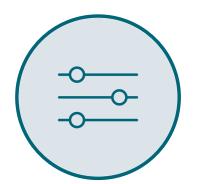
Rotherwood Road/Coolah Road (PM01)

Comparison Study - Approved Project (185 WTGs) vs Mod-3 Project (173 WTGs)

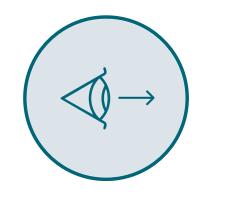


Methodology



Magnitude

The visual magnitude is calculated by assessing how much of a 180° field of view the project occupies. The view is divided into a grid of $1^{\circ} \times 10^{\circ}$ cells, and the number of cells occupied by the project is counted (see photomontage with cell-count overlay). The total number of occupied cells determines the magnitude rating; for example, occupying 37 or more cells results in a very high magnitude rating.



Sensitivity

Sensitivity is determined by the scenic quality of a view-point and how visually sensitive the location is. Private viewpoints generally have moderate to high sensitivity, while most public viewpoints are less sensitive unless they are key locations such as lookouts or town centres. Scenic quality is assessed using criteria such as landforms, vegetation, water features, and cultural or human elements, following the DPHI guidelines.



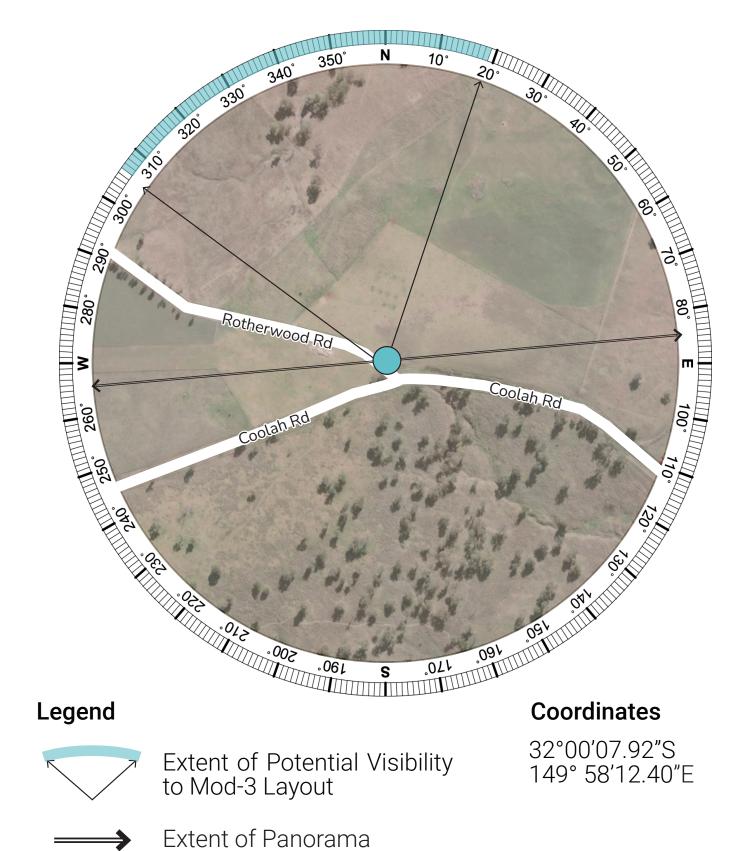
Visual Impact Rating

The overall visual impact rating is determined by combining the magnitude and sensitivity ratings using the DPHI Visual Impact Matrix.

Visual Impact Matrix

Sensitivity					
		High	Moderate	Low	Very Low
	Very High 37+ Cells	High	High	Moderate	Moderate
	High 26-36 Cells	High	Moderate	Moderate	Low
Magnitude	Moderate 15-25 Cells	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low
	Low 8-14 Cells	Moderate	Low	Low	Very Low
	Very Low 1-7 Cells	Low	Low	Very Low	Very Low

Location



Comparison Assessment

Approved Layout	Mod-3 Layout
Sensitivity	Rating
Low	Low

The viewpoint sensitivity is rated **Low** due to the combination of **Low Sensitivity** and **Low Scenic Quality**. **No change** is recorded between the approved layout and Mod-3 layout as the viewpoint has not changed.

Magnitude Rating		
Moderate (15 Cells)	Moderate (15 Cells)	

The Mod-3 layout results in the same magnitude as the approved layout, with 15 cells occupied. Both layouts fall within the **Moderate** magnitude rating range.

*Note: Some cells with visible turbines are not counted as the turbines are located outside of

Visual Impact Rating	Lov		Low
		Visual Impact Rating	

The Mod-3 layout has the same number of cell count as the approved layout and both layouts result in a **Low** Visual Impact rating.

