

Annual Compliance Report

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Dulacca Renewable Energy Project

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1 Introduction

The Dulacca Wind Farm Project involves the construction and operation of a wind farm consisting of 43 wind turbines. Construction on the site commenced on 5 October 2021 (commencement of the action) with all relevant plans published on the Dulacca Wind Farm website,

The major construction works for the wind farm were completed during the reporting period. Testing and commissioning are currently in progress and are nearing completion. The commencement of operations is currently scheduled for early 2024.

This Annual Compliance Report covers the reporting period between 6 October 2022 -5 October 2023. This report has been prepared by Dulacca Energy Project Co Pty Ltd (ACN 643 652 368) as per the EPBC approval granted for the Dulacca Renewable Energy Project (EPBC 2018/8368).

In accordance with the approval granted on 21 August 2020 under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Act 1999* (EPBC Act), this Annual Compliance Report has been prepared in response to Condition 27 of the approval, which states:

"The approval holder must prepare a compliance report for each 12-month period following the date of commencement of the action, or otherwise in accordance with an annual date that has been agreed to in writing by the Minister. The approval holder must:

a. publish each compliance report on the website within 60 business days following the relevant 12-month period"

1.1 EPBC Approval

Dulacca Energy Project Co Pty Ltd, as the Proponent of the Project (EPBC 2018/8368) was issued with an approval by the Department of Agriculture, Water, and the Environment (now the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water) (the Department) on the 21 August 2020. An additional variation to the approval was made on 30 July 2021, approved by the A/Assistant Secretary, which updated conditions 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10 and 11 and added conditions 25A, 25B, 25C, 25D, and 25E.



2 EPBC Conditions and Compliance

Table 1 details the Conditions attached to the Dulacca EPBC Approval (EPBC 2018/8368).

Table 1: EPBC (approval number) Conditions Compliance for Dulacca

Condition	Condition	Is the project compliant	Evidence/Comments
No.		with this condition?	
1	To minimise impacts to the Dulacca Woodland Snail, the approval holder must not clear more than a total of 1.49 hectares (ha) of Dulacca Woodland Snail habitat, and this clearing must be in the Key impact areas for Dulacca Woodland Snail habitat within the study area.	Not applicable	Dulacca Woodland Snail Habitat was demarcated prior to construction, with surveys of disturbed habitat completed post-construction. The Project minimised impacts to Dulacca Woodland Snail Habitat, with a final clearance of 0.89 ha. This is less than the allowable clearing limit of 1.49 ha, saving 0.6 ha of habitat. No additional clearance impacts on the Dulacca Woodland Snail have occurred during the reporting period; thus, the condition is not applicable.
2	The approval holder must undertake pre-clearance surveys of all areas to be cleared, to identify any protected matters, prior to undertaking clearing. All pre-clearance surveys must be undertaken by a suitably qualified ecologist and undertaken in accordance with the Department's survey guidelines.	Not applicable	Pre-clearance surveys were undertaken prior to the clearance of all areas. These surveys were undertaken by a suitably qualified ecologist. The major construction for the project has been completed, and no further clearing is required. Pre-clearance surveys are not applicable to this reporting period.



