# EPURON | Western Plains Wind Farm

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## What is happening with the wind farm?

The Western Plains Wind Farm is a development of up to 13 wind turbines on a private cattle grazing property at the very tip of the Stanley peninsula in the northwest of Tasmania. It is at an advanced stage of development.

Finalising arrangements for connection of the wind farm to the Port Latta electricity substation is the current focus of our activities. We are working to define the best design for the Black River crossing, working within the railway easement, crossing reserves and main roads as well as identifying how best to ensure the construction of the underground powerline accommodate existing private land uses.

Resolving the connection arrangement will allow the Development Application and Development Proposal and Environmental Management Plan – DPEMP to be lodged with Circular Head Council and the EPA for assessment.

The Epuron team thanks all of those who have willingly engaged with us in discussion to enable this connection, it is much appreciated.

### **Community Benefits from the Wind Farm**

Epuron recognises that a wind farm is a change to the landscape in which the local community lives. A wind farm also comes with benefits including a boost to the local economy through construction jobs and flow through spending on food, accommodation, fuel and other local services.

Epuron works with local communities to find out what they need and to enable the community members and representatives to assist local groups and enterprises.

#### **Proposed Community Wind Farm Fund**

- Epuron proposes to put \$2,000 per turbine built per annum into a Stanley community wind farm fund.
- If 13 turbines are built this would result in a fund for local community distribution of \$26,000 each year.
- Epuron looks forward to a discussion with the community about how best to structure this fund – how the committee would be run, how to appoint the members and the kinds of projects it should fund so a charter can be developed.



#### Please tell us what you think about:

- The Community Fund
- How to structure it
- Any feedback you have about the wind farm
- Anything you think we should know.

Send us your contact details – email or address and we'll add you to our newsletter database so we can keep you updated as we finalise the wind farm.

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