Photomontage Comparison

Approved Layout - No cell count overlay

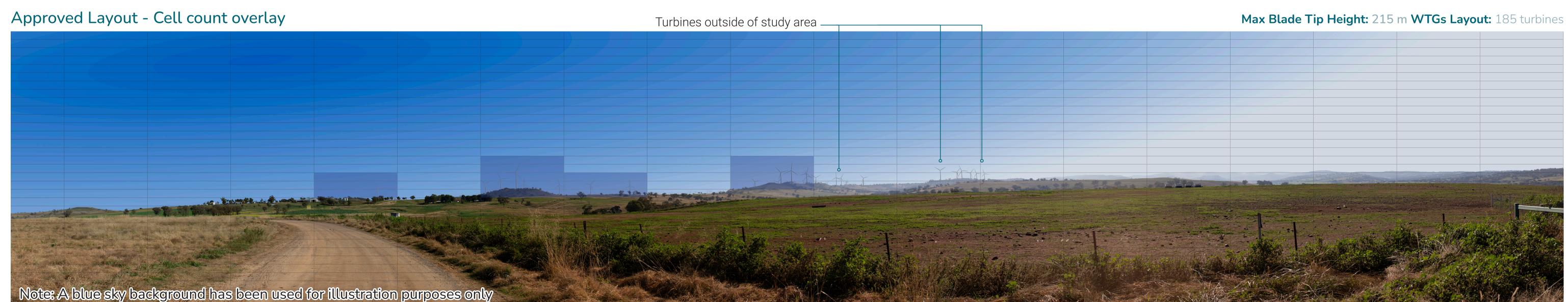
Max Blade Tip Height: 215 m WTGs Layout: 185 turbines



Mod 3 Layout - No cell count overlay

Max Blade Tip Height: 215 m WTGs Layout: 173 turbines





Mod 3 Layout - Cell count overlay

Turbines outside of study area

Max Blade Tip Height: 215 m WTGs Layout: 173 turbines

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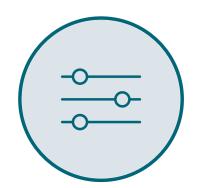
Max Blade Tip Height: 175 m WTGs Layout: 173 turbines

Turee Vale Road (PM05)

Comparison Study - Approved Project (185 WTGs) vs Mod-3 Project (173 WTGs)

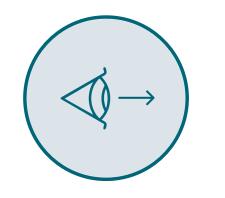


Methodology



Magnitude

The visual magnitude is calculated by assessing how much of a 180° field of view the project occupies. The view is divided into a grid of $1^{\circ} \times 10^{\circ}$ cells, and the number of cells occupied by the project is counted (see photomontage with cell-count overlay). The total number of occupied cells determines the magnitude rating; for example, occupying 37 or more cells results in a very high magnitude rating.



Sensitivity is do

Sensitivity is determined by the scenic quality of a view-point and how visually sensitive the location is. Private viewpoints generally have moderate to high sensitivity, while most public viewpoints are less sensitive unless they are key locations such as lookouts or town centres. Scenic quality is assessed using criteria such as landforms, vegetation, water features, and cultural or human elements, following the DPHI guidelines.



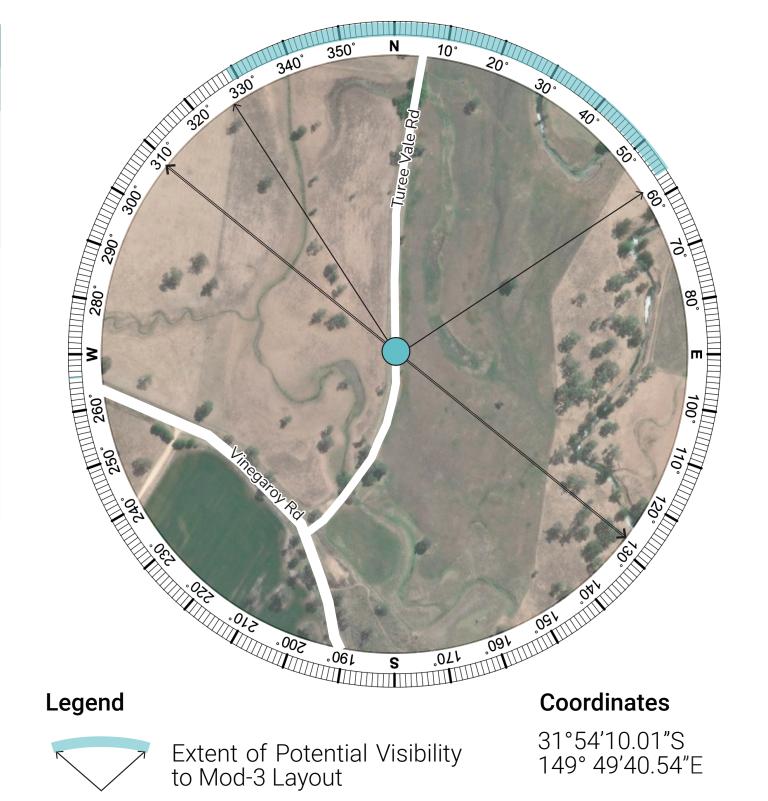
Visual Impact Rating

The overall visual impact rating is determined by combining the magnitude and sensitivity ratings using the DPHI Visual Impact Matrix.