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No.		with this condition?	
3	Prior to the commencement of the action, the	Compliant	The action commenced on 5 October 2021.
	approval holder must publish a Final Layout Plan		The 'Final Project Layout Plan' was finalised on 20
	showing in detail the final layout of the action within		August 2021 and published online.
	the study area. The Final Layout Plan must specify the		https://www.dulaccawindfarm.com.au/epbc. The
	extent (in hectares) and locations of all protected		Final Project Layout Plan details the extent (in
	matters and/or their habitat. The Final Layout Plan		hectares) and location of protected matters. The Final
	must demonstrate that the proposed placement of		Project Layout Plan also demonstrates that the
	infrastructure has avoided impacts on protected		proposed infrastructure has avoided impacts on
	matters as informed by pre-clearance surveys and the		protected matters. The Final Project Layout Plan has
	advice of a suitably qualified ecologist. The Final		remained unchanged since it was published on the
	Layout Plan must remain published on the website for		Dulacca Wind Farm website and remains consistent
	the period this approval has effect.		with the published version.
4	The approval holder must not construct more than 43	Compliant	The Dulacca Wind Farm turbines have been constructed
	wind turbines within the study area. Each turbine must		as specified in the preliminary documentation.
	not exceed 250 metres (m) tip height, as specified in		
	the Preliminary documentation.		
5	The approval holder must implement the Vegetation	Compliant	Refer to the online publication of 'Vegetation and
	and Fauna Management Plan within 10 m of any area		Fauna Management Plan (Rev 4, 27 May 2021)'.
	disturbed as part of the action shown in the Final		The Vegetation and Fauna Management Plan has
	Layout Plan for the duration of this approval. In		remained unchanged during the reporting period.
	particular, the approval holder must:		The VFMP commits to ecological condition monitoring
			at a frequency of every year during construction
			(Section 6.3.2.4). Baseline ecological condition
			monitoring was undertaken prior to construction

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			activities in September 2021. A rapid ecological
			condition monitoring survey was undertaken by AECOM
			Australia Pty Ltd during construction activities in May
			2023, to monitor the presence, habitat quality,
			condition and structural integrity of key flora and
			fauna values. A full ecological condition monitoring
			survey was completed in November 2023, providing two
			surveys within two years.
	a. prior to the commencement of the action,	Not applicable	This sub-condition relates to 'prior to commencement
	undertake weed management control across all areas		of the action' and is not relevant to the reporting
	within the study area subject to disturbance;		period.
	b. during the construction, undertake weed	Compliant	Weed Management is ongoing with active engagement
	management control across all areas within the study		between the Project and landowners to ensure
	area subject to disturbance to promptly suppress		appropriate measures are undertaken.
	outbreaks;		
	c. upon the cessation of disturbance, undertake	Compliant	Disturbance has ceased with the focus now on
	weed control within disturbed areas until such time		rehabilitation, which includes weed spraying and
	that weed presence in these areas cannot be		reseeding in accordance with the Weed Management
	attributed to disturbance associated with construction		Plan and Rehabilitation Plan.
	activities; and		
	d. undertake weed management and control within	Compliant	The project is now in the testing and commissioning
	1 m of any project infrastructure at ground level for		phase, and weed management has been conducted
	the rest of the period of effect of this approval. The		under condition 5c.
	weed management and control must minimise the risk		

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	of and potential for weed cover occurring, suppress		
	any outbreak that occurs, and remove any weeds that		
	may occur.		
6	To minimise risk of injury or mortality of EPBC Act	Compliant	The 'Bird and Bat Management Plan (July 2021, Report
	listed threatened species and EPBC Act listed		No. 19130 (2.14))' has been prepared by Nature
	migratory species as a result of turbine strike within		Advisory, a suitably qualified ecologist, and has been
	the study area, the approval holder must implement		published online.
	the Bird and Bat Management Plan (BBMP) for the		A review of the BBMP was completed on 29 November
	duration of this approval. In particular, the approval		2022 (refer to condition 10), with Nature Advisory
	holder must engage a suitably qualified ecologist to		issuing a letter advising no revision was required. This
	undertake:		review, 'Bird and Bat Management Plan (30 November
			2022), is published on the project website.
	a. bird and bat utilisation surveys over a period of	Not applicable	Bird and bat utilisation surveys were completed during
	at least 24 months (or another timeframe agreed to in		the previous reporting period. The monitoring
	writing by the Department) prior to the first full		concluded that all turbines within the study area are
	operation, including at least two surveys undertaken at		considered to meet the EPBC Act approval condition
	or adjacent to survey points and reference sites (as		definition of low-risk turbines.
	identified in the BBMP) over at least one wet season		This sub-condition is not applicable to this reporting
	and one dry season in succession;		period.
	b. bird and bat utilisation surveys over a period of	Not applicable	First full operation of the Project has not commenced.
	at least 24 months commencing within 3 months after		This sub-condition is not applicable to this reporting
	first full operation, including at least one survey		period.
	undertaken at or adjacent to survey points and		

