



# **RYE PARK WIND FARM**

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## 1.0 Introduction

Approval 2020/8837 (EPBC Approval) was granted on 1 June 2021 under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Act 1999 (Cth)* (EPBC Act) to Rye Park Renewable Energy Pty Ltd (ACN 601 541 931) (the Approval Holder) authorising the Approval Holder to “construct and operate a wind farm with up to 77 wind turbines, and associated infrastructure at Rye Park, New South Wales”, subject to conditions (the Action). A variation to the EPBC Approval was subsequently approved on 30 June 2022.

The purpose of this document is to demonstrate that there has been compliance with the conditions of the EPBC approval for the Action and to satisfy the relevant annual compliance reporting requirements of the EPBC Approval (Conditions 29 to 29B).

The Approval Holder that is undertaking the Action, which is further described in Section 2.0, is a subsidiary of a portfolio of companies that are trading as Tilt Renewables.

This is the fourth annual compliance report, which in accordance with Condition 29 of the EPBC Approval, seeks to demonstrate how the Project had complied with the conditions of the EPBC Approval for the period between 16 November 2024 and 15 November 2025 (the Reporting Period). The annual compliance report has been prepared with reference to the Annual Compliance Report Guidelines (Commonwealth of Australia 2023), in line with the requirements of Condition 29A of the EPBC Approval. The compliance report will be published on the Approval Holder’s website (<https://tiltrenewables.com/portfolio/rye-park-wind-farm/>) until the expiration of the EPBC Approval.

## 2.0 The Action

The proposed action as described by the EPBC Approval is:

*To construct and operate a wind farm with up to 77 wind turbines, and associated infrastructure at Rye Park, New South Wales [see EPBC Act referral 2020/8837 and variation request letter dated 31 May 2022]*

As identified above, a variation to the EPBC Approval was subsequently approved on 30 June 2022 to allow for a refinement of the construction methodology and areas of disturbance, which was sought following the commencement of construction. A further directed variation to the EPBC Approval was issued on 2 May 2024 following identification of non-compliance with the EPBC Approval conditions by the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (the Department) in a previous Reporting Period. The Action is also subject to relevant State approvals with a Development Consent for the Action (SSD-6693- MOD2) being granted under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 by the NSW Planning Assessment Commission (now known as the Independent Planning Commission) on 22 May 2017, with a modification approved on 15 April 2021. A further modification to the Development Consent was approved by the Department of Planning and Environment on 23 September 2022.

### 2.1 The Project

The Action is located to the east of Rye Park, to the north-west of Yass and south-east of Boorowa, in New South Wales (NSW) (refer to Figure 1). It is located within the Yass Valley, Hilltops and Upper Lachlan Shire Council local government areas.

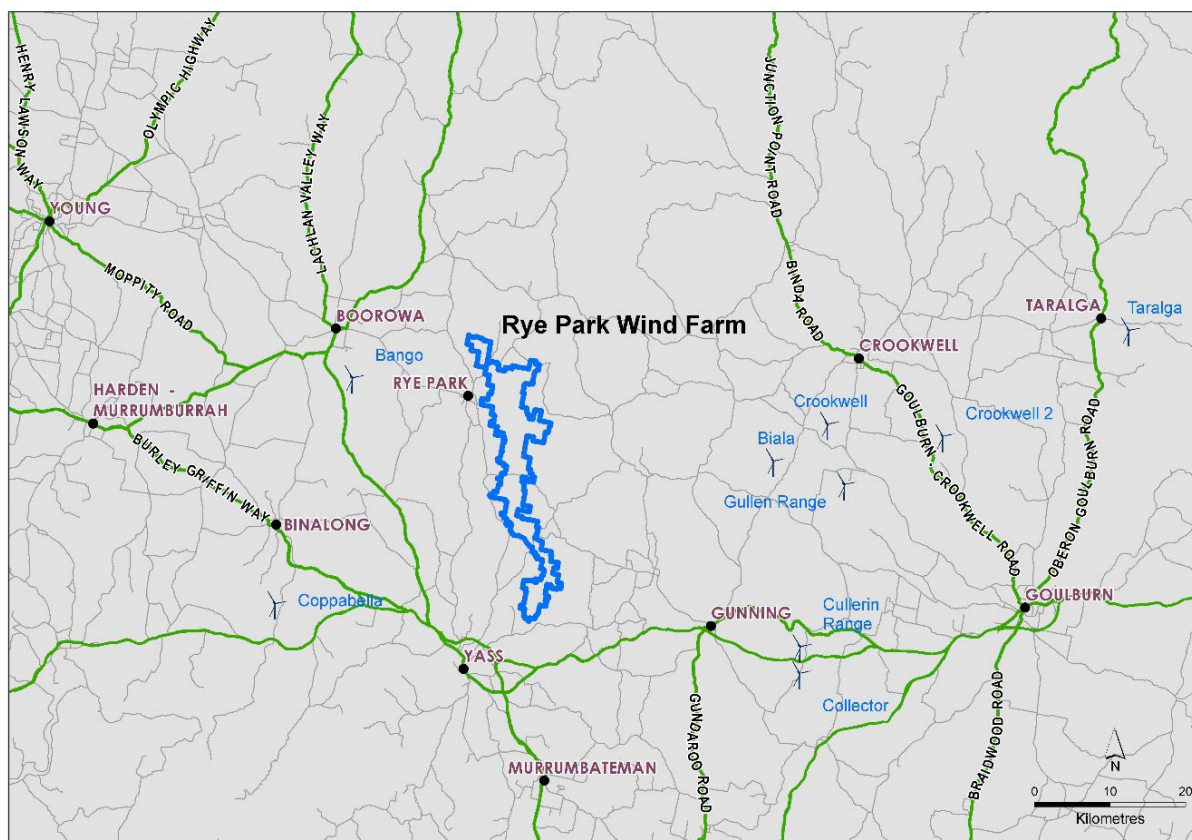


Figure 1: Site Location

The main components of the Action are as follows:

- 66 wind turbines, each with:
  - a capacity to generate up to approximately 6 MW
  - three blades mounted on a tubular steel tower, with a combined height of blade and tower limited to a maximum tip height of 200 metres
  - crane hardstand area, and related turbine lay down area;
- A new 33 kV wind farm collection substation in the northern section of the Project site;
- A new 330 kV wind farm connection substation located adjacent to the existing TransGrid 330 kV transmission line in the southern section of the Project site;
- A temporary construction compound at the northern section of the Project site;
- A temporary construction compound to facilitate the upgrades on the TransGrid owned existing 330kV Transmission Line at the southern section of the Project site;
- A new overhead powerline approximately 30km in length, rated at up to 330 kV (nominal) capacity, running north-south along the length of the wind farm between the two substations. The powerline would be mounted on a single pole type structure and will either be single-circuit or double-circuit as required;
- Underground and overhead 33 kV electrical cabling linking the wind turbines to the on-site collection substations and connection substation;
- Operation and maintenance facility incorporating a control room and equipment storage at the northern section of the Project site;
- Temporary concrete batching plants and construction facilities;
- Access tracks required for each wind turbine and the related ancillary facilities above;
- Minor upgrades to local roads, as required for the delivery of the wind turbines; and
- Three temporary meteorological masts and two permanent monitoring masts for wind speed verification, weather and general monitoring purposes. The permanent monitoring masts may be either static guyed or un-guyed structures and will be to a minimum height of the wind turbine hubs (119m).

The Action will include three key phases, including construction, operations and decommissioning. The Action was constructed in a single stage and is expected to have an operational life of 25-30 years.

## 2.2 Works Undertaken (During Reporting Period)

The Action is fully operational. The operations phase of the Action commenced on 10 October 2024. The majority of works undertaken during the Reporting Period relate to the day-to-day operations of the wind farm and associated infrastructure. The following key activities have been undertaken in the Reporting Period:

- Operation and maintenance of 66 wind turbine generators;
- The use of the O&M facility and site offices;
- The undertaking of bat and avifauna mortality and carrion searches;
- Associated road maintenance and rectification activities of both upgraded roads and other public roads (with the initial road upgrades complete prior to the Reporting Period); and
- Maintenance and use of internal wind farm access tracks.

### 3.0 Approval Conditions Compliance

The Approval Holder has demonstrated how the Action is compliant with the conditions of the EPBC Approval in Table 1.

**Table 1: Approval Conditions Compliance**

Condition Number	Approval Condition	Compliance Status	Comments
<b>Part A – Conditions specific to the action</b>			
<b>Clearance Limits</b>			
1	The approval holder must not construct more than 77 wind turbines within the <b>project area</b> .	Compliant (ongoing requirements)	<p>In accordance with Condition 12 of the EPBC Approval, the Approval Holder submitted detailed plans of the final layout to the Department on 23 October 2021. These plans identified the intention of the Approval Holder to construct and operate 66 wind turbines as part of the Action, with no further amendment to the number of wind turbines proposed since submission of the final layout.</p> <p>Detailed plans of the Completed Layout were submitted to the Department on 27 October 2023 in accordance with Condition 15, which confirmed that 66 wind turbines had been constructed as part of the Action. The Action is now operational and no staging of the Action is proposed.</p> <p>Construction of the Action has only been undertaken within the defined project area, which is validated by the spatial data provided with the formal notification of civil disturbance areas as part of the Completed Layout. No further construction or disturbance has occurred outside areas which were advised to the Department on 27 October 2023.</p>
2	The approval holder must not <b>clear</b> within the <b>project area</b> , except: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. within the area labelled as 'Project area - Road Upgrades' as shown on the maps in <a href="#">Appendix A</a> and <a href="#">Appendix B</a>; and</li> <li>b. <b>HBTs</b> unless the Offset Strategy required under condition 13 has been approved by the <b>Minister</b>.</li> </ul>	Compliant (condition fully satisfied)	<p>The Rye Park Wind Farm Biodiversity Offset Strategy (Revision 2, dated 8 November 2021) was approved by a delegate of the Minister for the Environment on 12 November 2021, prior to the commencement of the action (and clearing within the project area).</p> <p>Notice was provided to the Department on 16 November 2021 that the action commenced on 16 November 2021 in accordance with Condition 23(a).</p> <p><b>No update for the current Reporting Period.</b></p>
3	The approval holder must not <b>clear</b> more than: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. 35.73 ha of <b>Box Gum Woodland</b>;</li> <li>b. 20.08 ha of <b>Superb Parrot habitat</b>;</li> <li>c. 233 <b>HBTs</b>;</li> <li>d. 85.28 ha of <b>Golden Sun Moth habitat</b>; and</li> <li>e. 43.29 ha of <b>Striped Legless Lizard habitat</b></li> </ul>	Compliant (condition fully satisfied)	In accordance with the approved Rye Park Wind Farm Biodiversity Management Plan (Revision G, dated 26 September 2022), the Approval Holder has specific statutory performance criteria, which align with the relevant clearing limits identified in Condition 3 of the EPBC Approval.

