

Dear Seymour Wind Farm Community Members,

Welcome to the first edition of the Seymour newsletter. This newsletter provides information to the communities involved in the Seymour Wind Farm development, situated approximately 20km North-East of Seymour, between the towns of Avenel, Tarcombe and Ruffy.

Newsletters will be sent to everyone who has registered with the project but are also available by contacting us by phone or email, and by downloading directly from our website.

### **Community Meetings:**



**Ruffy Hall Community Session, February 2023**

Two sessions were held on Saturday February 25, 2023, to enable community members to attend a session that was most local to them. We have programmed these sessions every 3 months with the next upcoming date being Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>, May 2023. A list of future dates is included below.

### **Seymour Wind Farm – Community Consultation program,**

**Ruffy Hall: 10am – 12:00pm, Upton Hill CFA 2:00pm – 4:00pm**

**For the remainder of 2023: Saturday May 20, Saturday August 26, Saturday November 25**

Fera is in the investigation phase for a wind farm in the Strathbogie Ranges, a project that represents an opportunity for the area to be part of the transition to sustainable, zero carbon, energy production. At Fera, we place high importance on developing an open and honest relationship with the everyone in the community through direct conversation and we have planned the local meetings to seek your thoughts and inputs for the project.

Meetings are open to everyone, and we welcome your input. We look forward to everyone attending the community sessions.

A full copy of the information panels displayed at the community sessions has been posted to the Fera Australia website: <https://feraaustralia.com.au/seymour-2/#slides>.

During the community sessions there were questions asked about the project, community consultation, environmental, cultural, social, health and economic impacts of the project, size, and visual impact, benefit to community, potential impact on property values, carbon footprint and emissions, Victorian Energy Zones, and Cultural heritage.

We have updated our website with these questions and our responses to each of the issues raised. The website will continue to be updated with questions and answers to ensure these issues are recorded throughout the life of the project. The responses to these questions can be found here: <https://feraaustralia.com.au/faq-seymour/>.

Since the February community sessions, we have continued to meet with the community, local businesses, stakeholders, and landholders in the area to discuss the project. If you would like, please make direct contact with Fera Australia and set up a time to meet in person via the project email [seymour@feraaustralia.com.au](mailto:seymour@feraaustralia.com.au), or on 0481 234 229.

## Seymour Alternative Farming Expo

Held in Seymour's Kings Park from Friday March 31, 2023 – Sunday April 2, 2023, Fera attended the Alternative Farming Expo. Over the 3 days, twenty-two thousand people attended the event. This was a great opportunity to meet members of the farming community and explain the project.



### Key Environmental Metrics Recap:

The project is in one of Victoria's strong wind resource areas and is also close to the main grid.

The Victorian Government Renewable Energy Targets are:

- 2025 - 40% renewable energy
- 2035 - 95% renewable energy

To achieve these targets, Wind and Solar Energy will need to be two of the major contributors to the Victorian grid.

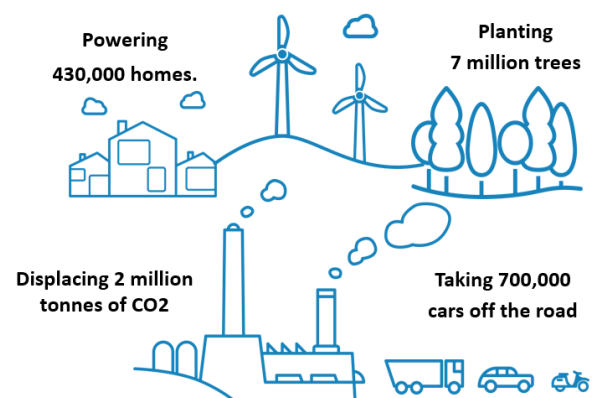
The Seymour project has the potential to create renewable energy for more than 400,000 homes.

The project also has the potential to reduce Victoria's greenhouse emissions by more than 2,000,000 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> every year.

Estimated production of the Seymour wind Farm:

**2 Million MWh per year**

This is equivalent to:



Please contact us at [seymour@feraaustralia.com.au](mailto:seymour@feraaustralia.com.au) or on 0481 234 229 to discuss any questions you have on the project.

Kind Regards,

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6<sup>th</sup> April 2023