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	reference sites (as identified in the BBMP) over at least		
	two wet seasons and two dry seasons in succession; and		
	c. turbine strike monitoring in accordance with	Not applicable	First full operation of the Project has not commenced.
	the BBMP at monitoring sites identified in the BBMP,		This sub-condition is not applicable to this reporting
	and at all high-risk turbines identified as required		period.
	under condition 9, for a minimum of 24 contiguous		
	months within 30 months after first full operation.		
7	The approval holder must conduct at least one survey	Not applicable	Bird and bat utilisation surveys were completed during
	for the presence of the White-throated Needletail and		the previous reporting period. No White-throated
	Fork-tailed Swift and in respect of each species, in		Needletail and Fork-tailed Swift individuals were
	each 12-month period of bird and bat utilisation		observed during the surveys.
	surveys (as required under condition 6) during the		This sub-condition is not applicable to this reporting
	migratory periods of the White-throated Needletail and		period.
	Fork-tailed Swift.		
8	The approval holder must report on the results of the	Compliant	The results of the bird and bat utilisation surveys were
	bird and bat utilisation surveys required under		reported in the previous annual compliance report.
	condition 6 in each annual compliance report required		Since the previous annual compliance report, no new
	under condition 27 until all bird and bat utilisation		surveys have been conducted, as the first full operation
	surveys have been completed and so reported.		has not yet commenced.
			The findings of incidental searches are reported under
			condition 11.

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			The findings remain consistent with the previous
			conclusions of the Bird and Bat Utilisation Survey
			Reports, refer to condition 6a.
9	To inform turbine strike monitoring, the approval	Compliant	Nature Advisory was engaged as a suitably qualified
	holder must engage a suitably qualified ecologist to:		ecologist.
	a. assign a risk profile to each turbine within the	Compliant	
	study area prior to first full operation using the results		A letter was sent to RES Australia on 29 November 2022
	of the bird and bat utilisation surveys required under		from Nature Advisory (Ecologist) confirming that no
	condition 6(a); and		bird species listed as threatened or migratory under
			the EPBC Act were recorded during the two years of
			pre-operational BUS, and therefore all turbines are
			defined as low-risk turbines.
	b. re-assign a turbine to be a high-risk turbine	Not applicable	Refer to above comment.
	within five business days if, during the bird and bat		
	utilisation surveys required under condition 6(a), or any		
	other monitoring or incidental observation during		
	operation, one or more individual/s of an EPBC Act		
	listed threatened species or EPBC Act listed migratory		
	species is detected within the vicinity of that turbine.		
10	Upon completion of the bird and bat utilisation surveys	Compliant	A letter was sent to RES Australia on 29 November 2022
	required under condition 6, the approval holder must		from Nature Advisory (Ecologist) confirming that,
	engage a suitably qualified ecologist to revise the		following a review of the Bird and Bat Utilisation
	BBMP to include the following:		Survey Reports results, no updates to the BBMP are

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			required. This includes the risk profile and mitigation
			measures.
	a. the results of the bird and bat utilisation surveys	Compliant	Refer to above comment.
	required under condition 6;		
	b. the risk profile of each turbine within the study	Compliant	Refer to above comment.
	area; and		
	c. any additional or improved mitigation measures	Compliant	Refer to above comment.
	(including timing, frequency and longevity) that will be		
	implemented to ensure that impacts on EPBC Act		
	listed threatened species and EPBC Act listed		
	migratory species are minimised.		
	The revision of the BBMP must be completed within 3	Compliant	The Bird and Bat Utilisation Surveys were consolidated
	months of the completion of the bird and bat utilisation		into two summary reports (refer to condition 6a).
	surveys required under condition 6.		These reports were finalised in August 2022. The
			review of the BBMP was completed on 29 November
			2022, with Nature Advisory issuing a letter advising no
			revision was required
	Note: Condition 25 specifies when the revised BBMP	Not applicable	
	must be published on the website.		
11	The approval holder must implement the BBMP revised	Compliant	The relevant component of BBMP implementation
	in accordance with condition 10 from the date that the		during the reporting period relates to the
	revised BBMP is published on the website. If		commissioning period. The BBMP requires monitoring
	subsequently the BBMP is revised under s143 of the		during the commissioning phase of the project,
	EPBC Act, the approval holder must implement the		focusing on opportunistic/informal monitoring of