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	within the <b>project area</b> .		<p>Civil disturbance associated with the Action was complete in August 2023, with the surveyed spatial information of the actual disturbance areas subsequently validated by the Approval Holder and submitted to the Department on 28 October 2023 in accordance with Condition 15 of the EPBC Approval.</p> <p>The final surveyed areas of actual disturbance associated with the construction of the Action, relevant to the ecological entities listed in Condition 3 of the EPBC Approval, is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. 27.08ha of Box Gum Woodland (a reduction of 8.65ha from the relevant limit);</li> <li>b. 15.88ha of Superb Parrot habitat (a reduction of 4.20ha from the relevant limit);</li> <li>c. 32 HBTs (a reduction of 201 from the relevant limit);</li> <li>d. 65.22ha of Golden Sun Moth habitat (a reduction of 20.06ha from the relevant limit); and</li> <li>e. 37.57ha of Striped Legless Lizard habitat (a reduction of 5.72ha from the approved limit).</li> </ul> <p>Following the conclusion of the civil disturbance (and commencement of progressive rehabilitation of the temporary disturbance areas), no further clearance is proposed to the relevant entities listed in Condition 3 during the operation of the Action.</p> <p><b>No update for the current Reporting Period.</b></p>
4	The approval holder must not <b>clear</b> any confirmed <b>Superb Parrot nest trees</b> within the <b>project area</b> .	Compliant (condition fully satisfied)	<p>Project inspections and the final disturbance areas that form part of the Completed Layout Plans required by Condition 15 of the EPBC Approval confirm that no confirmed Superb Parrot nest trees have been impacted by the Action.</p> <p><b>No update for the current Reporting Period.</b></p>
<b>Management Plans</b>			
5	To mitigate unavoidable <b>impacts to protected matters</b> , the approval holder must submit a Biodiversity Management Plan (BMP) for the <b>Minister's</b> approval prior to the <b>commencement of the action</b> .	Compliant (Condition fully satisfied)	<p>The Rye Park Wind Farm Biodiversity Management Plan (Revision F, dated 25 October 2021) was submitted to the Department on 2 November 2021 prior to the commencement of the Action on 16</p>

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6	The approval holder must not <b>commence the action</b> unless the <b>Minister</b> has approved the BMP in writing. The approval holder must implement the approved BMP.	Compliant (condition fully satisfied)	<p>November 2021. The Plan was subsequently approved by a delegate of the Minister for the Environment on 4 November 2021.</p> <p>The approved Biodiversity Management Plan has been implemented by the Approval Holder and its contractors. The Approval Holder has conducted periodic inspections and monitoring to verify the implementation of the Plan by its contractors.</p> <p>No non-compliances with the Biodiversity Management Plan were recorded in the Reporting Period.</p>
7	<p>The BMP must be consistent with the <b>department's Environmental Management Plan Guidelines</b>, and must include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The BMP environmental objectives, relevant <b>protected matters</b> and a reference to <b>EPBC Act</b> approval conditions to which the BMP refers;</li> <li>A table of commitments made in the BMP to achieve the objectives, and a reference to where the commitments are detailed in the BMP;</li> <li>Reporting and review mechanisms, and documentation standards to demonstrate compliance with the BMP;</li> <li>An assessment of risks to achieving the BMP environmental objectives and strategies that will be applied to manage risks;</li> <li><b>Impact</b> avoidance, mitigation and/or repair measures, and their timing, including:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>details of pre-clearance surveys;</li> <li>rehabilitation and revegetation measures;</li> <li>erosion and sediment control measures;</li> <li>weed management measures;</li> <li>management measures to prevent the introduction or spread of <i>Phytophthora cinnamomi</i>;</li> <li>measures to protect <b>retained Superb Parrot nest trees</b>;</li> <li>details of buffer zones or 'no-go zones' within the <b>project area</b>;</li> </ol> </li> <li>A monitoring program, which must include:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>measurable performance indicators;</li> <li>the timing and frequency of monitoring to detect triggers and changes in the performance indicators;</li> <li>trigger values for corrective actions; and</li> <li>proposed corrective actions if trigger values are reached.</li> </ol> </li> <li>A protocol for <b>clearing HBTs</b> to prevent harm or injury to any <b>EPBC Act listed threatened species</b>; and</li> <li>Any links to other <b>plans</b> or conditions of approval (including State approval conditions).</li> </ol>	Compliant (condition fully satisfied)	<p>In assessing and approving the Rye Park Wind Farm Biodiversity Management Plan, the Department had assessed the Plan against the requirements of Condition 7 of the EPBC Approval and determined that the Plan sufficiently addresses the relevant obligations.</p> <p>Section 1.2 of the Biodiversity Management Plan identifies where each requirement of Condition 7 of the EPBC Approval has been addressed in the Plan.</p>

