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GOYDER SOUTH HYBRID RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITY – WIND FARM 1A, 10 KM SOUTH BURRA

EPBC Act Approval (2021/8958) Annual Compliance Report: 7 July 2023 – 6 July 2024

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Signed:

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Organisation: Neoen Australia Pty Ltd

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Abbreviations

ВАМР	Bird Adaptive Management Plan
СЕМР	Construction Environmental Management Plan
ha	Hectare(s)
INTG	Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia
INTG TEC OMP	Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia Threatened Ecological Community Offset Management Plan
km	Kilometre(s)
m	Metre(s)
MW	Megawatts
MWh	Megawatt hours
NEOEN	NEOEN Australia Pty Ltd
ОМР	Offset Management Plan
OTL	Overhead Transmission Line
PBTL	Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard (<i>Tiliqua adelaidensis</i>)
PBTL OMP	Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard Offset Management Plan
PBTL Research Plan	Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard Scientific Monitoring and Research Plan
SA	South Australia
TEC	Threatened Ecological Community
WTG	Wind turbine generator



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1.0 Introduction

Goyder Wind Farm 1 Pty Ltd received approval in accordance with the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) for the Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility — Wind Farm 1A, 10 km south Burra (Stage 1A) on 5 July 2022 (EPBC 2021/8958). NEOEN Australia Pty Ltd (NEOEN) is contracted by Goyder Wind Farm 1 Pty Ltd to ensure compliance with the approval, which is subject to specific conditions of approval (refer to **Appendix 1** for the approval documentation).

In particular, Condition 17 refers to annual compliance reporting, as follows:

- 17. 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.
 - b. Notify the **Department** by email that a **compliance report** has been published on the **website** and provide the weblink for the **compliance report** within 5 **business days** of the date of publication.
 - c. Keep all compliance reports publicly available on the website until this approval expires.
 - d. Exclude or redact sensitive ecological data from compliance reports published on the website.
 - e. Where any **sensitive ecological data** has been 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.

As such this document has been prepared to provide an annual **compliance report** for Stage 1A of the Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility (EPBC 2021/8958), which commenced on 7 July 2022. This is the second annual **compliance report** for Stage 1A and applies to the second 12 months of the Project, from 7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024. During this timeframe, construction works have continued on site and commissioning of some wind turbine generators (WTGs) has commenced.

A summary of the approved action and **compliance report** details is provided in **Table 1.1** on the following page.



Table 1.1 Summary of the Approved Action and Compliance Report Details.

EPBC number	2021/8958	
Project name	Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility – Wind Farm 1A, 10 km south Burra (referred to as Stage 1A).	
Approval holder	Goyder Wind Farm 1 Pty Ltd.	
Approval holder ACN / ABN	643 229 869.	
The approved action	To construct and operate up to 38 wind turbine generators and associated infrastructure as part of the Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility, approximately 10 km south of Burra, South Australia.	
Location of the Project	Approximately 10 km south of Burra, South Australia (refer to Figure 1.1).	
Person accepting responsibility for the report	Mr. Jean-Christophe Cheylus.	
Date of commencement of the action	7 July 2022.	
Annual compliance report reporting period	7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024 (inclusive).	
Date of preparation of this annual compliance report	24 September 2024.	

1.1 Project Background

NEOEN is developing the Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility (the Goyder South Project; the Project) between Burra and Robertstown in the Mid North of South Australia (SA). The Project combines wind, solar and energy storage in one integrated project and will be capable of delivering a steady, reliable, dispatchable output of power throughout the day and night. The Goyder South Project will generate more than 4,800,000 Megawatt hours (MWh) of power annually and is comprised of:

- A wind farm of up to 163 turbines with a capacity of up to 1200 Megawatts (MW), a maximum hub
 height of 121 metres (m), a maximum blade length of 78 m and an overall maximum height (tip height)
 of 199 m.
- A solar farm (across two sites) of up to 3000 hectares (ha) of solar panels with a capacity of up to 600 MW.
- An energy storage facility (lithium-ion battery) with a capacity of up to 900 MW / 1,800 MWh (2 hours).
- Associated infrastructure for connection to the electricity grid including three substations, access tracks, underground connection cabling and overhead transmission lines (OTLs).
- Permanent operations and maintenance compounds.
- Temporary construction compounds for both wind and solar components, including concrete batching plants.
- A number of meteorological masts (in addition to those already on the site) to record wind speed and other meteorological data, both pre- and post- construction.



As the Goyder South Project will total up to \$3 billion in investment, NEOEN propose to implement the Project in stages, with each stage having its own legal entity, construction contracts and financing packages. An overview of each stage currently proposed for development, along with the corresponding EPBC approvals sought and obtained is outlined in Table 1.2.

Table 1.2 Current Proposed Stages and Corresponding EPBC Approvals for the Goyder South Project

Project Stage / Proposed Action	Legal Entity	EPBC Referral Reference	EPBC Referral Decision	Date EPBC Approval Received
Stage 1A (38 WTGs and associated infrastructure)	Goyder Wind Farm 1A Pty Ltd	2021/8958	Controlled Action	5/07/2022
Stage 1B (37 WTGs and associated infrastructure)	Goyder Wind Farm 1B Pty Ltd	2021/8957	Controlled Action	15/08/2022
Common Asset (OTL	· Couder Wind Forms		Controlled Action	22/08/2022
and Substation)	Goyder Wind Farm Common Asset Pty Ltd	2021/8959	Variation of conditions attached to approval	Variation received 19/12/2022
Battery	NEOEN Australia Pty Ltd	2021/8960	Not a Controlled Action	N/A

Each of the currently proposed stages of the Project are shown in Figure 1.1. Other components of the Goyder South Project, including the remaining wind farm areas, the two solar farms, overhead transmission lines and substations are considered to be potential future stages as they are not currently commercially viable and there is currently no immediate prospect of these components / stages proceeding to construction.

As stated previously this annual compliance report is for Stage 1A of the Goyder South Project.



