Fortnightly Construction Update - # 54
Dundonnell Wind Farm

21/04/2020

Cable Install at D09

37 WTG installed

The Tilt Renewables team is continuing with the construction of the $560 million Dundonnell Wind Farm located approximately 23 kilometres north-east of Mortlake, in the Western District of Victoria. AusNet Services have constructed 38 kilometres of 220kV transmission line and a substation, which connects the wind farm to the electricity network.

Turbine installation continues to progress with a total of 37 turbines installed and works are underway for another 23 turbines. Commissioning works continue to progress with 25 turbines having commenced exporting electricity into the grid as part of this phase. While the turbines continue to produce more renewable energy, tower sections and turbine component deliveries are ongoing from Portland and Geelong.

Civil works continue to ramp down with the majority of civil works now completed with a total of 78 of 80 foundations backfilled to date. Trenching of the cable network has also been completed with a total of 67.7km of trenching dug and 53.0km of cable installed.

For the Connection Assets, construction is complete, and the team is now focussed on rehabilitation and project close out works. During April there will be works to rehabilitate temporary construction areas along the transmission lines (e.g. revegetation around the base of each pole). AusNet services will be managing these works.

The team is nearing completion of the road maintenance program, after which traffic conditions will return to normal.

COVID-19: Construction and commissioning works are continuing on site, however specific measures are being implemented to reduce the risk of spread of COVID-19. Tilt Renewables and contractors are closely monitoring these measures and changes to the wider situation as they develop. The measures put in place will be frequently reviewed and amended as required.

News Piece of the Week *"Dundonnell Wind Farm is now exporting up to 113MW (out of 336MW total capacity) of clean, renewable electricity to the grid."*