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8	To minimise <b>impacts to EPBC Act listed bird and bat species</b> during <b>commissioning</b> and <b>operation</b> of the wind farm, the approval holder must submit a Bird and Bat Adaptive Management Plan (BBAMP) for the <b>Minister's</b> approval prior to the commencement of <b>commissioning</b> . The BBAMP must ensure that the <b>commissioning</b> and <b>operation</b> of wind turbines is managed, monitored and limited such that <b>impacts to EPBC Act listed bird and bat species</b> are reliably detected, quantified, reported and responded to.	Compliant (condition fully satisfied)	<p>The Rye Park Wind Farm Bird and Bat Adaptive Management Plan (Revision 8, dated 15 May 2023) (BBAMP) was submitted to the Department on 15 May 2023 and approved by a delegate of the Minister for the Environment and Water on 8 June 2023.</p> <p>The Approval Holder commenced commissioning of Action on 20 July 2023. Notification of the commencement of commissioning was provided to the Department on 23 July 2023 in accordance with Condition 23(b). The Approval Holder implemented requirements of the BBAMP in relation to the commissioning phase actions in previous Reporting Periods.</p>
9	The approval holder must not commence <b>commissioning</b> unless the <b>Minister</b> has approved the BBAMP in writing. The approval holder must implement the approved BBAMP.	Compliant (ongoing requirements)	<p>During the current Reporting Period, operational phase monitoring was conducted on site. All management actions outlined in the BBAMP were undertaken by the Approval Holder and its contractors.</p> <p>The Rye Park Wind Farm BBAMP Annual Report will be delivered in January 2026.</p>
10	<p>The BBAMP must be consistent with the <b>department's Environmental Management Plan Guidelines</b>, and must include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The environmental objectives of the BBAMP, relevant <b>EPBC Act protected matters</b> and a reference to where each relevant <b>EPBC Act</b> approval condition is addressed in the BBAMP;</li> <li>A table of commitments made in the BBAMP to achieve the environmental objectives, and a reference to where the commitments are detailed in the BBAMP;</li> <li>An assessment of risks to achieving the BBAMP environmental objectives and strategies that will be applied to manage risks;</li> <li>A proposed program of monitoring to detect or reliably estimate all collisions with <b>EPBC Act listed bird and bat species</b>. The approval holder must provide evidence that the proposed methods, frequency and timing of monitoring will provide statistically reliable detection or reliable estimates of all collisions with <b>EPBC Act listed bird and bat species</b>. The monitoring program must specify: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>measurable performance indicators;</li> <li>triggers for corrective actions;</li> <li>the timing and frequency of monitoring to detect triggers and changes in the performance indicators;</li> <li>mortality monitoring, including carcass searches, carcass persistence trials and scavenger trials methodologies;</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	Compliant (ongoing requirements)	<p>In assessing and approving the BBAMP, the Department had assessed the Plan against the requirements of Condition 10 of the EPBC Approval and determined that the Plan sufficiently addresses the relevant obligations.</p> <p>Section 1.2 of the BBAMP identifies where each requirement of Condition 10 of the EPBC Approval has been addressed in the Plan.</p> <p>Following the commencement of commissioning of the Action, the Approval Holder has commenced monitoring and survey actions as outlined in the BBAMP. The Approval Holder notes that one impact trigger threshold was met in relation to an EPBC Act-listed species (white-throated needletail). This impact was reported to DCCEEW on 17 January 2025 after the specimen was discovered on 16 January 2025. An investigation was undertaken by project ecologists (Umwelt (Australia) Pty Ltd), which was delivered to DCCEEW on 11 February 2025. The investigation determined that no further action was necessary.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>v. proposed corrective actions if triggers are reached, including, but not limited to, ceasing operation of specific wind turbines;</li> <li>e. Measures, and their timing, to avoid and mitigate <b>impacts</b>, including, but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. measures to minimise <b>impacts</b> associated with lighting (such as preventing the attraction of <b>EPBC Act listed bird and bat species</b> to locations with high risk of collision with turbines);</li> <li>ii. measures to minimise the risks to <b>EPBC Act listed bird and bat species</b> from turbine strike (such as bird and insect deterrents, low wind speed curtailment, ceasing operation of specific wind turbines during specific times, and/or permanent decommissioning of specific turbines); and</li> <li>iii. procedures for dealing with any <b>EPBC Act listed bird and bat species</b> that require relocation or are injured within the <b>project area</b>;</li> </ul> </li> <li>f. How the effectiveness of mitigation measures will be monitored and analysed, and decisions made regarding adaptive measures to achieve the environmental objectives of the BBAMP;</li> <li>g. Reporting and review mechanisms, and documentation standards to demonstrate compliance with the BBAMP. This must include how monitoring data and analysis of monitoring results will be reported and published, and a procedure for reporting the death or injury of any <b>EPBC Act listed bird and bat species</b> to the department;</li> <li>h. A proposal for how any residual significant impact to an <b>EPBC Act listed bird and bat species</b> will be offset by the approval holder in accordance with the <b>EPBC Act Environmental Offsets Policy</b>.</li> </ul>		
11	<p>The approval holder must provide an evaluation, prepared by a <b>suitably qualified person</b>, of the effectiveness of the measures implemented to avoid and mitigate <b>impacts to EPBC Act listed bird and bat species</b> within the <b>project area</b> from turbine strike, and report against triggers for corrective actions, in each compliance report required under condition 29.</p>	Compliant (ongoing requirements)	<p>The Approval Holder notes that one impact trigger threshold was met in relation to an EPBC Act-listed species (white-throated needletail). This impact was reported to DCCEE on 17 January 2025 after the specimen was discovered on 16 January 2025. An investigation was undertaken by project ecologists (Umwelt (Australia) Pty Ltd), which was delivered to DCCEE on 11 February 2025. The investigation determined that no further action was necessary.</p> <p>The project ecologists are currently preparing the first Annual Report at the time of writing. The report will summarise and assess the implemented survey and search program.</p>
<b>Offsets</b>			