Visual Impact Matrix

	Sensitivity					
		High	Moderate	Low	Very Low	
	Very High 37+ Cells	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	
	High 26-36 Cells	High	Moderate	Moderate	Low	
Magnitude	Moderate 15-25 Cells	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low	
	Low 8-14 Cells	Moderate	Low	Low	Very Low	
	Very Low 1-7 Cells	Low	Low	Very Low	Very Low	

Location



→ Extent of Panorama

Comparison Assessment

Approved Layout	Mod-3 Layout
Sensitivity	Rating
Low	Low

The viewpoint sensitivity is rated **Low** due to the combination of **Low Sensitivity** and **Low Scenic Quality**. **No change** is recorded between the approved layout and Mod-3 layout as the viewpoint has not changed.

Magnitu	de Rating
Low (9 Cells)	Very Low (7 Cells)

The Mod-3 layout results in a lower magnitude than the approved layout, with two fewer cells occupied. This reduction drops the magnitude rating of Mod-3 layout to **Very Low** magnitude rating range

*Note: Some cells with visible turbines are not counted as the turbines are located outside of the study area

	Visual Impact Rating	
Low	Very Low	

The Mod-3 layout has a reduced cell count and it falls in the **Very Low** Visual Impact rating.

Photomontage Comparison

Approved Layout - No cell count overlay

Max Blade Tip Height: 215 m WTGs Layout: 185 turbines



Mod 3 Layout - No cell count overlay

Max Blade Tip Height: 215 m WTGs Layout: 173 turbines





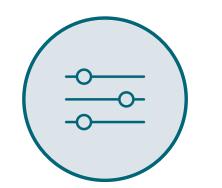


Coolah Valley Lookout (PM06)

Comparison Study - Approved Project (185 WTGs) vs Mod-3 Project (173 WTGs)

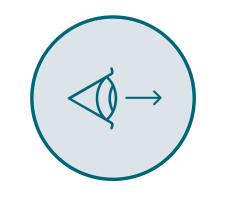


Methodology



Magnitude

The visual magnitude is calculated by assessing how much of a 180° field of view the project occupies. The view is divided into a grid of $1^{\circ} \times 10^{\circ}$ cells, and the number of cells occupied by the project is counted (see photomontage with cell-count overlay). The total number of occupied cells determines the magnitude rating; for example, occupying 37 or more cells results in a very high magnitude rating.



Sensitivity

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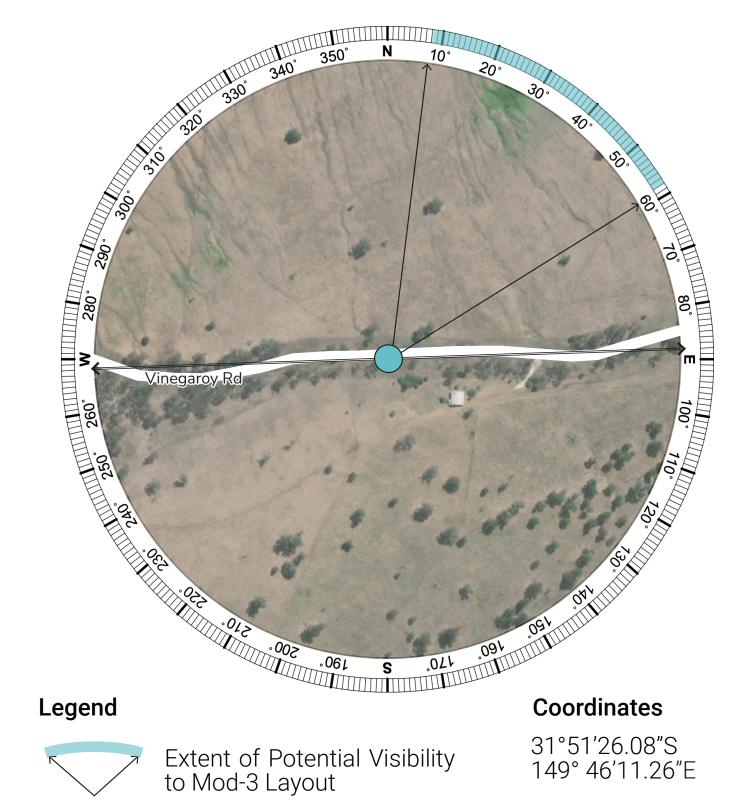
Visual Impact Rating

The overall visual impact rating is determined by combining the magnitude and sensitivity ratings using the DPHI Visual Impact Matrix.