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	revised BBMP revised under s143 of the EPBC Act from		turbines for carcasses (incidental finds) by onsite
	the date the revised BBMP is approved by the Minister.		personnel with reporting through the incidental carcass
			find protocol.
			Dulacca Wind Farm has been monitored by onsite
			personnel during the commissioning phase of the
			project.
			The detection of incidental finds have not met the
			definition of an impact trigger under the BBMP, as
			confirmed by Nature Advisory. No detections have
			warranted regulatory actions or changes to the current
			management plan.
12	If an impact trigger is reached or exceeded, the	Not applicable	Refer to condition 11.
	approval holder must provide a report to the Minister		
	on the steps taken and outcomes of implementing the		
	relevant commitments in the adaptive management		
	framework in the first annual compliance report		
	required under condition 27 that follows each instance		
	of reaching or exceedance of an impact trigger and/or		
	the implementation of mitigation measures. Each such		
	report must include details of the mitigation measures		
	that have been or will be implemented and an		
	assessment of their likely effectiveness.		

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13	If the Minister writes to the approval holder stating	Not applicable	The Project has not reached full operation. No
	that he/she considers that the mitigation measures		correspondence has been received.
	will not prevent further reaching or exceedance of an		
	impact trigger, then the approval holder must curtail		
	the operation of any wind turbine that presents an		
	ongoing risk of reaching or exceeding an impact trigger		
	within an identified period of risk to the impacted		
	EPBC Act listed threatened species or EPBC Act listed		
	migratory species until such time as alternate		
	mitigation measures can be identified to support the		
	ongoing operation of the turbine. Where mitigation		
	measures cannot be identified, the approval holder		
	must engage a suitably qualified person to develop a		
	species-specific curtailment protocol for the turbine to		
	allow the turbine to be operated for periods outside of		
	identified period of risk to the impacted species.		
14	Any request to the Minister by the approval holder to	Not applicable	The Wind Farm has not reached full operation. No
	cease or reduce a curtailment required under condition		request has been received.
	13 must include an evidence-based assessment by a		
	suitably qualified ecologist demonstrating how the		
	ceasing or reducing of the curtailment will not		
	reasonably be expected to result in any subsequent		
	reaching or exceedance of an impact trigger.		
15	Environmental Offsets		

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	To compensate for the clearance of 1.49 ha of Dulacca	Not applicable	Refer to condition 1. The project minimised impacts to
	Woodland Snail habitat, the approval holder must:		Dulacca Woodland Snail Habitat, with a final clearance
			of 0.89 ha. 3 ha of habitat has been protected through
			the offset area, in accordance with condition 15a.
	a. secure a legal agreement with the landowner to	Not applicable	Compliance with this sub-condition achieved in the
	protect at least 3 ha of the Property Offset		previous reporting period.
	area as described in the Biodiversity Offset Plan		The landowner offset agreement was executed on
	(BOP), prior to the commencement of the action. The		27/7/21. The declaration was requested on 8 February
	approval holder must ensure the Property		2022 and received from Department of Resources on 6
	Offset area is legally secured within 6 months of the		April 2022.
	commencement of the action;		This sub-condition is not applicable to this reporting
			period.
	b. provide the Department with written evidence	Not applicable	Compliance with this sub-condition achieved in the
	demonstrating that the Property Offset		previous reporting period.
	area has been legally secured, and shapefiles of the		Written evidence was provided to the Department on
	offset attributes of the Property Offset		12 April 2022 including shapefiles.
	Area, within 20 business days of legally securing the		This sub-condition is not applicable to this reporting
	Property Offset area; and		period.
	c. allow grazing on the Property Offset	Compliant	This condition has been included in the Offset
	area only between the months of April and October in		Agreement with the Landowner.
	any year if and when grass cover exceeds 60% and 850		
	kg/ha pasture biomass and only allow low to moderate		
	grazing, for the purposes of fuel reduction. To prevent		