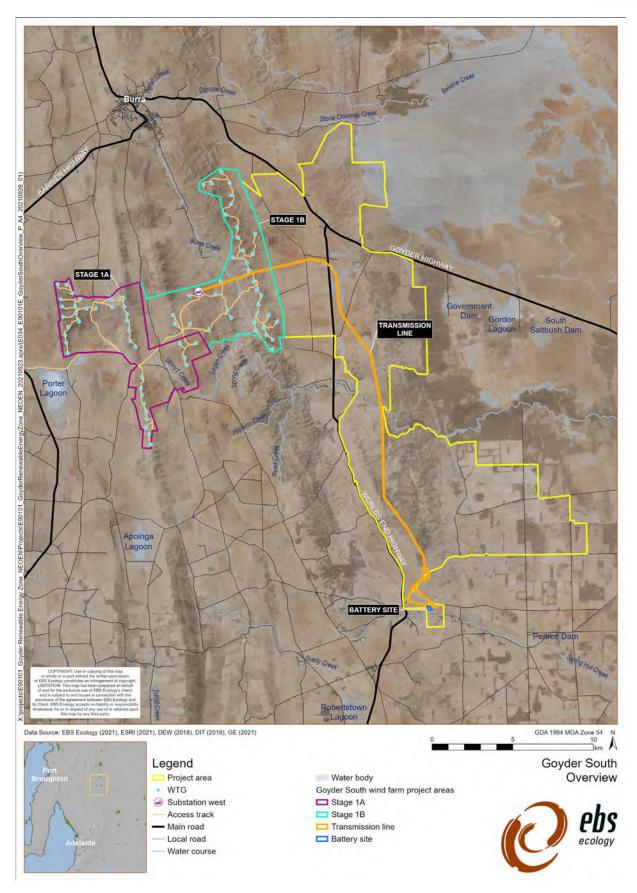


Figure 1.1 Current Proposed Stages of the Goyder South Stage 1 Project.



2.0 Compliance with Conditions of Approval

Compliance with the conditions associated with the Stage 1A EPBC approval (EPBC 2021/8958) is presented in **Table 2.1** on the following pages.

Except for one possible non-compliance, compliance has been achieved for all conditions of approval applicable to the timeframe of this annual **compliance report** (7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024), while several conditions of approval are not applicable to this annual **compliance report**.



Table 2.1 Conditions of Approval Associated with the Stage 1A EPBC Approval (2021/8958)

Condition of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
Part A – Conditions specific to the action		
Construction/clearance limits To minimise impacts to protected matters, the approval holder must not:		
a. Construct more than 38 wind turbine generators within the project area .	Compliant	The approval holder is constructing 38 wind turbine generators (WTGs) within the Stage 1A project area . Refer to Appendix 2 for a map showing the Stage 1A project area and WTGs being constructed.
b. Clear outside the project area.	Compliant	Note that the timeframe applicable to this compliance report is 7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024. The approval holder has not cleared outside the project area in the timeframe applicable to this annual compliance report (7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024).
c. Clear more than 8.04 ha of Pygmy Blue-	Compliant	The approval holder has not cleared more than 8.04 ha of Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard habitat within the Stage 1A project area . A total of 6.3025 ha of Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard habitat (PBTL habitat "Pre-EPBC Act Approval") has been cleared since commencement of the action.
tongue Lizard habitat within the project area.		A total of 0.2244 ha of PBTL habitat "Post-EPBC Act Approval" has been cleared since commencement of the action. These PBTL habitat impact figures are based on disturbance footprint spatial data (GIS shapefiles) provided by the construction contractor for clearance impacts up to 28/06/2024. As the construction contractor provides disturbance footprint spatial data after the end of each month, data provided up to 28/06/2024 is the most relevant data for the timeframe applicable to this compliance report (7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024).



Condition of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
		Refer to Appendix 2 for mapping showing Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard habitat (Pre-EPBC Act Approval) and PBTL habitat Post-EPBC Act Approval within the Stage 1A project area and impacts from construction of project infrastructure. Refer to the PBTL Management Plan for more information on PBTL habitat "Pre-EPBC Act Approval" and PBTL habitat "Post-EPBC Act Approval".
d. Clear more than 18 individual plants of Trailing Hop-bush within the project area.	Compliant	The approval holder has not cleared any individual plants of Trailing Hop-bush within the project area . Refer to Appendix 2 for mapping showing the Stage 1A project area and the Trailing Hop-bush plants within the project area .
e. Clear more than 12.67 ha of the Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia TEC within the project area.	Compliant	The approval holder has not cleared more than 12.67 ha of the Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia TEC within the Stage 1A project area. A total of 9.4142 ha of Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia TEC has been cleared since commencement of the action. This INTG TEC clearance figure (9.4142 ha) is based on disturbance footprint spatial data (GIS shapefiles) provided by the construction contractor for clearance impacts up to 28/06/2024. As the construction contractor provides disturbance footprint spatial data after the end of each month, data provided up to 28/06/2024 is the most relevant data for the timeframe applicable to this compliance report (7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024). Refer to Appendix 2 for mapping showing Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia TEC within the Stage 1A project area and impact to it from construction of project infrastructure.



Condition o	Condition of approval		Evidence / Commentary
Environmen	Environmental Management Plans		
during t wind fa the Con Plan (CE	imise impacts to protected matters the construction and operation of the arm, the approval holder must implement astruction Environmental Management EMP) as required under condition 9 of development approval.	Compliant	The approval holder has implemented the Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) required under condition 9 of the SA development approval , since the action commenced on 7 July 2022. The approval holder intends to continue to implement the CEMP for the duration of construction. The CEMP is available on the Project's website at: https://goyderenergy.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/GSWF-ELECNOR-EHS-PLN-0005-Rev-13-Construction-Environmental-Management-Plan.pdf
Lizard, t	e protection of the Pygmy Blue-tongue the approval holder must implement the Nanagement Plan for the duration of this al.	Compliant	The approval holder has implemented the PBTL Management Plan since the action commenced on 7 July 2022 and intends to continue to implement it for the duration of the EPBC approval. The PBTL Management Plan is available on the Project's website at: https://goyderenergy.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/PBTL Man Plan Final 20231130 Redacted 20240207 opt.pdf
Temper the app	e protection of the Iron-grass Natural trate Grassland of South Australia TEC, proval holder must implement the INTG anagement Plan for the duration of this ral.	Compliant	The approval holder has implemented the INTG TEC Management Plan since the action commenced on 7 July 2022 and intends to continue to implement it for the duration of the EPBC approval. The INTG TEC Management Plan is available on the Project's website at: https://goyderenergy.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/INTG TEC Man Plan Final 20220628.pdf
Bird Adaptiv	ve Management Plan		
Departr	proval holder must submit to the ment for the Minister's approval a Bird ve Management Plan (BAMP) within 12	Compliant	The approval holder submitted a Bird Adaptive Management Plan (BAMP) to the Department for the Minister's approval on 5 July 2023, within 12 months of the date of the EPBC approval (5 July 2022) (refer to Appendix 3 for submission email).