Visual Impact Matrix

	Sensitivity					
		High	Moderate	Low	Very Low	
	Very High 37+ Cells	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	
	High 26-36 Cells	High	Moderate	Moderate	Low	
Magnitude	Moderate 15-25 Cells	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low	
	Low 8-14 Cells	Moderate	Low	Low	Very Low	
	Very Low 1-7 Cells	Low	Low	Very Low	Very Low	

Location



Extent of Panorama

Comparison Assessment

Approved Layout	Mod-3 Layout
Sensitivity	Rating
Low	Low

The viewpoint sensitivity is rated **Low** due to the combination of **Low Sensitivity** and **Low Scenic Quality**. **No change** is recorded between the approved layout and Mod-3 layout as the viewpoint has not changed.

Magnitud	de Rating
Low (14 Cells)	Low (14 Cells)

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*Note: Some cells with visible turbines are not counted as the turbines are located outside of the study area

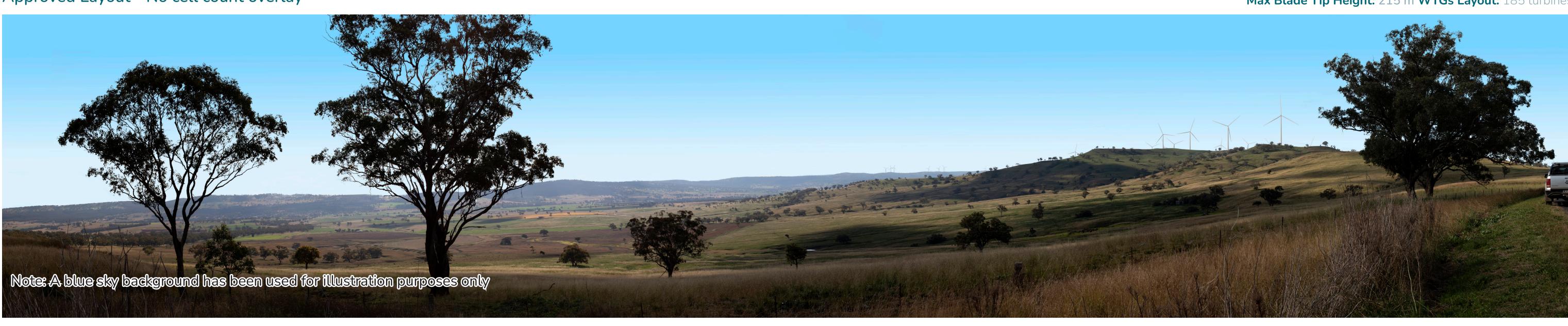
	Visual Impact Rating		
Low		Low	

The Mod-3 layout has the same number of cell count as the approved layout and both layouts result in a **Low** Visual Impact rating.

Photomontage Comparison

Approved Layout - No cell count overlay

Max Blade Tip Height: 215 m WTGs Layout: 185 turbines



Mod 3 Layout - No cell count overlay

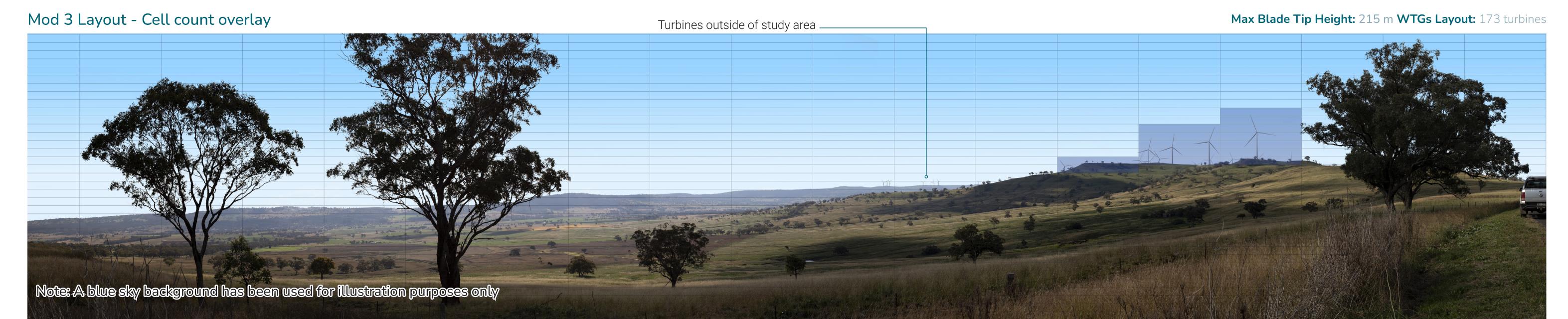
Max Blade Tip Height: 215 m WTGs Layout: 173 turbines