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	impacts to regeneration, the approval holder must not		
	allow grazing at any other time.		
16	The approval holder must implement the BOP at the	Not compliant	The BOP is being implemented at the Offset Area, with
	Property Offset area for the duration of		quarterly inspections and reporting contracting.
	the approval to restore Dulacca Woodland Snail		A non-compliance was reported to the Department on
	habitat to the BioCondition attribute targets prescribed		20 December 2022, with regards to delays in the
	within the BOP.		establishment of the fencing of the Dulacca offset
			area. As agreed with the Department, the Project is
			providing context for this non-compliance within this
			annual reporting. The establishment of the offset area
			fencing was delayed due to challenges securing a local
			contractor to complete the works. This was due to
			current market conditions and the remote nature of
			the site. Despite initial delays, a contractor was
			secured, and the fencing has now been completed in
			accordance with the requirements. Additionally, a
			contractor has been engaged to manage the offset
			area.
17	The approval holder must achieve the following	Not applicable	As year 10 has not passed, this condition was not
	BioCondition attributes across the Property		triggered in this reporting period. However, work is in
	Offset area by the end of year 10 and subsequently		progress to meet conditions.
	maintain or exceed these attributes within the		

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	benchmark for Regional Ecosystem 11.9.1 for the		
	remainder of the period of effect of the approval:		
	a. average recruitment of dominant canopy species	Not applicable	As year 10 has not passed, this condition was not
	greater than 75% of the benchmark for Regional		triggered in this reporting period. However, work is in
	Ecosystem 11.9.1;		progress to meet conditions.
	b. average native plant species richness at >25% to	Not applicable	Refer to above comment.
	90% of the benchmark for Regional Ecosystem 11.9.1;		
	c. tree canopy median height of greater than 40%	Not applicable	Refer to above comment.
	of the benchmark height (>6 m);		
	d. average tree canopy cover >50% or =200% of the	Not applicable	Refer to above comment.
	benchmark for Regional Ecosystem 11.9.1;		
	e. average native perennial grass cover at =25% or	Not applicable	Refer to above comment.
	<50% of the benchmark for Regional Ecosystem 11.9.1;		
	f. non-native plants comprise less than 5% of	Not applicable	Refer to above comment.
	vegetation cover;		
	g. the abundance of non-native species is no	Not applicable	Refer to above comment.
	greater than baseline levels; and		
	h. species stocking rate of the Dulacca Woodland	Not applicable	Refer to above comment.
	Snail increased from baseline by 50% of the modelled		
	quality scenario with offset as described in the BOP.		

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18	The approval holder must engage a suitably qualified	Not applicable	As year 5, year 10, year 15 and year 20 have not
	ecologist to complete an assessment of the		passed, this condition was not triggered in this
	Property Offset area within 3 months after the end of		reporting period. However, work is in progress to meet
	each of year 5, year 10, year 15 and year 20. Each		conditions.
	assessment must set out the opinion of the suitably		
	qualified ecologist and provide the evidence on which		
	the opinion is based, as to whether the BioCondition		
	attributes specified in the BOP in respect of the		
	particular period (including, for year 10, those		
	required under condition 17) have been achieved and,		
	in respect of subsequent periods, are likely to be		
	achieved. The findings of each assessment must be		
	published on the website within 1 month of completion		
	and provided to the Department within five (5)		
	business days of being published on the website.		
19	If any of the BioCondition attributes specified in the	Not applicable	As year 10 has not passed, this condition was not
	BOP and under condition 17 in respect of Year 10 have		triggered in this reporting period. However, work is in
	not been met at the end of Year 10, or the suitably		progress to meet conditions.
	qualified ecologist has advised that any BioCondition		
	attributes required for the subsequent periods is not		
	likely to be achieved by the end of Year 10, the		
	approval holder must, within 6 months of the end of		
	Year 10, submit a revised version of the BOP to the		
	Department for the Minister's approval, revised on the		