Condition of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
months of the date of this approval. The environmental objectives of the BAMP are effectively monitor for any impacts to liste		Note that the BAMP was submitted prior to the timeframe July applicable to this compliance report (7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024) but this information is included in this compliance report for context.
bird species during the operation of the w farm from (but not limited to) wind turbing	ind	The BAMP was specifically prepared to satisfy the requirements of this condition of approval.
strikes and, if any impacts are detected, to implement the technology, measures and procedures necessary to ensure that the impacts are accurately measured, reported remain insignificant.		The approval holder received feedback from the Department on the BAMP and revised the BAMP to address the Department's feedback. The final version of the BAMP (version 5, dated 24/01/2024) was approved by the Minister on 23 February 2024 (refer to Appendix 4 for details).
The BAMP must:		Commissioning commenced on 4 April 2024 (refer to Appendix 5 for notification to DCCEEW).
a. Be consistent with the Environmental Management Plan Guidelines.		The first Bird Utilisation Survey (BUS; a component of the Bird Monitoring Program within the BAMP) was undertaken on 19-21 December 2023. As such, the approval holder commenced implementing
 Specify relevant protected matters, and reference to the EPBC Act approval condit to which the BAMP refers. 	ions	the approved BAMP prior to commissioning. Furthermore, the approval holder intends to continue implementing the approved BAMP until completion of the action.
c. Include a table of commitments to achieve	e the	Subsequent BUS were undertaken on 5-7 June 2024 and 22-24 July 2024.
BAMP's environmental objectives and a reference to where the commitments are detailed in the BAMP.		The first WTG collision monitoring survey (a component of the Bird Monitoring Program) was undertaken on 19-21 August 2024, which is after the timeframe applicable to this compliance report (7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024), but it is mentioned here for context.
d. Include an assessment of risks to achieving		(7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024), but it is mentioned here for context.
BAMP's environmental objectives and risk management strategies that will be applied		As the BAMP has not yet been implemented for a year, preparation of the proposed BAMP
e. Include a post-commissioning long-term we turbine generator collision monitoring properties to detect and manage potential impacts to listed bird species as a result of collision, we must:	vind gram O	Monitoring and Implementation Report (or similar) is still in progress.
 i. Contain details of the nature, timing frequency of monitoring to inform progress against achieving the 	g and	



Cor			Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
		environmental outcomes and be sufficient to determine whether the BAMP is likely to achieve those environmental outcomes in adequate time to implement all necessary corrective actions;		
	ii.	Include the findings of exhaustive pre- commissioning scavenger activity and searcher efficiency trials.		
	iii.	Demonstrate how site-specific and species-specific risks and uncertainties (for example, findings of the precommissioning scavenger activity and searcher efficiency trials) have informed the design of the monitoring program.		
	iv.	Contain commitments to DNA test carcasses that cannot be otherwise identified by a suitably qualified bird expert , to undertake further periodic carcass persistence and searcher efficiency trials to check if assumptions need revision, to maximise turbine collision detection in a timely manner, and to maximise carcass detection in a timely manner.		
f)	for th	de reporting commitments and timeframes ne provision of site-specific and speciesific information, which must: Contain annual turbine strike reports comprising raw data and strike notifications, survey methodologies, results of detection/persistence trials,		



Coi	Condition of approval		Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
		environmental/meteorological conditions, and associated statistical analysis.		
	ii.	Contain estimation of annual mortality rate for each listed bird species comprising supporting evidence from case studies of listed bird species carcass size classes, results of persistence trials and searcher efficiency trials, annual probability of detection and monthly strike monitoring, and collision monitoring protocol and survey effort.		
	iii.	Contain species occurrence records prepared in accordance with the Guidelines for Biological Survey and Mapped Data.		
g)		de an adaptative management framework ned to:		
	i.	Ensure that no significant impacts to listed bird species are likely to occur as a result of the action.		
	ii.	Clearly demonstrate the linkages between environmental outcomes, implementation and management measures, monitoring, reporting and investigations, and implementation of corrective actions to ensure the environmental outcomes will be achieved.		



Co	nditio	n of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
	iii.	Incorporate site-specific data collected through ongoing monitoring activities, and to take into account changes to turbine risk ratings.		
	iv.	Propose corrective actions if triggers are reached, such as bird and insect deterrents, low wind speed curtailments, wind turbine generator temporary or permanent shutdown, and/or permanent decommissioning of specific wind turbine generators.		
h)	a res with actu Dep revis by, a qual BAM	mit that, if significant impacts to listed bird cies occur, or are likely to have occurred, as sult of the action, the approval holder will, ain 3 months of becoming aware of any likely significant impact, submit to the artment for the approval of the Minister a sed BAMP responding to, and accompanied an evaluation report prepared by a suitably lified bird expert of the effectiveness of the MP in preventing significant impacts to listed species.		
the wri	BAM ting. Toleme nmiss	roval holder must not commission unless P has been approved by the Minister in The approval holder must commence enting the approved BAMP before sioning and continue implementing the d BAMP until the completion of the action .		