Approved Layout - Cell count overlay

Max Blade Tip Height: 215 m WTGs Layout: 185 turbines



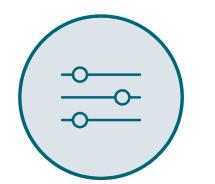


Vinegaroy Road/Cunningham Street (PM07)

Comparison Study - Approved Project (185 WTGs) vs Mod-3 Project (173 WTGs)

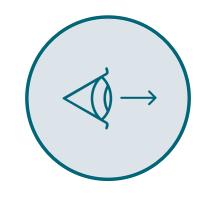


Methodology



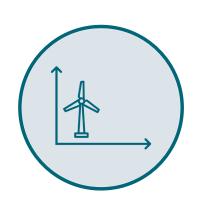
Magnitude

The visual magnitude is calculated by assessing how much of a 180° field of view the project occupies. The view is divided into a grid of $1^{\circ} \times 10^{\circ}$ cells, and the number of cells occupied by the project is counted (see photomontage with cell-count overlay). The total number of occupied cells determines the magnitude rating; for example, occupying 37 or more cells results in a very high magnitude rating.



Sensitivity

Sensitivity is determined by the scenic quality of a view-point and how visually sensitive the location is. Private viewpoints generally have moderate to high sensitivity, while most public viewpoints are less sensitive unless they are key locations such as lookouts or town centres. Scenic quality is assessed using criteria such as landforms, vegetation, water features, and cultural or human elements, following the DPHI guidelines.



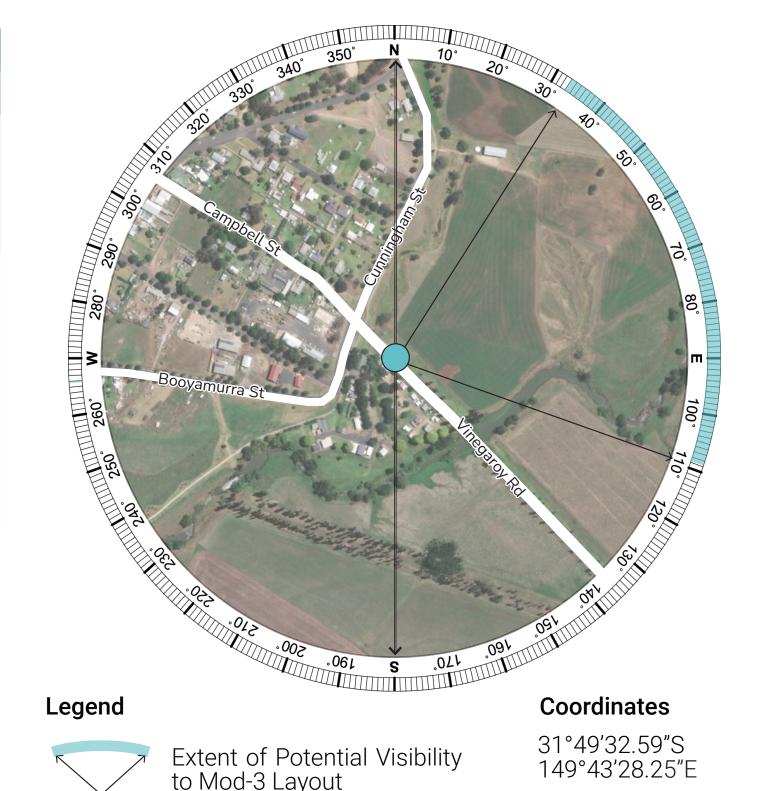
Visual Impact Rating

The overall visual impact rating is determined by combining the magnitude and sensitivity ratings using the DPHI Visual Impact Matrix.

Visual Impact Matrix

Sensitivity						
		High	Moderate	Low	Very Low	
	Very High 37+ Cells	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	
Magnitude	High 26-36 Cells	High	Moderate	Moderate	Low	
	Moderate 15-25 Cells	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low	
	Low 8-14 Cells	Moderate	Low	Low	Very Low	
	Very Low 1-7 Cells	Low	Low	Very Low	Very Low	

Location



Extent of Panorama

Comparison Assessment

Approved Layout	Mod-3 Layout	
Sensitivity Rating		
Low	Low	

The viewpoint sensitivity is rated **Low** due to the combination of **Low Sensitivity** and **Low Scenic Quality**. **No change** is recorded between the approved layout and Mod-3 layout as the viewpoint has not changed.