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	advice of the suitably qualified ecologist and		
	including:		
	a. details of the potential or actual cause(s) of the	Not applicable	Refer to above comment.
	non-achievement of required BioCondition attributes;		
	b. details of the corrective action/s that the	Not applicable	Refer to above comment.
	approval holder commits to undertake in order to		
	achieve all outstanding BioCondition attributes;		
	c. an assessment of the likely effectiveness of the	Not applicable	Refer to above comment.
	proposed corrective action/s;		
	d. proposed timeframes for reporting to the	Not applicable	Refer to above comment.
	Department the results of implementing of the		
	corrective actions; and		
	e. contingency measures that will be implemented	Not applicable	Refer to above comment.
	if monitoring suggests that the corrective action/s are		
	not being effective.		

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20	If a revised version of the BOP has not been approved	Not applicable	As year 10 has not passed, this condition was not
	by the Minister within 12 months of the end of Year		triggered in this reporting period. However, work is in
	10, the approval holder must cease the action until a		progress to meet conditions.
	revised version of the BOP is approved by the Minister.		
	Note: The Department will, within 6 weeks of receiving		
	the revised BOP, provide the approval holder written		
	comments detailing any changes that the Department		
	considers need to be made to the revised BOP before it		
	can recommend approval of the revised BOP to the		
	Minister (or delegate of the Minister).		
21	Notification of date of commencement of the action		
	The approval holder must notify the Department in	Not applicable	Compliance with this condition was achieved in the
	writing of the date of commencement of the action		previous reporting period. This condition is not
	within 10 business days after the date of		relevant to the reporting period.
	commencement of the action.		
22	If the commencement of the action does not occur	Compliant	The Dulacca Wind Farm was approved under the EPBC
	within 5 years from the date of this approval, then the		Act on 21 August 2020, and commenced on 5 October
	approval holder must not commence the action		2021 as above, therefore this is compliant.
	without the prior written agreement of the Minister.		
23	Compliance records		
	The approval holder must maintain accurate and	Compliant	RES have a Microsoft online document management
	complete compliance records.		system, standardised across their projects used to
			ensure effective record keeping and compliance.

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24	If the Department makes a request in writing, the approval holder must provide electronic copies of compliance records to the Department within the timeframe specified in the request, or another timeframe agreed to in writing by the Department subsequent to the receipt of a written request from the approval holder. Note: Compliance records may be subject to audit by the Department or an independent auditor in accordance with section 458 of the EPBC Act, and or used to verify compliance with the conditions. Summaries of the result of an audit may be published on the Department's website or through the general media.	Not applicable	No requests were received during the reporting period.
25	Preparation and publication of plans The approval holder must:	Compliant	 The following plans are required under the approval: Final Layout Plan Vegetation and Fauna Management Plan Bird and Bat Management Plan Biodiversity Offset Plan.
	a. submit plans electronically to the Department;	Compliant	The following plans have been submitted electronically to the Department: • Vegetation and Fauna Management Plan submitted 6 April 2021

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			Bird and Bat Management Plan submitted 6 April
			2021
			Biodiversity Offset Plan submitted 6 April 2021.
	b. publish each plan on the website within 20	Compliant	All plans have been published online.
	business days of the date of this approval, or of the		The BBMP has been reviewed by Nature Advisory,
	date that the plan is revised or, if required, approved		concluding that a revision is not required. The review
	by the Minister, unless otherwise agreed to in writing		has been published online, refer to, 'Bird and Bat
	by the Minister;		Management Plan (30 November 2022).
	c. exclude or redact sensitive ecological data from	Compliant	Sensitive ecological data has been redacted from plans
	plans published on the website or provided to a		prior to them being published on the website.
	member of the public; and		
	d. keep plans published on the website until the end	Compliant	Plans remain published on the website.
	date of this approval.		
25A	The approval holder may choose to revise an action	Not applicable	Condition 5 refers to the Vegetation and Fauna
	management plan approved by the Minister under		Management Plan.
	condition 5, or as subsequently revised in accordance		No revision to Vegetation and Fauna Management Plan
	with these conditions, without submitting it for		took place during the reporting period
	approval under section 143A of the EPBC Act, if the		
	taking of the action in accordance with the RAMP would		
	not be likely to have a new or increased impact.		
25B	If the approval holder makes the choice under	Not applicable	No revision to Vegetation and Fauna Management Plan
	condition 25A to revise an action management plan		took place during the reporting period
	without submitting it for approval, the approval holder		
	must:		