Condition of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
Environmental offsets		
Offset Management Plan 6. To compensate for residual significant impacts to the Pygmy Blue-tongue lizard and the Irongrass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia TEC, the approval holder must submit to the Department for the Minister's approval an Offset Management Plan (OMP) within 6 months of the date of this approval.	Compliant	The approval holder submitted a Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard Offset Management Plan (PBTL OMP) and an Iron-Grass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia Offset Management Plan (INTG TEC OMP) to the Department on 5 January 2023, within 6 months of the date of the approval (5 July 2022). Evidence of submission was provided in the previous annual compliance report (7 July 2022 to 6 July 2023). Each plan was subject to revision after feedback was received from DCCEEW. A final revised version of the PBTL OMP (version 5, dated 29/09/2023) was submitted to the
The OMP must:		Department on 29 September 2023.
a. Be consistent with the Environmental Management Plan Guidelines;		A final revised version of the INTG TEC OMP (version 5, dated 29/09/2023) was submitted to the Department on 3 October 2023.
b. Include a reference to the EPBC Act approval conditions to which the OMP refers.		Each OMP was specifically prepared to satisfy the requirements of this condition of approval.
c. Include summary information on the residual significant impacts to the Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard and the Iron-grass Natural Temperate		Neoen received Minister's approval of these plans on 29/01/2024 (refer to Appendix 6 for details).
Grassland of South Australia TEC that will be compensated for by the offset(s).		Commissioning commenced on 4 April 2024.
d. Identify a suitable environmental offset(s) to compensate for residual significant impacts to the Pygmy Blue-tongue lizard and the Irongrass Natural Temperate Grassland of South		The approval holder commenced implementing the approved OMPs on 29/01/2024 an intends to continue implementing them for the periods specified in the approved OMPs.
Australia TEC that meets the requirements of the Environmental Offsets Policy to the		A baseline survey was undertaken as part of the PBTL OMP in the PBTL Offset Areas in 3-5 June 2024.
satisfaction of the Minister . e. Include detailed baseline habitat quality information on the proposed offset(s).		Note that as neither OMP has been implemented for 12 months yet, the associated reports are still in progress.



Cor	ndition of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
f.	Commit to achievable ecological benefits and provide timeframes for their achievement.		
g.	Detail how the offset(s) will be protected, and ecological benefits maintained.		
h.	Describe the monitoring program(s) to be implemented that will determine progress towards attainment of and maintenance of the ecological benefits at the proposed offset(s), which must include:		
	 i. measurable performance indicators to monitor attainment of the ecological benefits; 		
	ii. trigger values for corrective actions; andiii. the timing and frequency of monitoring to detect trigger values and changes in the performance indicators.		
i.	Include an assessment of risks to achieving the ecological benefit(s) and what risk management strategies will be applied to address these.		
j.	Specify how and at what frequency offset(s) management results, monitoring program findings and assessments of ecological benefits will be reported to the Department and the public.		
k.	Propose corrective actions to ensure ecological benefits are attained or maintained, if trigger values are reached or performance indicators not attained.		
I.	Include links to referenced plans and applicable conditions of approval (including State approval conditions), if any.		



Condition of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
m. Specify and justify the period for which the OMP will be implemented.		
The approval holder must not commence commissioning until the OMP has been approved by the Minister in writing. The approval holder must implement the approved OMP for the period specified in the approved OMP.		
7. If the OMP (required under Condition 6) has not been approved by the Minister in writing within 18 months of the date of this approval, and the Minister notifies the approval holder that the submitted OMP is not suitable for approval, the Minister may, at least 2 months after so notifying the approval holder, approve a version of the OMP revised by the Department .	Not applicable	The OMPs (required under Condition 6) were approved by the Minister on 29/01/2024. The Minister has not notified the approval holder that the submitted OMPs are not suitable for approval. As such, this condition is not applicable.
8. The approval holder must provide written evidence to the Department that the offset site(s) required under the approved OMP has/have been acquired and secured within 12 months of the OMP approval date. The written evidence must identify the legal securing mechanism by which each offset site will be permanently protected for conservation.	Not applicable	The OMPs (required under Condition 6) were approved by the Minister on 29/01/2024. As the 12-month timeframe applies until 29/01/2025, this Condition is not applicable to this annual compliance report (7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024).
Note: The approval holder may choose to submit separate Offset Management Plans (OMPs) for the Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard and the Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia TEC instead of a single OMP.		



Condition of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
Note: The approval holder may choose to combine the OMPs required as conditions of approval for other proposed elements of the Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility for the same protected matters. In this case, the approval holder must clearly demonstrate how the offset requirement(s) for each individual proposed element is being met and identify unique offset area(s) for each approved action geospatially.		
Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard Scientific Monitoring and Research Plan 9. To monitor and better understand the potential long-term impacts to the Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard resulting from wind turbine noise, vibration and shadow flickering, the approval holder must submit to the Department for the Minister's approval a Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard Scientific Monitoring and Research Plan (PBTL Research Plan) within 12 months of the date of this approval.	Possible partial non-compliance with submission timeframe. However compliant with other aspects of this Condition.	Note that the timeframe applicable to this compliance report is 7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024. However, information prior to this timeframe is also provided for context. The approval holder did not submit a <i>Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard Scientific Monitoring and Research Plan</i> within 12 months of the date of the approval (i.e., by 5 July 2023), as the approval holder was still preparing the <i>Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard Scientific Monitoring and Research Plan</i> (also referred to as the PBTL Research Plan) with a suitably qualified researcher at the time. However, on 5 July 2023 (prior to the timeframe of this compliance report) the approval holder sought an extension to the timeframe associated with this condition of approval. Refer to Appendix 7 for correspondence regarding the request for an extension to the timeframe specified in this Condition. All of this occurred prior to the timeframe of this annual compliance report (7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024). The approval holder did not receive a formal response from the Department, prior to submitting the
The PBTL Research Plan must:		PBTL Research Plan to the Department for Minister's approval on 11 December 2023.
 a. Be prepared by a suitably qualified researcher. b. Be designed, primarily, to generate and analyse a decade of data to improve the understanding of the long-term impacts of wind turbine noise, vibration and shadow flickering on Pygmy Bluetongue Lizard. 		After receiving feedback from the Department, the approval holder submitted a revised and final version of the PBTL Research Plan to the Department for the Minister's approval on 29 January 2024. Minister's approval of the PBTL Research Plan was provided on 20 February 2024 (refer to Appendix 8 for details).
c. Clearly specify research objectives and methodologies.		