Magnitud	de Rating
Low (11 Cells)	Low (10 Cells)

The Mod-3 layout results in a lower magnitude than the approved layout, with one fewer cell occupied. However, despite this reduction, both layouts fall within the **Low** magnitude rating range.

*Note: Some cells with visible turbines are not counted as the turbines are located outside of the study area

V		Low	
	Visual Impact Rating		

The Mod-3 layout has a reduced cell count; however, both layouts result in a **Low** Visual Impact rating.

Photomontage Comparison

Approved Layout - No cell count overlay

Max Blade Tip Height: 215 m WTGs Layout: 185 turbines



Mod 3 Layout - No cell count overlay

Max Blade Tip Height: 215 m WTGs Layout: 173 turbines



N 10° 20° 30° 40° 50° 60° 70° 80° E 100° 110° 120° 130° 140° 150° 160° 170° S

Approved Layout - Cell count overlay

Note: A blue sky background has been used for illustration purposes only

Mod 3 Layout - Cell count overlay

Max Blade Tip Height: 215 m WTGs Layout: 173 turbines

Max Blade Tip Height: 215 m WTGs Layout: 185 turbines

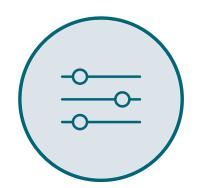


State Forest Road (PM09)

Comparison Study - Approved Project (185 WTGs) vs Mod-3 Project (173 WTGs)

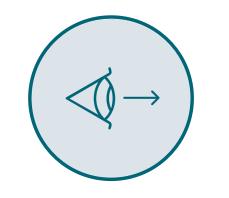


Methodology



Magnitude

The visual magnitude is calculated by assessing how much of a 180° field of view the project occupies. The view is divided into a grid of 1° × 10° cells, and the number of cells occupied by the project is counted (see photomontage with cell-count overlay). The total number of occupied cells determines the magnitude rating; for example, occupying 37 or more cells results in a very high magnitude rating.



Sensitivity

Sensitivity is determined by the scenic quality of a viewpoint and how visually sensitive the location is. Private viewpoints generally have moderate to high sensitivity, while most public viewpoints are less sensitive unless they are key locations such as lookouts or town centres. Scenic quality is assessed using criteria such as landforms, vegetation, water features, and cultural or human elements, following the DPHI guidelines.



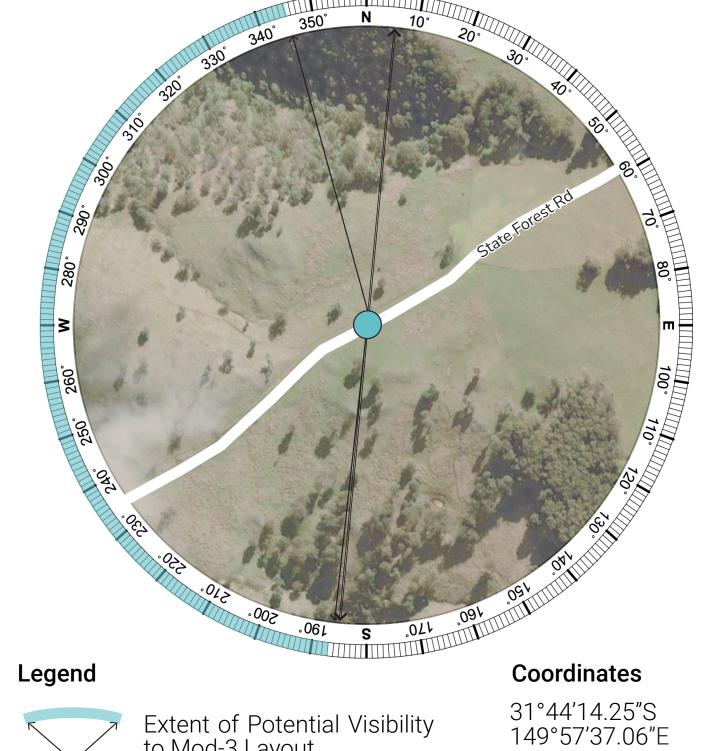
Visual Impact Rating

The overall visual impact rating is determined by combining the magnitude and sensitivity ratings using the DPHI Visual Impact Matrix.

