

*Strzelecki Sustainable Futures is calling for people to make positive submissions which will fall under other submissions, not objections. Make it really clear that your submission is in support of the project. If there are specific issues you want to see addressed, you could say 'yes I support it for all these reasons, but I also want to see XXXX' It is important that the Minister hears the positives.*

### ***KEY Points for your personal submission:***

- Emphasise your Support for the windfarm.
- Make it Personal (eg. I live within 5ks, concerns about climate change).
- Keep it Positive (eg. A Renewables project that advantages the Latrobe Valley as it transitions from coal).
- You can state that you have no objection but you also want to see 'XXXX' (eg. wildlife corridors, or offsets of areas that have already been identified for protection or koala habitat).
- Submissions can be short.
- Public Submissions are now open, and you have until **5pm on the 18<sup>th</sup> August** to respond.
- Your submission must be in writing and is publicly available with your name.
- Anyone who makes a submission on the proposal will be asked if they wish to be heard at the public panel hearing that is scheduled for two weeks commencing on October 18, 2021.
- Unless you specify which planning permit application your submission relates to, it will be assumed that it relates to all four applications for Delburn Wind Farm & terminal Station.
- Send your submission to the responsible authority (Minister for Planning)-

Email:	<a href="mailto:Development.Approvals@delwp.vic.gov.au">Development.Approvals@delwp.vic.gov.au</a>
Post:	PO Box 500, East Melbourne VIC 8002

You can also send it to:

- Local Council CEO and Councillors.
- Latrobe City Listening post: [Delburnwindfarmsubmissions@latrobe.vic.gov.au](mailto:Delburnwindfarmsubmissions@latrobe.vic.gov.au)
- State and Federal MPs.

### Include General Points on the Advantages of this project.

- Pine plantation placement – no effect on agricultural or other uses. Large size of turbines make it viable to be above the trees.
- Connection to grid onsite that has heaps of capacity since Hazelwood closed down.
- Enough wind and a different profile to complement western Victorian wind farms.
- Energy for 135,000 average Victorian homes each year – which is about the size of the community of the Latrobe Valley.
- This energy production equates to an annual saving of 640,000 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions each year.
- A significant contribution to reducing global heating.
- Helps clean up the air pollution in Latrobe Valley where people have borne the brunt of coal.
- Limited areas of native vegetation within the site. Vegetation offsets in the local area will effectively protect local flora and fauna.
- Largely using existing access roads so little loss of native vegetation or impact on wildlife.
- New jobs and new form of energy production for the area.
- Realistic job estimates – 24 ongoing jobs.
- Osmi has conducted Best Practice Community engagement that started early (March 2019).

- Project revisions have reflected community concerns.
- Few houses within 1.5ks so most well outside minimum distance.
- All noise modelling shows impacts in houses are under 36 db.
- Lots of visual and audio descriptions have been given to people within impact zone and DWF will provide landscape mitigation options.
- Co-investment from community is being encouraged.
- Rates in lieu for local government provides community wide benefits.
- OSMI is following all legal, administrative, technical and environmental requirements.
- Comprehensive bushfire assessment has said it will not increase risk of fire or limit firefighting.