

# Barneys Reef Wind Farm CCC Annual Report 2021

## Community Consultative Committee

<b>CCC / Project Name:</b>	<b>Barneys Reef Wind Farm</b>	<b>Reporting Period:</b>	<b>2022-2023</b>
<b>Independent Chairperson:</b>	<b>Garry West</b>	<b>Proponent Contact:</b>	<b>Darren Chesterfield – Community Engagement Manager, Australia</b>

### 1. Executive Summary

The Barneys Reef Wind Farm is a project seeking development approval for construction, operation and decommissioning of a wind farm with an estimated capacity of 441 megawatts (MW), a maximum of 63 turbines and a maximum height of 280 metres (to blade tip), a battery energy storage system up to 441 MW / 1764 MWh, ancillary infrastructure including access tracks, road upgrades, underground and overhead electricity cabling, substations, transmission lines and grid connection to the transmission network, 12km north of Gulgong NSW .

The Applicant RES is a large world independent renewable energy company active in onshore wind, solar, energy storage, green hydrogen, transmission and distribution and has been active in the Australian market since 2004.

The Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) were issued in September 2021 and required the establishment of a Community Consultative Committee (CCC).

A call for nominations for the CCC commenced in October 2021 and the first meeting was held in January 2022 with representatives from the Gulgong Chamber of Commerce, community representatives, Local Aboriginal Corporation, Native Title Claimants, and local councils.

The Project is located within the Central West Orana Renewable Energy Zone (CW-O REZ and will require approval to access the network.

### 2. CCC activities over 2022 and 2023

- The CCC met 4 times during 2022 and once during 2023.
- The Environmental Impact Assessment is in preparation in accordance with the requirements of the SEARs.
- The CCC was provided an update on the Central West Orana REZ in April 2022.

### 3. Key issues

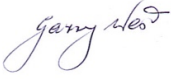
A summary of the key issues raised by the CCC are as follows:

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- Environmental impacts.
- Neighbour benefit scheme.
- Industry and Aboriginal Participation.

**4. Focus for next 12 months**

- Review progress and potential determination of the EIS.

Signature of Chair:	
Date:	3 January 2024