Visual Impact Matrix

Sensitivity						
		High	Moderate	Low	Very Low	
	Very High 37+ Cells	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	
Magnitude	High 26-36 Cells	High	Moderate	Moderate	Low	
	Moderate 15-25 Cells	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low	
	Low 8-14 Cells	Moderate	Low	Low	Very Low	
	Very Low 1-7 Cells	Low	Low	Very Low	Very Low	

Location



Extent of Panorama

Comparison Assessment

Very Low

Approved Layout	Mod-3 Layout
Sensitivity	Rating

Very Low

The viewpoint sensitivity is rated **Very Low** due to the combination of Very Low Sensitivity and Low Scenic Quality. No change is recorded between the approved layout and Mod-3 layout as the viewpoint has not changed.

Magnitude Rating			
Very High (103 Cells)	Very High (49 Cells)		

The Mod-3 layout results in a lower magnitude than the approved layout, with 54 fewer cells occupied. However, despite this reduction, both layouts fall within the **Very High** magnitude rating

*Note: Some cells with visible turbines are not counted as the turbines are located outside of

Visual Impact Rating		
Moderate	Moderate	

The Mod-3 layout has a reduced cell count; however, both layouts result in a **Moderate** Visual Impact rating.

Photomontage Comparison

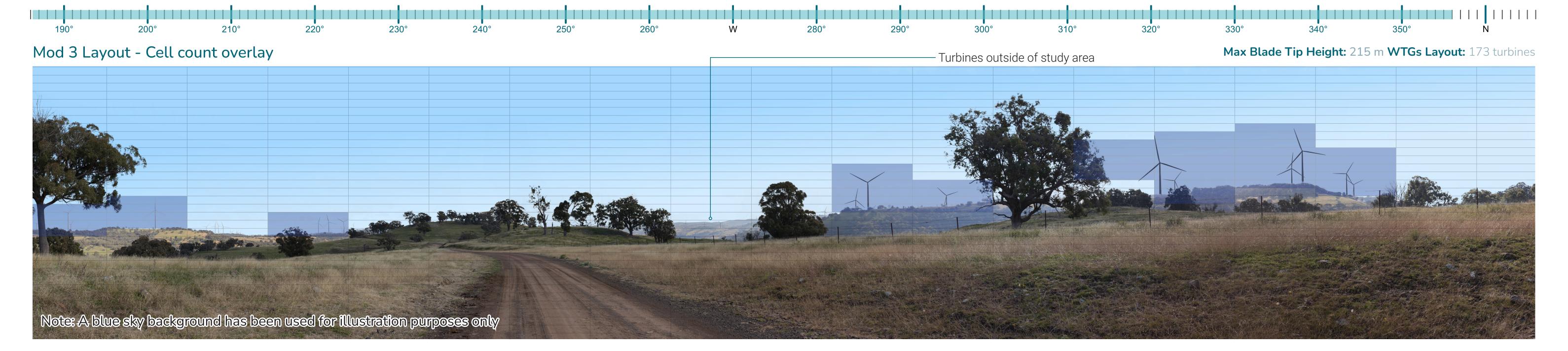
Approved Layout - No cell count overlay

Max Blade Tip Height: 215 m WTGs Layout: 185 turbines







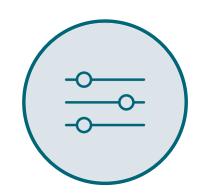


Pinnacle Lookout (PM12)

Comparison Study - Approved Project (185 WTGs) vs Mod-3 Project (173 WTGs)

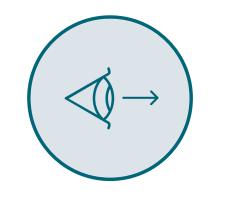


Methodology



Magnitude

The visual magnitude is calculated by assessing how much of a 180° field of view the project occupies. The view is divided into a grid of $1^{\circ} \times 10^{\circ}$ cells, and the number of cells occupied by the project is counted (see photomontage with cell-count overlay). The total number of occupied cells determines the magnitude rating; for example, occupying 37 or more cells results in a very high magnitude rating.