	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
 d. Specify timelines and/or milestones for delivery of findings, reports and scientific paper publication. e. Incorporate contemporary experimental design and methodologies including, but not limited to, those applied by the PBTL Recovery Team. f. Contain detailed costings and a commitment by the approval holder to fully fund at least 87 percent of the total cost of implementation of the PBTL Research Plan for at least 11 years. The approval holder must not commission unless the PBTL Research Plan has been approved by the Minister in writing. 		It is possible that the approval holder may be non-compliant with this Condition of approval, as the PBTL Research Plan has not been submitted to the Department within 12 months of the date of the approval. However, as outlined above, an extension to the timeframe for submission was sought and the approval holder submitted the PBTL Research Plan, which was approved by the Minister on 20 February 2024. The PBTL Research Plan was specifically prepared to satisfy the requirements of this condition of approval. The approval holder did not commission until 4 April 2024, which is after the PBTL Research Plan had been approved by the Minister.
 10. In relation to the PBTL Research Plan required under condition 9, the approval holder must provide to the Department: a. Signed contracts exchanged between a suitably qualified researcher and the approval holder committing both parties to implement the PBTL Research Plan within 24 months of the date of this approval. b. Reports describing the work undertaken as part of the PBTL Research Plan in each compliance report until the final assessment report of the findings of the PBTL Research Plan has been published. c. A detailed preliminary assessment report of the findings of the PBTL Research Plan within 90 months of the date of this approval. 	Compliant	EPBC 2021/8958 was approved on 5 July 2022. An extract of the signed contract exchanged between a suitably qualified researcher (Flinders University) and the approval holder committing both parties to implement the PBTL Research Plan within 24 months of the date of the approval (5 July 2022 to 4 July 2024) is provided in Appendix 9. A full copy of the signed contract has been provided to the Department separately due to confidentiality requirements. However, since the PBTL Research Plan was prepared and approved by the Minister, the landholder of the land where the research is proposed to be undertaken has informed the approval holder that they do not want any research occurring on their land. As such, the approval holder is currently investigating alternative options for the location of the research and negotiating with other landholders. Consequently, no further work has been undertaken as part of the PBTL Research Plan and the approval holder may need to revise the PBTL Research Plan. If the approval holder does need to revise the PBTL Research Plan, the approval holder will submit a revised plan to the Department for Minister's approval, in accordance with the requirements of the approval conditions. As the approval holder is still working on alternative options for the location of the research, no report describing the work undertaken as part of the PBTL Research Plan has been prepared yet.



Condition of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
d. A final assessment report of the findings of the PBTL Research Plan within 13 years of the date of this approval, and submit the findings of the PBTL Research Plan for publication in a relevant, reputable, peer-reviewed scientific journal.		The approval holder intends to provide to the Department reports describing the work undertaken as part of the PBTL Research Plan in each future compliance report until the final assessment report of the findings of the PBTL Research Plan has been published. The first report is proposed to be provided with the next annual compliance report (in September 2025). The approval holder intends to provide to the Department a detailed preliminary assessment report of the findings of the PBTL Research Plan within 90 months of the date of this approval (5 July 2022), which equates to 4 January 2030 – or, if the PBTL Research Plan is revised as outlined above, then
		this timeframe may be adjusted. The approval holder intends to provide to the Department a final assessment report of the findings of the PBTL Research Plan within 13 years of the date of this approval (5 July 2022), which equates to 4 July 2035 – or, if the PBTL Research Plan is revised as outlined above, then this timeframe may be adjusted. The approval holder intends to submit the findings of the PBTL Research Plan for publication in a relevant, reputable, peer-reviewed scientific journal.
Part B – Standard administrative conditions		
Notification of date of commencement of the action		
11. The approval holder must notify the Department in writing of the date of commencement of the action and the date of commissioning within 10 business days after the date of commencement of the action and after the date of commissioning.	Compliant	NEOEN (on behalf of the approval holder) notified the Department in writing on 6 July 2022 of the date of commencement of the action , 1 business day prior to the date of commencement of the action (7 July 2022). Refer to Appendix 10 for correspondence regarding commencement of the action . NEOEN (on behalf of the approval holder) notified the Department in writing on 8 April 2024 of the date of commencement of commissioning , (4 April 2024) 2 business days after the date of commissioning (4 April 2024) (refer to Appendix 5 for details).



Condition of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
12. If the commencement of the action does not occur within 5 years from the date of this approval, then the approval holder must not commence the action without the prior written agreement of the Minister.	Not applicable	Commencement of the action occurred on 7 July 2022. As commencement of the action occurred within 5 years from the date of the approval (5 July 2022), this condition is not applicable.
Compliance records		
13. The approval holder must maintain accurate and complete compliance records .	Compliant	The approval holder is maintaining accurate and complete compliance records.
14. 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.	Compliant	The Department commenced an audit of the action in April 2024 and requested information from the approval holder on 22 May 2024. The approval holder responded to the Department on 6 June 2024 and the Department requested further information on 15 August 2024 (after the timeframe applicable to this annual compliance report (7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024)).
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.		The approval holder intends to continue to provide electronic copies of compliance records to the Department within the timeframe specified in any request.
Submission and publication of plans		
The approval holder must: a. Submit plans electronically to the Department for approval by the Minister.	Compliant	The Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP), PBTL Management Plan, and INTG TEC Management Plan were provided to the Department as part of the Preliminary Documentation during the EPBC referral assessment process.
b. Unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Minister, publish each plan on the website within 20 business days of the date:		The CEMP is available on the Project's website at: https://goyderenergy.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/GSWF-ELECNOR-EHS-PLN-0005-Rev-13-Construction-Environmental-Management-Plan.pdf



