Fund

Our Projects within Central-West Orana Renewable Energy Zone (REZ)



Squadron Energy has partnered with DomaCom Limited, pioneer in fractional investing, to launch a new investment program for community members in the Central West Orana region who are interested in supporting the development of renewable energy projects in the region.

The Squadron Energy Central West Orana Community Investment Fund is being launched through DomaCom's online retail investor platform, and residents will have the opportunity to invest with as little as \$1,000.

There will also be an additional 'matched' investment initiative offered by Squadron Energy of up to \$2,000 to those residents living within 8km of either Uungula Wind Farm or Spicers Creek Wind Farm projects.

To learn more, please visit domacom.com.au



Vegetation clearing on Twelve Mile Road

Vegetation clearing and pruning has started along Twelve Mile Road in preparation for the widening and re-sheeting of the road, making it safer for all vehicles.

All trees are inspected prior to pruning or removal. Squadron Energy has a qualified arborist to provide inspections and advice on tree removal and/or pruning. This includes checking tree hollows for any fauna, which are then relocated. Trees are left for 24 hours after cutting to allow any missed fauna to relocate.

Heritage areas are marked to protect vulnerable tree species and vegetation. Trees are individually tagged for either removal or protection, ensuring protected trees are not cut.

The Uungula Wind Farm team takes a precautionary approach, trimming and removing fewer trees than noted in the Environmental Impact Assessment.

The project team will re-seed the area with native vegetation after the roadworks are completed. Vegetation clearing is done in line with all relevant Commonwealth, State and Local government approvals.

Team updates



Justin Toomey-White

Squadron Energy has appointed Wellington local, Justin Toomey-White as the First Nations Facilitator for the company's Central West Renewable Energy Zone projects. Justin is a Wiradjuri man, who grew up in Wellington and is passionate about meaningful engagement with local community.

Since starting, Justin has participated in a range of local events, such as the First Nation's Forum at TAFE to support upskilling opportunities for First Nations community members.

Melissa Bird

Community Relations Advisor Melissa Bird is the latest recruit to the Ungula team. Melissa is based at our Dubbo and Wellington offices.

Melissa has worked with Squadron Energy for two and a half years and has relocated to the area for the role. She is looking forward to meeting Wellington locals and ensuring that Squadron Energy understands and supports the local community, especially our host and neighbouring landowners.

Justin and Melissa will work closely with Project Manager, Malcolm McPhan.



Wellington office

Squadron Energy has leased 16-18 Maughan St, Wellington and will be moving in during June 2024. The office will be open to the public to find out more about Ungula Wind Farm.

Equipment deliveries explained

Squadron Energy understands that there have been concerns publicly expressed regarding the transport of Over Size Over Mass (OSOM) equipment on Twelve Mile Road at the same time as stock trucks are leaving local farms. There will be no OSOM deliveries until late 2025 at the earliest.

We recently held a transport workshop in Wellington, attended by local Twelve Mile Road residents and farmers. The following approach was developed for OSOM deliveries:

- When OSOM vehicles arrive, they will be accompanied by several pilot vehicles as far as 5km ahead
- Pilot vehicles will assess traffic ahead on Twelve Mile Road and will request OSOM to stand-by at the Goolma and Twelve Mile Road intersection if a stock truck is coming
- If an oncoming truck is not seen in advance, Police and/or escort vehicles will assist the truck and OSOM vehicle to pass each other
- All neighbours will have a phone number to call in the event of any changes they wish to communicate
- We will have neighbours' phone numbers and radio channels for fast communication if needed.

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