

# Apply for a planning permit

## Before you start

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Department  
of Transport  
and Planning

### Are you in the right place?

Only applications where the [Minister for Planning is the responsible authority](#) are to be lodged through this portal.

Check the schedule to Clause 72.01 of your [local planning scheme](#) to see which responsible authority issues planning permits for your location.

### You will need these documents to submit this application:

- A full, current copy of title information for each individual parcel of land forming the subject site.
- A plan of existing conditions.
- Plans showing the layout and details of the proposal.
- Any information required by the planning scheme, requested by DTP or outlined in a DTP planning permit checklist.
- If required, a description of the likely effect of the proposal.
- If applicable, a current Metropolitan planning Levy certificate.

Fees will apply for this application - [find out about fees for planning applications](#). You need to pay all fees or request a fee waiver before you submit. We accept Credit Card payments online and support EFT payments.

This application will automatically save as you enter information.

## Contact details

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### Applicant details

Is the applicant a person or organisation?

Organisation

Organisation name

MHWF Nominees Pty Ltd

Business phone number

+61 432 423 409

Email

[laura.jeffrey@squadronenergy.com](mailto:laura.jeffrey@squadronenergy.com)

Address type

Street address

Street address

**Unit type**

**Unit number**

**Level number**

**Site or building name**

**Street number** 171-173

**Street name** Mounts Bay Road

**Suburb** Perth

**Postcode** 6000

**State** WA

## Owner details

**The owner is the applicant** Yes

## Preferred Contact

**First name** Matthew

**Last name** Frame

**Mobile** 0414803023

**Work phone**

**Organisation** Umwelt

**Job title** Environmental Consultant

**Email** mframe@umwelt.com.au

**Address type** Street address

**Street address**

**Unit type**

**Unit number**

**Level number** 27

**Site or building name**

**Street number** 530

**Street name** Collins Street

**Suburb** Melbourne

**Postcode** 3000

**State** VIC

## Pre-application meeting details

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**Have you submitted a pre-application meeting request already for this site?** Yes

**Enter the pre-application number** PPA-1412

## Land details

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**Planning scheme** Corangmite

At least one location must be provided to submit this form. Options for defining locations are described below:

- **Auto-populate using land titles:** Street addresses are extracted from uploaded land titles (lot on plan and crown allotments are not supported by this feature).
- **Map interface:** Specify up to 300 properties and parcels using search, select and/or a GIS shapefile.
- **Manual entry:** Use this when other methods fail. Locations are accepted as entered and are not system validated.

## Upload and scan land titles to automatically populate street addresses

### 1. Upload documents

### 2. Scan uploaded documents

- Detected street addresses will be added to the list below.

- You must check and confirm address details are correct.
- Documents are only scanned once. If additional documents are uploaded after a scan, only new documents will be scanned.
- Scanning of documents can take a few minutes to process. You will be unable to edit your application until this process has completed.

## Scan results

### Manual location details

It is strongly recommended that you use the map to search and select locations for land related to this request. Manually entering or editing locations could cause delays in your request processing if that location cannot be found.

## Application details

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### Describe your proposal

The Moreton Hill Wind Farm (the Project) consists of a wind farm, battery energy storage system (BESS), onsite substation and an underground transmission line. Once completed, the wind farm would accommodate up to 62 wind turbine generators (WTGs) with an estimated installed generating capacity of 421 megawatts (MW). The BESS would have a 100 MW / 4 hr storage capacity and would enable the Project to store, and dispatch scheduled and reliable energy to the National Electricity Market (NEM). The Project would connect into the NEM via a 15 km underground transmission line connecting the onsite substation to the Berrybank Terminal Station. The Project Site is located approximately 35 kilometres (km) south-west of Ballarat, on the lands of the Wadawurrung Traditional Owners, and within both the Corangamite Shire and Golden Plains Shire local government areas. The Project Site is located within the proposed Central Highlands Renewable Energy Zone (REZ) as identified by VicGrid in its 2025 Victorian Transmission Plan (VTP). Construction is planned to commence in 2027 and is anticipated to take 1–3 years based on infrastructure combinations and resourcing. The anticipated operational life of the Project is approximately 30 years.

### Is this application a combined S96A application (i.e. a combined amendment and planning permit application)?

No

### What is the application trigger?

53.22

### Please select the application category

Native vegetation removal  
Signage  
Other

### Enter the estimated cost of any development for which the permit is required

\$1,500,000,000

**Is there a metropolitan planning levy requirement?** No

**What is the current land use?** Agriculture

**Describe how the land is used and developed now** Land located within and surrounding the Project Site is predominantly associated with agricultural practices, primarily used for dryland mixed farming of sheep, as well as cattle grazing and cropping. Terrain across the Project Site is generally flat with no substantial changes in elevation, which allows for efficient and optimal harvest of wind energy. The Project Site has predominantly been cleared or modified by agricultural practices. This has resulted in much of the native vegetation within private land being removed, with native vegetation predominantly restricted to roadsides or isolated clusters. The area has a relatively low population density, resulting in suitable distances between Project infrastructure and dwellings to minimise potential amenity impacts.