Sensitivity

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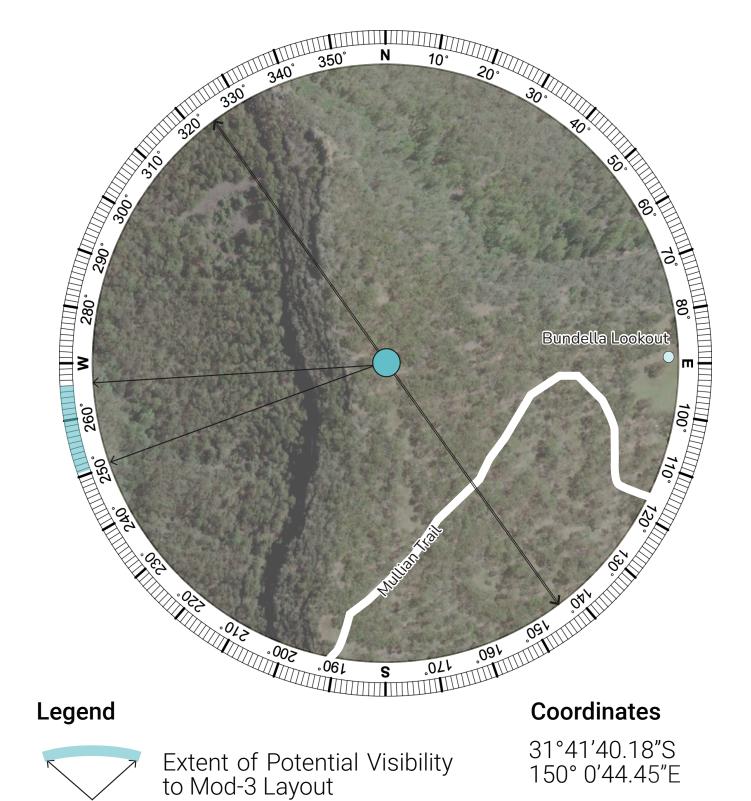
Visual Impact Rating

The overall visual impact rating is determined by combining the magnitude and sensitivity ratings using the DPHI Visual Impact Matrix.

Visual Impact Matrix

Sensitivity						
		High	Moderate	Low	Very Low	
	Very High 37+ Cells	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	
Magnitude	High 26-36 Cells	High	Moderate	Moderate	Low	
	Moderate 15-25 Cells	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low	
	Low 8-14 Cells	Moderate	Low	Low	Very Low	
	Very Low 1-7 Cells	Low	Low	Very Low	Very Low	

Location



Extent of Panorama

Comparison Assessment

Approved Layout	Mod-3 Layout		
Sensitivity Rating			
High	High		

The viewpoint sensitivity is rated **High** due to the combination of **Moderate Sensitivity** and **High Scenic Quality**. **No change** is recorded between the approved layout and Mod-3 layout as the viewpoint has not changed.

Magnitude Rating		
Very Low (0 Cells)	Very Low (0 Cells)	

Both layouts have 0 cell count in magnitude as the turbines are all located outside of study area. Both layouts fall within the **Very Low** magnitude rating range.

*Note: Some cells with visible turbines are not counted as the turbines are located outside of the study area

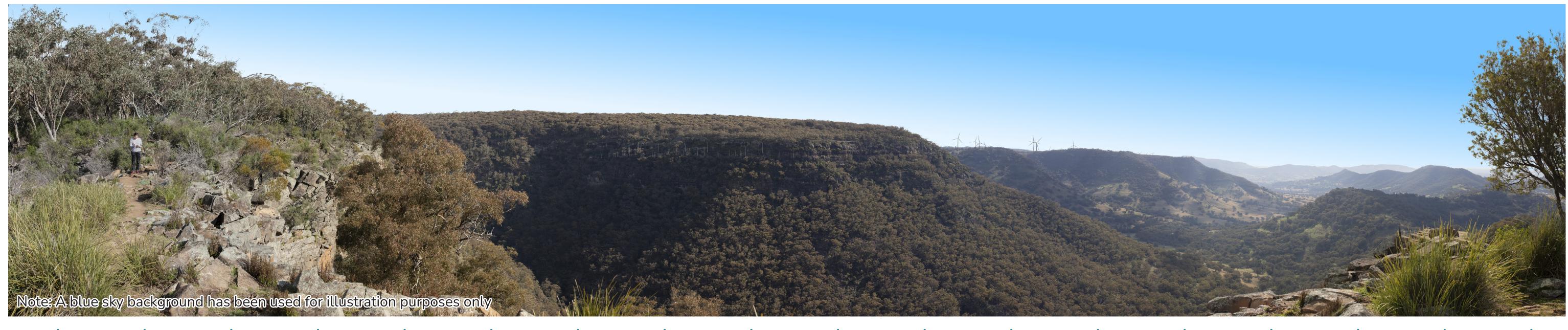
	Visual Impact Rating	
Low		Low

Both layouts result in a **Low** Visual Impact rating.

Photomontage Comparison

Approved Layout - No cell count overlay

Max Blade Tip Height: 215 m WTGs Layout: 185 turbines



 $150^{\circ} \qquad 160^{\circ} \qquad 170^{\circ} \qquad S \qquad 190^{\circ} \qquad 200^{\circ} \qquad 210^{\circ} \qquad 220^{\circ} \qquad 230^{\circ} \qquad 240^{\circ} \qquad 250^{\circ} \qquad W \qquad 280^{\circ} \qquad 290^{\circ} \qquad 300^{\circ} \qquad 310^{\circ} \qquad 320^{\circ}$

Mod 3 Layout - No cell count overlay

Max Blade Tip Height: 215 m WTGs Layout: 173 turbines