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	a. notify the Department in writing that the	Not applicable	Refer to above comment.
	approved action management plan has been revised		
	and provide the Department with:		
	i. an electronic copy of the RAMP	Not applicable	Refer to above comment.
	ii. an electronic copy of the RAMP marked up	Not applicable	Refer to above comment.
	with track changes to show the differences between		
	the approved action management plan and the RAMP		
	iii. an explanation of the differences between	Not applicable	Refer to above comment.
	the approved action management plan and the RAMP		
	iv. the reasons the approval holder considers	Not applicable	Refer to above comment.
	that taking the action in accordance with the RAMP		
	would not be likely to have a new or increased impact		
	v. written notice of the date on which the	Not applicable	Refer to above comment.
	approval holder will implement the RAMP (RAMP		
	implementation date), being at least 20 business days		
	after the date of providing notice of the revision of the		
	action management plan, or a date agreed to in writing		
	with the Department.		
	b. subject to condition 25D, implement the RAMP	Not applicable	Refer to above comment.
	from the RAMP implementation date.		
25C	The approval holder may revoke their choice to	Not applicable	No revision to Vegetation and Fauna Management Plan
	implement a RAMP under condition 25A at any time by		took place during the reporting period
	giving written notice to the Department. If the		
	approval holder revokes the choice under condition		

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	25A, the approval holder must implement the action		
	management plan in force immediately prior to the		
	revision undertaken under condition 25A.		
25D	If the Minister gives a notice to the approval holder	Not applicable	No notice has been received.
	that the Minister is satisfied that the taking of the		
	action in accordance with the RAMP would be likely to		
	have a new or increased impact, then:		
	a. condition 25A does not apply, or ceases to	Not applicable	No notice has been received.
	apply, in relation to the RAMP		
	b. the approval holder must implement the action	Not applicable	No notice has been received.
	management plan specified by the Minister in the		
	notice.		
25E	At the time of giving the notice under condition 25D,	Not applicable	No notice has been received.
	the Minister may also notify that for a specified period		
	of time, condition 25A does not apply for one or more		
	specified action management plans.		
	Note: conditions 25A, 25B, 25C and 25D are not	Not applicable	No notice has been received.
	intended to limit the operation of section 143A of the		
	EPBC Act which allows the approval holder to submit a		
	revised action management plan, at any time, to the		
	Minister for approval.		
26	The approval holder must ensure that any monitoring	Compliant	Monitoring data, surveys and other spatial data have
	data (including sensitive ecological data), surveys,		been submitted as part of the plans discussed in
	maps, and other spatial and metadata required under a		condition 25a and published online. Separate
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	plan and conditions of this approval, is prepared in		submissions to the Department, including sensitive
	accordance with the Department's Guidelines for		ecological data, have not been required.
	biological survey and mapped data (2018) and		
	submitted electronically to the Department in		
	accordance with the requirements of the plan and		
	conditions.		
27	Annual compliance reporting		
	The approval holder must prepare a compliance report	Compliant	A compliance report was prepared for the period 5
	for each 12-month period following the date of		October 2021 to 6 October 2022, covering the 12 month
	commencement of the action, or otherwise in		period following the date of commencement of the
	accordance with an annual date that has been agreed		action.
	to in writing by the Minister. The approval holder		This report has been prepared to satisfy this condition
	must:		for the subsequent 12 month period, covering the
			reporting period of 6 October 2022 - 5 October 2023. It
			will be published on the Dulacca Wind Farm website.
			This is required to be compliant with this condition.
	a. publish each compliance report on the website	Compliant	The previous compliance report was published on 22
	within 60 business days following the relevant 12-		December 2022, within the required 60-day period.
	month period;		
			The 12-month period associated with this report ended
			on 5 October 2023. Therefore, following 60 business
			days, the report publication due date is 2 January
			2024. This is required to be compliant with this
			condition.

