Windfarm



The construction of the \$18 million Wind Farm near Carcoar Dam is the largest of its type in Australia and only the second in NSW. The project consists of 15 wind turbine generators located in three groups on elevated ridges between Lake Carcoar and Mount Macquarie. The wind turbines are supported on tubular towers with a hub height of 45m and have a three bladed rotor of 47m diameter. The total wind farm capacity is 10 megawatts, which is expected to produce enough energy to supply the annual electricity usage of 3,500 average Australian homes.

Eraring Energy, owner of the wind farm, feeds all the electricity generated at Blayney into Advance Energy's transmission grid. From there it is distributed to their greenpower customers.

Blayney Shire Council has supported the development of the wind farm and recognizes that the benefits for the area will not only be environmental. The wind farm is highly visible and the site has also become a tourist attraction bringing significant economic benefits to the region. For location details and more information, download the <u>Windfarm Brochure (PDF 287.5KB)</u>.

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