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12	Prior to the <b>commencement of the action</b> , the approval holder must submit to the <b>Minister</b> detailed plans of the <b>final layout</b> .	Compliant (condition fully satisfied)	<p>In accordance with Condition 12 of the EPBC Approval, the Approval Holder submitted detailed plans of the final layout to the Department on 23 October 2021.</p> <p>It is noted that the Approval Holder did submit revised Final Layout Plans to the Department on 31 May 2022 as part of an updated Rye Park Wind Farm Biodiversity Offset Strategy (Revision 3, dated 31 May 2022), which was submitted with a request to vary the EPBC Approval. These revised Final Layout Plans were subsequently approved by the Department on 30 June 2022 as part of the Rye Park Wind Farm Biodiversity Offset Strategy (Revision 3, dated 31 May 2022).</p> <p><b>No update for the current Reporting Period.</b></p>
13	To compensate for <b>impacts to protected matters</b> , prior to <b>commencement of the action</b> , the approval holder must submit an Offset Strategy for approval by the <b>Minister</b>	Compliant (condition fully satisfied)	<p>The Rye Park Wind Farm Biodiversity Offset Strategy (Revision 2, dated 8 November 2021) was submitted to the Department on 8 November 2021 prior to the commencement of the Action on 16 November 2021. Following submission of the Plan, it was subsequently approved by a delegate of the Minister for the Environment on 12 November 2021.</p> <p>It is noted that the Approval Holder did submit a revised Biodiversity Offset Strategy on 31 May 2022 (Revision 3, dated 31 May 2022), which was submitted with a request to vary the EPBC Approval. The revised Biodiversity Offset Strategy was subsequently approved on 30 June 2022 and a further request to amend the Biodiversity Offset Strategy (Revision 4, dated 26 September 2022) was approved by a delegate of the Minister for the Environment on 14 November 2022. This further amendment was made in relation to varying state-based approval conditions for the Action.</p> <p>A further revision to the Offset Strategy (Revision 5, dated 6 May 2024) was submitted for the Department's consideration on 7 May 2024 following the directed variation to the conditions of the EPBC Approval and confirmation of the final biodiversity credit liability as part of the Completed Layout. The revised Offset Strategy was approved by DCCEEW on 1 April 2025.</p>
14	The Offset Strategy must be prepared by a <b>suitably qualified expert(s)</b> and must:	Compliant (condition fully satisfied)	In assessing and approving the Rye Park Wind Farm Biodiversity Offset Strategy, the Department had assessed the Plan against the

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	<p>a. based on the areas of habitat for <b>protected matters</b>, including <b>HBTs</b>, to be <b>impacted</b> in the <b>final layout</b>, propose offsets to compensate for <b>impacts</b> to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <b>Box Gum Woodland;</b></li> <li>ii. <b>Superb Parrot habitat, including HBTs;</b></li> <li>iii. <b>Golden Sun Moth habitat; and</b></li> <li>iv. <b>Striped Legless Lizard habitat</b></li> </ul> <p>in accordance with clauses 6.2 and 6.6A of the Biodiversity Conservation Regulation 2017 (NSW); and</p> <p>b. provide the <b>Biodiversity Assessment Method</b> credit calculations used to determine the required number of <b>like-for-like biodiversity credits</b> to be <b>retired</b> to compensate for <b>impacts</b> to <b>protected matters</b>.</p>		<p>requirements of Condition 14 of the EPBC Approval and determined that the Plan sufficiently addresses the relevant obligations.</p> <p>Section 2.0 of the Biodiversity Offset Strategy identifies where each requirement of Condition 14 has been addressed in the Plan.</p> <p><b>No update for the current Reporting Period.</b></p>
15	<p>Prior to the commencement of <b>operation</b>, the approval holder must submit to the <b>Minister</b> detailed plans of the <b>completed layout</b>. If <b>impacts</b> to <b>protected matters</b> from the <b>completed layout</b> are more than those proposed in the <b>final layout</b>, the approval holder must submit, for approval by the <b>Minister</b>, a version of the Offset Strategy revised to compensate for <b>impacts</b> to <b>protected matters</b> from the action. The approval holder must not commence <b>operation</b> unless the <b>Minister</b> has either confirmed that the <b>completed layout</b> has not increased <b>impacts</b> relative to the <b>final layout</b> or approved the revised Offset Strategy in writing.</p>	Compliant (condition fully satisfied)	<p>Detailed plans of the Completed Layout were submitted to the Department on 27 October 2023. As outlined above in relation to Condition 3, the Completed Layout and associated analysis identified an overall reduction in impacts from what was presented in the approved Rye Park Wind Farm Offset Strategy.</p> <p>The Department provided confirmation of acceptance of the information provided on 27 August 2024. This correspondence validated that there was no increased impact from the Completed Layout prior to the commencement of operation of the Action on 10 October 2024.</p> <p><b>No update for the current Reporting Period.</b></p>
16	<p>The approval holder must <b>retire</b> the <b>like-for-like biodiversity credits</b>, as required in the approved Offset Strategy or, if a revision of the Offset Strategy is required in accordance with condition 15, the approved revised Offset Strategy, within two (2) years of the <b>commencement of the action</b>, and prior to the commencement of <b>operation</b>.</p>	Compliant (condition fully satisfied)	<p>Notification was provided to the Department on 28 May 2024 of the Approval Holder satisfying the retirement of like-for-like biodiversity credits for the Action on 28 May 2024 following the process outlined in the Offset Strategy.</p>
17	<p>Within 20 <b>business days</b> of completing the requirements of condition 16, the approval holder must provide the <b>department</b> with <b>evidence</b> of when and how the <b>like-for-like biodiversity credits</b> were <b>retired</b>.</p>	Compliant (condition fully satisfied)	
18	<p>To compensate for potential cumulative <b>impacts</b> on the <b>Superb Parrot</b>, the approval holder must prepare and implement a Superb Parrot Population Monitoring Program (SPPMP). The SPPMP must be submitted to the <b>Minister</b> for approval prior to commencement of <b>commissioning</b>.</p>	Compliant (condition fully satisfied)	<p>The Approval Holder submitted the Rye Park Wind Farm Superb Parrot Research Plan (Revision 3, dated November 2022) to the Department on 29 September 2022. A delegate of the Minister for the Environment</p>