Condition of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
 of this approval decision if the version of the plan to be implemented is specified in these conditions; 		The PBTL Management Plan is available on the Project's website at: https://goyderenergy.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/PBTL Man Plan Final 20231130 Redacted 20240207 opt.pdf
 ii. the plan is approved by the Minister if these conditions require that the plan be approved by the Minister; or iii. the plan is approved by a responsible State minister of State authority if the plan is required as part of the SA development approval; iv. a revised action management plan is submitted to the Minister or the Department if the plan is submitted in 		The INTG TEC Management Plan is available on the Project's website at: https://goyderenergy.com.au/wp- content/uploads/2023/01/INTG TEC Man Plan Final 20220628.pdf The PBTL OMP is available on the Project's website at: https://goyderenergy.com.au/wp- content/uploads/2024/02/EX220805 PBTL OMP v5 20230929 Redacted 20240214 opt.pdf The INTG TEC OMP is available on the Project's website at:
accordance with condition 23; c. Exclude or redact sensitive ecological data from plans published on the website or provided to a member of the public. d. Keep plans published on the website until the end date of this approval.		https://goyderenergy.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/INTG-TEC-OMP_v5_20230929-final.pdf The approval holder intends to keep these plans published on the Project's website until the end date of the EPBC approval.
16. The approval holder must ensure that any monitoring data (including sensitive ecological data), surveys, maps, and other spatial and metadata required under a plan is prepared in accordance with the Guidelines for biological survey and mapped data, Commonwealth of Australia (2018), and submitted electronically to the Department in accordance with the requirements of the plan.	Compliant	The approval holder intends to ensure that monitoring data (including sensitive ecological data), surveys, maps, and other spatial and metadata required under a plan (such as the PBTL OMP and INTG TEC OMP) is prepared in accordance with the <i>Guidelines for biological survey and mapped data</i> , Commonwealth of Australia (2018), and submitted electronically to the Department in accordance with the requirements of the plans . At this stage, only baseline data has been collected for the PBTL Offset Areas. This data will be prepared in accordance with the <i>Guidelines for biological survey and mapped data</i> , Commonwealth of Australia (2018), and submitted to the Department in accordance with the requirements of the PBTL OMP.



Condition of appro	oval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
Annual compliance	e reporting		
report for eac date of comm otherwise in a that has been	holder must prepare a compliance th 12 month period following the encement of the action, or accordance with an annual date agreed to in writing by the approval holder must:	Compliant	The action commenced on 7 July 2022. This document is the second annual compliance report for Stage 1A and covers the second 12 month period following the date of commencement of the action, from 7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024.
website v	ach compliance report on the within 60 business days following ant 12 month period.	Compliant	This annual compliance report will be published on the Project's website within 60 business days following the second 12 month period, which equates to 27 September 2024. This annual compliance report will be available at the following website page: https://goyderenergy.com.au/documents/
complian the webs complian	e Department by email that a ce report has been published on ite and provide the weblink for the ce report within 5 business days te of publication.	Compliant	NEOEN will notify the Department by email that this compliance report has been published on the Project's website and provide the weblink for the compliance report within 5 business days of the date of publication (which equates to 4 October 2024).
1	ompliance reports publicly on the website until this approval	Compliant	NEOEN will keep all compliance reports publicly available on the Project's website until the EPBC Act approval expires, which is 31 December 2057.
•	or redact sensitive ecological data appliance reports published on the	Compliant	Sensitive ecological data will be excluded or redacted from compliance reports published on the Project's website.



Condition of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
e. Where any sensitive ecological data has been excluded from the version published, submit the full compliance report to the Department within 5 business days of publication.	Compliant	The full compliance report containing sensitive ecological data will be submitted to the Department within 5 business days of publication (which equates to 4 October 2024).
Note: Compliance reports may be published on the Department's website.		Noted.
Reporting non-compliance		
 18. The approval holder must notify the Department in writing of any: incident; noncompliance with the conditions; or noncompliance with the commitments made in plans. The notification must be given as soon as practicable, and no later than 2 business days after becoming aware of the incident or noncompliance. The notification must specify: a. Any condition which is or may be in breach. b. A short description of the incident and/or non-compliance. c. The location (including co-ordinates), date, and time of the incident and/or noncompliance. In the event the exact information cannot be provided, provide the best information available. 	Not applicable	No incident; non-compliance with the conditions; or non-compliance with the commitments made in plans have been identified for the timeframe applicable to this annual compliance report (7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024). As such, this condition is not applicable to this annual compliance report.



Condition of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
19. The approval holder must provide to the Department the details of any incident or noncompliance 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:	Not applicable	As no incident; non-compliance with the conditions; or non-compliance with the commitments made in plans have been identified for the timeframe applicable to this annual compliance report (7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024), this condition is not applicable to this annual compliance report .
 Any corrective action or investigation which the approval holder has already taken or intends to take in the immediate future. 		
 The potential impacts of the incident or non-compliance. 		
 The method and timing of any remedial action that will be undertaken by the approval holder. 		
Independent audit		
20. The approval holder must ensure that independent audits of compliance with the conditions are conducted as requested in writing by the Minister.	Not applicable	No independent audit of compliance with the conditions has been requested in writing by the Minister .



Condition of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
 21. For each independent audit, the approval holder must: a. Provide the name and qualifications of the independent auditor and the draft audit criteria to the Department. b. Only commence the independent audit once the audit criteria have been approved in writing by the Department. c. Submit an audit report to the Department within the timeframe specified in the approved audit criteria. 	Not applicable	Not applicable for this annual compliance report.
22. The approval holder must publish the audit report on 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.	Not applicable	Not applicable for this annual compliance report.
Revision of action management plans		
23. The approval holder may, at any time, apply to the Minister for a variation to an action management plan approved by the Minister or as subsequently revised in accordance with these conditions, by submitting an application in accordance with the requirements of section 143A of the EPBC Act. If the Minister approves a revised action management plan (RAMP) then, from the date specified, the approval holder must implement the RAMP in place of the previous action management plan.	Not applicable	This document is the second annual compliance report for Stage 1A and covers the second 12 month period following the date of commencement of the action, from 7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024. The approval holder did not apply to the Minister for a variation to an action management plan approved by the Minister , within the second 12 month period following the date of the commencement of the action (7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024), so this condition of approval is not applicable.