**Does this application look to change or extend the use of this land?** Yes

**What is the proposed land use?** Energy Generation Facility

**Energy type** Battery  
Powerline  
Wind

**What is the renewable project name?** Moreton Hill Wind Farm

**Generated capacity (MW)** 421

**Storage capacity (MW)** 100

**Is the site within an irrigation district declared under Part 6A of the Water Act 1989?** No

Please ensure engagement with Traditional Owners of the subject land is considered and outlined in consultation plans.

**Does the proposal breach, in any way, an encumbrance on title such as a restrictive covenant, section 173 agreement or other obligation such as an easement or building envelope?** Yes

*Contact DTP for advice on how to proceed before continuing with this application*

## Additional details

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Does this application involve the creation or removal of dwellings? No

Does the application involve native vegetation removal? Yes

What is the Native Vegetation Removal Report (NVR) number?

What is the credit extract id?

Does this application involve the creation or removal of lots? No

Does the activity require preparation of a Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP)? Yes

## Supporting documents

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The following supporting documents must be submitted with this application, preferably in PDF or Word format

- A full, current copy of title information for each individual parcel of land forming the subject site.
- A plan of existing conditions.
- Plans showing the layout and details of the proposal.
- Any information required by the planning scheme, requested by DTP or outlined in a DTP planning permit checklist.
- If required, a description of the likely effect of the proposal (for example, traffic, noise, environmental impacts).
- If applicable, a current Metropolitan planning Levy certificate (a levy certificate expires 90 days after the day on which it is issued by the State Revenue Office and then cannot be used).

Supporting documents 22923\_R02\_0302\_ProjectSite\_v2.pdf

### 3D digital model

A 3D digital model will assist to clearly communicate your application's intentions and enhance the review process. We encourage and recommend submitting a 3D digital model as part of your application.

- **Mandatory** formats: **FBX, OBJ, 3DM**; Optional supplementary formats: RVT, IFC
- Triangle count under five million per development.
- Unit scale in metric.
- The maximum file size is 250 MB.

- Please refer to the [technical guidance for submission](#) to check your model meets all specifications. We will request a re-submission of the 3D digital model if the specifications are not met.
- If you are unable to submit your 3D digital model, contact [visualisation@transport.vic.gov.au](mailto:visualisation@transport.vic.gov.au) for assistance.

### 3D digital model

## Fees and payment

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### [View planning and subdivision fees](#)

#### Fee

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|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Fee type</b>        | Applications for permits under section 47 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 (regulation 9)                                                   |
| <b>Class</b>           | 16                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Fee amount</b>      | \$65,458.10                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Fee description</b> | To develop land (other than a class 8 or a permit to subdivide or consolidate land) if the estimated cost of development is more than \$50,000,000* |

#### Fee

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|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Fee type</b>        | Applications for permits under section 47 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 (regulation 9) |
| <b>Class</b>           | 1                                                                                                 |
| <b>Fee amount</b>      | \$1,496.10                                                                                        |
| <b>Fee description</b> | Use only                                                                                          |

The total amount is calculated as the highest fee plus 50% of the remainder of the fees.

|                                     |                                              |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| <b>Total amount to pay</b>          | \$66,206.15                                  |
| <b>Payment method</b>               | EFT                                          |
| <b>BSB</b>                          | 033-875                                      |
| <b>Account and reference number</b> | 170131101                                    |
| <b>EFT confirmation</b>             | I confirm that the fee has been paid via EFT |

## Submit

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**Applicant declaration**

I declare that I am or represent the applicant; that all the information in this application is true and correct; and that the owner (if not myself) has been notified of the application

**Privacy statement**

The Department of Transport and Planning (DTP) is committed to protecting personal information provided by you in accordance with the principles of the Victoria privacy laws. The information you provide will be used for the following purposes:

- correspond with you about your application
- if necessary, notify affected parties who may wish to inspect your proposal so that they can respond
- if necessary, forward your application to a referral authority.

Your contact details may be used by DTP or its contracted service providers under confidentiality agreements to survey you about your experience with DTP.

The information you provide may be made available to:

- any person who may wish to inspect your proposal until the process is concluded
- relevant officers in DTP, other Government agencies or Ministers directly involved in the planning process
- persons accessing information in accordance with the Public Records Act 1973 or the Freedom of Information Act 1982.

If all requested information is not received, DTP may be unable to process your request.

You may access the information you have provided to DTP by contacting [Development assessment](#)