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19	The approval holder must not commence <b>commissioning</b> unless the <b>Minister</b> has approved the SPPMP. The approval holder must implement the approved SPPMP.	Compliant (condition fully satisfied)	<p>and Water has approved the Plan in accordance with Condition 18 on 1 December 2022.</p> <p>The Approval Holder commenced commissioning of Action on 20 July 2023. Notification of the commencement of commissioning was provided to the Department on 23 July 2023 in accordance with Condition 23(b).</p> <p>The Approval Holder has entered into an agreement with the National Superb Parrot Recovery Team regarding implementation of the Research Plan on behalf of the Approval Holder. Ongoing consultation with this delivery partner has identified the need to vary the approved SPPMP to alter the proposed delivery timeframes and a varied SPPMP (Revision 4, dated 15 October 2024) was submitted to the Department for consideration on 15 October 2024. The revised SPPMP was approved by DCCEEW on 1 April 2025.</p>
20	The implementation of the SPPMP must increase contemporary knowledge of <b>Superb Parrot</b> habitat use and breeding ecology within the <b>South-west Slopes of NSW Important Bird Area</b> , with a focus on identification of key breeding sites, and a better understanding of local movement patterns during the breeding season and landscape scale movements between the key breeding areas and winter foraging grounds.	Compliant (ongoing requirements)	<p>In assessing and approving the Rye Park Wind Farm Superb Parrot Research Plan, the Department had assessed the Research Plan against the requirements of Condition 20 and determined that the Research Plan sufficiently addresses the relevant obligations.</p> <p>The specific requirements relevant to Condition 20 are addressed in Section 3 and 5 of the Research Plan.</p> <p><b>No update for the current Reporting Period.</b></p>
21	<p>The SPPMP must support the recovery objectives and actions described in the <b>National Recovery Plan for the Superb Parrot <i>Polytelis swainsonii</i></b>. The SPPMP must include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>specific conservation research and monitoring objectives and proposed activities, additional to any required under the approved BBAMP, to achieve the objectives;</li> <li>proposed timing, effort and expertise required for each activity;</li> <li>nomination of <b>suitably qualified persons or organisations</b> responsible for carrying out the activities;</li> <li>commitments for the provision and timing of funding; and</li> <li>mechanisms to ensure that knowledge and information gained from the SPPMP is easily accessible and can be used by the <b>department</b>, the general public and the scientific community.</li> </ol>	Compliant (ongoing requirements)	<p>The Rye Park Wind Farm Superb Parrot Research Plan is consistent with the National Recovery Plan and has been prepared with input from the National Superb Parrot Recovery Team.</p> <p>Section 2 of the Research Plan identifies where each requirement of Condition 21 has been addressed in the Research Plan.</p> <p><b>No update for the current Reporting Period.</b></p>

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22	<p>The approval holder must provide \$250,000 over three (3) years, indexed in line with CPI for each year on the date of this approval, to fund the conservation research activities specified in the approved SPPMP. The contributions are to be made as specified in the table below.</p> <table><tr><td>Year 1 (2023)</td><td>\$79,800 (GST exclusive)</td></tr><tr><td>Year 2 (2024)</td><td>\$79,800 (GST exclusive)</td></tr><tr><td>Year 3 (2025)</td><td>\$90,400 (GST exclusive)</td></tr></table> <p>The first contribution must be made prior to the commencement of commissioning, and no later than 30 June 2023. Subsequent annual contributions must be made within 20 business days of the anniversary of the date of the first contribution.</p>	Year 1 (2023)	\$79,800 (GST exclusive)	Year 2 (2024)	\$79,800 (GST exclusive)	Year 3 (2025)	\$90,400 (GST exclusive)	Compliant (conditions fully satisfied)	<p>The funding contributions have been paid in line with the requirements of the condition as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Year 1 – payment made on 23 March 2023; and</li><li>• Year 2 – payment made on 22 March 2024.</li><li>• Year 3 – payment made on 07 March 2025.</li></ul> <p>The initial payment was made both prior to 30 June 2023 and the commencement of commissioning on 20 July 2023 as required by Condition 22. The subsequent payments within the Reporting Periods are compliant with this requirement.</p>
Year 1 (2023)	\$79,800 (GST exclusive)								
Year 2 (2024)	\$79,800 (GST exclusive)								
Year 3 (2025)	\$90,400 (GST exclusive)								
Part B – Standard administrative conditions									
Notification of date of commencement									
23	<p>The approval holder must notify the <b>department</b> in writing of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. the date of <b>commencement of the action</b> within 10 <b>business days</b> after the date of <b>commencement of the action</b>;</li><li>b. the date of commencement of <b>commissioning</b> within 10 business days after the date of commencement of <b>commissioning</b>;</li><li>c. the date of commencement of <b>operation</b> within 10 <b>business days</b> after the date of commencement of <b>operation</b>.</li></ol>	Compliant (conditions fully satisfied)	<p>Notice was provided to the Department meeting the requirements of this condition as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Commencement of Action – 16 November 2021;</li><li>• Commencement of Commissioning – 23 July 2023; and</li><li>• Commencement of Operations – 10 October 2024.</li></ul> <p>All the above notifications were provided on the day the relevant milestone occurred (being within the 10 business days required by the condition).</p> <p>The notification of the commencement of operations of the Action, which was given to the Department in the current Reporting Period has been provided previously to the Department.</p>						
24	<p>If the <b>commencement of the action</b> does not occur within five (5) years from the date of this approval, then the approval holder must not <b>commence the action</b> without the prior written agreement of the <b>Minister</b>.</p>	Compliant (condition fully satisfied)	<p>The Approval Holder has substantially commenced the action that relates to the EPBC Approval.</p>						
Compliance records									
25	<p>The approval holder must maintain accurate and complete <b>compliance records</b>.</p>	Currently compliant with condition	<p>The Approval Holder maintains accurate records substantiating all activities associated with or relevant to the conditions of the EPBC Approval, including measures taken to implement the actions described in the management plans.</p>						