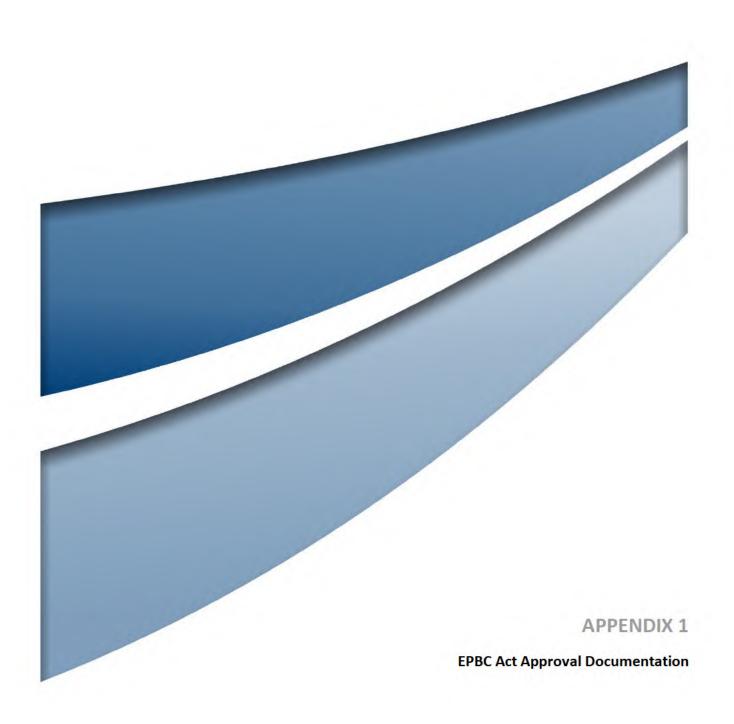
Condition of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
24. The approval holder may choose to revise an action management plan approved by the Minister under conditions 3 and 4, or as subsequently revised in accordance with these conditions, without submitting it for 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.	Not applicable	This document is the second annual compliance report for Stage 1A and covers the second 12 month period following the date of commencement of the action, from 7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024. The approval holder has not revised an action management plan approved by the Minister , within the second 12 month period following the date of the commencement of the action (7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024), so this condition of approval is not applicable.
 25. If the approval holder makes the choice under condition 24 to revise an action management plan without submitting it for approval, the approval holder must: a. Notify the Department in writing that the approved action management plan has been revised and provide the Department with: i. An electronic copy of the RAMP; ii. An electronic copy of the RAMP marked up with track changes to show the differences between the approved action management plan and the RAMP. iii. An explanation of the differences between the approved action management plan and the RAMP. 	Not applicable	Not applicable for this annual compliance report.



Condition of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
 iv. The reasons the approval holder considers 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 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 27, implement the RAMP from the RAMP implementation date. 		
26. The approval holder may revoke their choice to implement a RAMP under condition 24 at any time by giving written notice to the Department . If the approval holder revokes the choice under condition 24, the approval holder must implement the action management plan in force immediately prior to the revision undertaken under condition 24.	Not applicable	Not applicable for this annual compliance report.



Condition of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
 27. If the Minister gives a notice to the approval holder 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 24 does not apply, or ceases to apply, in relation to the RAMP. b. The approval holder must implement the action management plan specified by the Minister in the notice. 	Not applicable	Not applicable for this annual compliance report.
28. At the time of giving the notice under condition 27, the Minister may also notify that for a specified period of time, condition 24 does not apply for one or more specified action management plans.	Not applicable	Not applicable for this annual compliance report.
Note: conditions 24, 25, 26 and 27 are not 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.		Noted.
Completion of the action		
29. Within 30 days after the completion of the action, the approval holder must notify the Department in writing and provide completion data.	Not applicable	The action has not yet been completed, so this condition of approval is not applicable for this annual compliance report.



APPROVAL

Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility – Wind Farm 1A, 10km south Burra SA (EPBC 2021/8958)

This decision is made under sections 130(1) and 133(1) of the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) (the EPBC Act). Note that section 134(1A) of the EPBC Act applies to this approval, which provides in general terms that if the approval holder authorises another person to undertake any part of the action, the approval holder must take all reasonable steps to ensure that the other person is informed of any conditions attached to this approval, and that the other person complies with any such condition.

Details

Person to whom the approval is granted (approval holder)	Goyder Wind Farm 1 Pty Ltd
ACN of approval holder	643 229 869
Action	To construct and operate up to 38 wind turbine generators and associated infrastructure as part of the Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility, approximately 10 km south of Burra, South Australia [See EPBC Act referral 2021/8958].

Approval decision

My decisions on whether or not to approve the taking of the action for the purposes of each controlling provision for the action are as follows.

Controlling Provisions

Listed Threatened Species and Communities		
Section 18	Approve	
Section 18A	Approve	
Listed migratory species		
Listed migratory species Section 20	Approve	

Period for which the approval has effect

This approval has effect until 31 December 2057.

Decision-maker

Name and position	Kylie Calhoun Assistant Secretary Environment Assessments West (WA, SA, NT) Branch
Signature	Lylie Cal
Date of decision	5 July 2022

Conditions of approval

This approval is subject to the conditions under the EPBC Act as set out in ANNEXURE A.

ANNEXURE A – CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

Part A - Conditions specific to the action

Construction/clearance limits

- 1. To minimise **impacts** to **protected matters**, the approval holder must not:
 - a. **construct** more than 38 wind turbine generators within the **project area**;
 - b. clear outside the project area;
 - c. clear more than 8.04 ha of Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard habitat within the project area;
 - d. clear more than 18 individual plants of Trailing Hop-bush within the project area; and
 - e. **clear** more than 12.67 ha of the **Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia TEC** within the **project area**.

Environmental management plans

- 2. To minimise **impacts** to **protected matters** during the **construction** and **operation** of the wind farm, the approval holder must implement the Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) as required under condition 9 of the **SA development approval**.
- 3. For the protection of the **Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard**, the approval holder must implement the **PBTL Management Plan** for the duration of this approval.
- 4. For the protection of the **Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia TEC**, the approval holder must implement the **INTG TEC Management Plan** for the duration of this approval.

