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Work begins at Woolsthorpe Wind Farm

Early works will commence next week on the Woolsthorpe Wind Farm after the Minister endorsed the plans submitted by proponent Woolsthorpe Wind Farm Pty Ltd were approved this week.

The farm will have up to 20 turbines.

Director Alistair Wilson said the early works involved the construction of all weather access tracks, a site compound, on site hard stand areas, fencing of no go areas and other entry-level works.

"Work will begin on the Woolsthorpe Wind Farm after years of working through the many processes involved in developing such a project," Mr Wilson said.

"Site establishment construction works include the construction of primary site access, the hardstand area for the construction compound, permanent internal tracks, site office and amenities, security fencing and others.

"The farm is quite a small project and we look forward to its construction process having minimal impact."

Mr Wilson said the Wind Farm will be developed on a single 750 hectare farm, located about four kilometres west of the Woolsthorpe township.

The project began in 2002 when an anemometry mast was erected on the site to collect wind data. Since then there have been numerous technical and environmental studies of the site, with planning approval issued in April 2008.

Further community engagement activities are planned as construction progresses to ensure residents, business and local Government are informed of progress throughout the development and are able to offer feedback and input directly to the project management team.

"We look forward to working with the local community and bringing sustainable energy industry to the south-west region."

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