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No.		with this condition?	
	b. notify the Department by email that a	Compliant	The Department was notified by email within 5 days of
	compliance report has been published on the website		the 2022 compliance report being published.
	and provide the weblink for the compliance report		
	within five business days of the date of publication;		
	c. keep all compliance reports publicly available	Compliant	The previous compliance report remains publicly
	on the website until this approval expires;		available on the website.
	d. exclude or redact sensitive ecological data from	Not applicable	There is no sensitive ecological data included in the
	compliance reports published on the website; and		compliance report.
	e. where any sensitive ecological data has been	Not applicable	As per Condition 27 d
	excluded from the version published, submit the full		
	compliance report to the Department within 5		
	business days of publication.		
	Note: Compliance reports may be published on the		
	Department's website.		
28	Reporting non-compliance		
	The approval holder must notify the Department in	Compliant	A non-compliance was reported to the Department on
	writing of any: incident; non-compliance with the		20 December 2022, with regards to delays in the
	conditions; or non-compliance with the commitments		establishment of the fencing of the Dulacca offset
	made in plans. The notification must be given as soon		area. Refer to condition 16.
	as practicable, and no later than two business days		
	after becoming aware of the incident or non-		
	compliance. The notification must specify:		
	a. any condition which is or may be in breach;	Compliant	Refer to above comment

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	b. a short description of the incident and/or non-	Compliant	Refer to above comment
	compliance; and		
	c. the location (including co-ordinates), date, and	Compliant	Refer to above comment
	time of the incident and/or non-compliance. In the		
	event the exact information cannot be provided,		
	provide the best information available.		
29	The approval holder must provide to the Department	Compliant	Refer to condition 28
	the details of any incident or non-compliance with the		
	conditions or commitments made in plans as soon as		
	practicable and no later than 10 business days after		
	becoming aware of the incident or non-compliance,		
	specifying:		
	a. any corrective action or investigation which the	Compliant	Refer to above comment
	approval holder has already taken or intends to take in		
	the immediate future;		
	b. the potential impacts of the incident or non-	Compliant	Refer to above comment
	compliance; and		
	c. the method and timing of any remedial action	Compliant	Refer to above comment
	that will be undertaken by the approval holder.		
30	Independent audit		
	The approval holder must ensure that independent	Not applicable	No request has been made for an independent audit
	audits of compliance with the conditions are conducted		
	as requested in writing by the Minister.		
31	For each independent audit, the approval holder must:		

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	a. provide the name and qualifications of the	Not applicable	Refer to Condition 30
	independent auditor and the draft audit criteria to the		
	Department;		
	b. only commence the independent audit once the	Not applicable	Refer to Condition 30
	audit criteria have been approved in writing by the		
	Department; and		
	c. submit an audit report to the Department within	Not applicable	Refer to Condition 30
	the timeframe specified in the approved audit criteria.		
32	The approval holder must publish the audit report on	Not applicable	Refer to Condition 30
	the website within 10 business days of receiving the		
	Department's approval of the audit report and keep		
	the audit report published on the website until the end		
	date of this approval.		
33	Completion of the action	Not applicable	The action has not been completed.
	Within 30 business days after the completion of the		
	action, the approval holder must notify the		
	Department in writing and provide completion data.		

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3 New Environmental Risks

The project has transitioned from construction to testing and commissioning. Although no new environmental risks have been identified during the reporting period, the following provides a summary of focus areas for the project over the next reporting period:

- Additional weed management activities to control Buffel grass, Green panic, and Scotch thistle (where necessary) aligned with the VFMP.
- Ongoing rehabilitation activities aligned with the VFMP.
- Ongoing monitoring activities in line with the requirements of the BBMP.

During the next reporting period, Dulacca will be transitioning into the operational phase of the Project. The operational phase is considered to present lowered environmental risk as construction and vegetation clearing activities will have ceased.