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			<b>No update for the current Reporting Period.</b>
26	<p>If the <b>department</b> makes a request in writing, the approval holder must provide electronic copies of <b>compliance records</b> to the <b>department</b> within the timeframe specified in the request.</p> <p><i><b>Note: Compliance records</b> may be subject to audit by the <b>department</b> or an independent auditor in accordance with section 458 of the <b>EPBC Act</b>, and or used to verify compliance with the conditions. Summaries of the result of an audit may be published on the <b>department's</b> website or through the general media.</i></p>	Not applicable	No written requests have been received by the Department to provide compliance records during the reporting period.
<b>Submission and publication of plans</b>			
27	<p>The approval holder must:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>submit <b>plans</b> electronically to the <b>department</b> for approval by the <b>Minister</b>;</li> <li>unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Minister, publish each <b>plan</b> on the website within 20 <b>business days</b> of the date:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the <b>plan</b> is approved by the <b>Minister</b>, or</li> <li>the <b>plan</b> is submitted to the <b>Minister</b> or the <b>department</b>;</li> </ol> </li> <li>exclude or redact <b>sensitive ecological data</b> from <b>plans</b> published on the <b>website</b> or provided to a member of the public; and</li> <li>keep <b>plans</b> published on the <b>website</b> until the end date of this approval.</li> </ol>	Compliant (ongoing requirements)	<p>The Approval Holder has submitted plans to the Department relevant to the EPBC Approval conditions. In accordance with Condition 27 these plans have been published on the Approval Holder's website (<a href="https://tiltrenewables.com/portfolio/rye-park-wind-farm/">https://tiltrenewables.com/portfolio/rye-park-wind-farm/</a>), including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Biodiversity Management Plan (Condition 5)</li> <li>Bird and Bat Adaptive Management Plan (Condition 8)</li> <li>Offset Strategy (Condition 13)</li> <li>Completed Layout Plans (Condition 15)</li> <li>Superb Parrot Population Monitoring Program (Condition 18)</li> </ul>
27A	The approval holder must keep all <b>plans</b> required by these conditions published on the <b>website</b> until the expiry date of this approval.		<p>The plans have been published with their relevant letters of approval from the Department for reference.</p> <p><b>No update for the current Reporting Period.</b></p>
27B	The approval holder is required to exclude or redact <b>sensitive ecological data</b> from <b>plans</b> published on the <b>website</b> or otherwise provided to a member of the public. If <b>sensitive ecological data</b> is excluded or redacted from a <b>plan</b> , the approval holder must notify the <b>department</b> in writing what exclusions and redactions have been made in the version published on the <b>website</b> .	Compliant (ongoing requirements)	No sensitive ecological data has been noted in the plans prepared and published on the Approval Holder's website for the Action.
28	The approval holder must ensure that any <b>monitoring data</b> (including <b>sensitive ecological data</b> ), surveys, maps, and other spatial and metadata required under a <b>plan</b> , is prepared in accordance with the <b>department's</b> Guidelines for biological survey and mapped data (2018) and submitted electronically to the department in accordance with the requirements of the <b>plan</b> .	Compliant (ongoing requirements)	In assessing and approving the relevant plans required by the EPBC Approval, the Department had assessed the plans against the requirements of Condition 28 and determined that the plans and data sufficiently addressed the relevant obligations.

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28A	The approval holder must ensure that any <b>monitoring data</b> (including <b>sensitive ecological data</b> ), surveys, maps, and other spatial and metadata required under the conditions of this approval are prepared in accordance with the Guide to providing maps and boundary data for EPBC Act projects, Commonwealth of Australia 2021, or as otherwise specified by the <b>Minister</b> in writing.	Compliant (ongoing requirements)	Relevant plans and spatial data relevant to the Project are recorded and presented in accordance with the Approval Holder’s internal systems and processes that are consistent with the condition requirements. Submission of monitoring data is noted with respect to compliance with the requirements of the plans.
28B	The approval holder must submit all <b>monitoring data</b> (including <b>sensitive ecological data</b> ), surveys, maps, other spatial and metadata and all species occurrence record data (sightings and evidence of presence) electronically to the <b>department</b> in accordance with the requirements of the plans.	Compliant (ongoing requirements)	
Annual compliance reporting			
29	<p>The approval holder must prepare a <b>compliance report</b> for each 12 month period following the date of <b>commencement of the action</b>, or as otherwise agreed to in writing by the <b>Minister</b>. The approval holder must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. publish each <b>compliance report</b> on the <b>website</b> within 20 <b>business days</b> following the relevant 12 month period;</li><li>b. notify the <b>department</b> by email that a <b>compliance report</b> has been published on the <b>website</b> and provide the link for the <b>compliance report</b> within five (5) <b>business days</b> of the date of publication;</li><li>c. keep all <b>compliance reports</b> publicly available on the <b>website</b> until this approval expires;</li><li>d. exclude or redact <b>sensitive ecological data</b> from <b>compliance reports</b> published on the <b>website</b>; and</li><li>e. where any <b>sensitive ecological data</b> has been excluded from the version published, submit the full <b>compliance report</b> to the <b>department</b> within five (5) <b>business days</b> of publication.</li></ul> <p><b>Note: Compliance reports may be published on the <i>department’s</i> website.</b></p>	Compliant (ongoing requirements)	This compliance report has been prepared to satisfy Condition 29. It is relevant to the 4 <sup>th</sup> Year and is required to be published on the Approval Holder’s website by 12 December 2025. Relevant notifications will be provided to the Department as noted in the condition.
29A	Each <b>compliance report</b> must be consistent with the Annual Compliance Report Guidelines, Commonwealth of Australia 2023.	Compliant (ongoing requirements)	As previously noted in Section 1.0, the Annual Compliance Report Guidelines have been references and used as a guide in preparing this compliance report.
29B	<p>Each <b>compliance report</b> must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Accurate and complete details of compliance and any non-compliance with:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>i. each condition attached to this approval decision,</li><li>ii. if any <b>incident</b> occurred, each <b>incident</b>.</li></ul></li></ul>	Compliant (ongoing requirements)	This compliance report provides an accurate and complete package of compliance with the EPBC Approval with reference to each specific condition and any incidents.

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	<div><div>b.</div><div>One or more <b>shapefile(s)</b> showing all <b>clearing of protected matters</b>, and/or their habitat, undertaken within the 12-month period at the end of which that <b>compliance report</b> is prepared.</div></div> <div><div>c.</div><div>A schedule of all <b>plans</b> in existence in relation to these conditions and accurate and complete details of how each <b>plan</b> is being implemented.</div></div>		
Reporting non-compliance			
30	<div>The approval holder must notify the <b>department</b> in writing of any: <b>incident</b>; non-compliance with the conditions; or non-compliance with the commitments made in <b>plans</b>. The notification must be given as soon as practicable, and no later than two (2) <b>business days</b> after becoming aware of the <b>incident</b> or non-compliance. The notification must specify:</div> <div><div>a.</div><div>any condition which is or may be in breach;</div></div> <div><div>b.</div><div>a short description of the <b>incident</b> and/or non-compliance; and</div></div> <div><div>c.</div><div>the location (including co-ordinates), date, and time of the <b>incident</b> and/or non-compliance. In the event the exact information cannot be provided, provide the best information available.</div></div>	Compliant (ongoing requirements)	<div>As noted in Section 1.0, the Annual Compliance Report Guidelines have been references and used as a guide in preparing this compliance report.</div> <div>No additional any incidents or non-compliance with the conditions of the EPBC Approval or the approved action management plans have been noted during the Reporting Period.</div>
31	<div>The approval holder must provide to the <b>department</b> the details of any <b>incident</b> or non-compliance with the conditions or commitments made in <b>plans</b> as soon as practicable and no later than 10 <b>business days</b> after becoming aware of the <b>incident</b> or non-compliance, specifying:</div> <div><div>a.</div><div>any corrective action or investigation which the approval holder has already taken or intends to take in the immediate future;</div></div> <div><div>b.</div><div>the potential <b>impacts</b> of the <b>incident</b> or non-compliance; and</div></div> <div><div>c.</div><div>the method and timing of any remedial action that will be undertaken by the approval holder.</div></div>		
32	<div>The approval holder must ensure that <b>independent audits</b> of compliance with the conditions are conducted as requested in writing by the <b>Minister</b>.</div>	Currently compliant with condition	<div>On 23 January 2025, the Approval Holder received a request from the Minister to conduct an independent audit of compliance with the conditions of the EPBC Approval.</div> <div>On 1 August 2025, the completion of the independent audit was acknowledged and approved by the Department.</div> <div>The next independent audit will be conducted in the next five-year period, as per Condition 32A.</div>
32A	<div>The approval holder must ensure that an <b>independent audit</b> of compliance with the conditions is conducted every five-year period following the <b>commencement of the Action</b> until this approval expires (unless otherwise specified in writing by the <b>Minister</b>).</div>		
33	<div>For each <b>independent audit</b>, the approval holder must:</div> <div><div>a.</div><div>provide the name and qualifications of the <b>independent</b> auditor and the draft audit criteria to the <b>department</b>;</div></div>		

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	b. only commence the <b>independent audit</b> once the audit criteria have been approved in writing by the <b>department</b> ; and c. submit an audit report to the <b>department</b> within the timeframe specified in the approved audit criteria.		
34	The approval holder must publish the audit report on the <b>website</b> within 10 <b>business days</b> of receiving the <b>department's</b> approval of the audit report and keep the audit report published on the <b>website</b> until the end date of this approval.		
<b>Revision of action management plans</b>			
35	The approval holder may, at any time, apply to the <b>Minister</b> for a variation to an action management plan approved by the <b>Minister</b> under conditions 5, 8 and 13 or as subsequently revised in accordance with these conditions, by submitting an application in accordance with the requirements of section 143A of the <b>EPBC Act</b> . If the <b>Minister</b> approves a revised action management plan then, from the date specified, the approval holder must implement the revised action management plan in place of the previous action management plan.	Compliant (ongoing requirements)	<p>A further revision to the Offset Strategy (Revision 5, dated 6 May 2024) was submitted for the Department's consideration on 7 May 2024 following the directed variation to the conditions of the EPBC Approval and confirmation of the final biodiversity credit liability as part of the Completed Layout. The revised Offset Strategy was approved by DCCEEW on 1 April 2025.</p> <p>The approved action management plans continue to be implemented by the Approval Holder and its contractors and been made available on the Approval Holder's website (<a href="https://tiltrenewables.com/portfolio/rye-park-wind-farm/">https://tiltrenewables.com/portfolio/rye-park-wind-farm/</a>).</p>
<b>Completion of the action</b>			
36	Within 20 <b>business days</b> after the <b>completion of the action</b> , the approval holder must notify the <b>department</b> in writing and provide <b>completion data</b> .	Not applicable	Operation of the Action commenced in 2024 and is likely to have an operational life of 25 – 30 years.

## 4.0 Identified non-compliances

No non-compliances with the EPBC Approval were identified by the Approval Holder during the current Reporting Period.

## 5.0 New environmental risks

The Approval Holder and its contractors continued the operation of the wind farm during the current reporting period following commencement of the Action in the previous reporting period. The Approval Holder has actively reviewed compliance and environmental performance of its contractors in implementing the EPBC Approval conditions and requirements of the relevant action management plans.

Through the Reporting Period, the Approval Holder and its contractors consider that the current management measures are effective at minimising risks to the relevant Protected Matters and have not identified any additional environmental risks that require consideration and control.