Bird Adaptive Management Plan

5. The approval holder must submit to the **Department** for the **Minister**'s approval a Bird Adaptive Management Plan (BAMP) within 12 months of the date of this approval. The environmental objectives of the BAMP are to effectively monitor for any **impacts** to **listed bird species** during the **operation** of the wind farm from (but not limited to) wind turbine strikes and, if any **impacts** are detected, to implement the technology, measures and procedures necessary to ensure that the **impacts** are accurately measured, reported and remain insignificant.

The BAMP must:

- a. be consistent with the **Environmental Management Plan Guidelines**;
- b. specify relevant **protected matters**, and reference to the **EPBC Act** approval conditions to which the BAMP refers;
- c. include a table of commitments to achieve the BAMP's environmental objectives and a reference to where the commitments are detailed in the BAMP;
- d. include an assessment of risks to achieving the BAMP's environmental objectives and risk management strategies that will be applied;
- e. include a post-commissioning long-term wind turbine generator collision monitoring program
 to detect and manage potential impacts to listed bird species as a result of collision, which
 must:
 - contain details of the nature, timing and frequency of monitoring to inform progress against achieving the environmental outcomes and be sufficient to determine whether the BAMP is likely to achieve those environmental outcomes in adequate time to implement all necessary corrective actions;

- ii. include the findings of exhaustive pre-**commissioning** scavenger activity and searcher efficiency trials;
- iii. demonstrate how site-specific and species-specific risks and uncertainties (for example, findings of the pre-**commissioning** scavenger activity and searcher efficiency trials) have informed the design of the monitoring program; and
- iv. contain commitments to DNA test carcasses that cannot be otherwise identified by a suitably qualified bird expert, to undertake further periodic carcass persistence and searcher efficiency trails to check if assumptions need revision, to maximise turbine collision detection in a timely manner, and to maximise carcass detection in a timely manner.
- f. include reporting commitments and timeframes for the provision of site-specific and species-specific information, which must:
 - contain annual turbine strike reports comprising raw data and strike notifications, survey methodologies, results of detection/persistence trials, environmental/meteorological conditions, and associated statistical analysis; and
 - ii. contain estimation of annual mortality rate for each listed bird species comprising supporting evidence from case studies of listed bird species carcass size classes, results of persistence trials and searcher efficiency trials, annual probability of detection and monthly strike monitoring, and collision monitoring protocol and survey effort; and
 - iii. contain species occurrence records prepared in accordance with **Guidelines for Biological Survey and Mapped Data**.
- g. include an adaptative management framework designed to:
 - i. ensure that no **significant impacts** to **listed bird species** are likely to occur as a result of the action;
 - ii. clearly demonstrate the linkages between environmental outcomes, implementation and management measures, monitoring, reporting and investigations, and implementation of corrective actions to ensure the environmental outcomes will be achieved;
 - iii. incorporate site-specific data collected through ongoing monitoring activities, and to take into account changes to turbine risk ratings;
 - iv. propose corrective actions if triggers are reached, such as bird and insect deterrents, low wind speed curtailments, wind turbine generator temporary or permanent shutdown, and/or permanent decommissioning of specific wind turbine generators; and
- h. commit that, if significant impacts to listed bird species occur, or are likely to have occurred, as a result of the action, the approval holder will, within 3 months of becoming aware of any actual or likely significant impact, submit to the Department for the approval of the Minister a revised BAMP responding to, and accompanied by, an evaluation prepared by a suitably qualified bird expert of the effectiveness of the BAMP in preventing significant impacts to listed bird species.

The approval holder must not **commission** unless the BAMP has been approved by the **Minister** in writing. The approval holder must commence implementing the approved BAMP before **commissioning** and continue implementing the approved BAMP until the **completion of the action**.

Environmental offsets

Offset Management Plan

To compensate for residual significant impacts to the Pygmy Blue-tongue lizard and the Irongrass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia TEC, the approval holder must submit to the **Department** for the **Minister's** approval an Offset Management Plan (OMP) within 6 months of the date of this approval.

The OMP must:

- a. be consistent with the **Environmental Management Plan Guidelines**;
- b. include a reference to the EPBC Act approval conditions to which the OMP refers;
- c. include summary information on the residual **significant impacts** to the **Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard** and the **Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia TEC** that will be compensated for by the offset(s);
- d. identify a suitable environmental offset(s) to compensate for residual significant impacts to the Pygmy Blue-tongue lizard and the Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia TEC that meets the requirements of the Environmental Offsets Policy to the satisfaction of the Minister;
- e. include detailed baseline habitat quality information on the proposed offset(s);
- f. commit to achievable ecological benefits and provide timeframes for their achievement;
- g. detail how the offset(s) will be protected, and ecological benefits maintained;
- h. describe the monitoring program(s) to be implemented that will determine progress towards attainment of and maintenance of the ecological benefits at the proposed offset(s), which must include:
 - i. measurable performance indicators to monitor attainment of the ecological benefits;
 - ii. trigger values for corrective actions; and
 - iii. the timing and frequency of monitoring to detect trigger values and changes in the performance indicators.
- i. include an assessment of risks to achieving the ecological benefit(s) and what risk management strategies will be applied to address these;
- j. specify how and at what frequency offset(s) management results, monitoring program findings and assessments of ecological benefits will be reported to the **Department** and the public;
- k. propose corrective actions to ensure ecological benefits are attained or maintained, if trigger values are reached or performance indicators not attained;
- I. include links to referenced **plans** and applicable conditions of approval (including State approval conditions), if any; and
- m. specify and justify the period for which the OMP will be implemented.

The approval holder must not commence **commissioning** until the OMP has been approved by the **Minister** in writing. The approval holder must implement the approved OMP for the period specified in the approved OMP.

- 7. If the OMP (required under Condition 6) has not been approved by the **Minister** in writing within 18 months of the date of this approval, and the **Minister** notifies the approval holder that the submitted OMP is not suitable for approval, the **Minister** may, at least 2 months after so notifying the approval holder, approve a version of the OMP revised by the **Department**.
- 8. The approval holder must provide written evidence to the **Department** that the offset site(s) required under the approved OMP has/have been acquired and secured within 12 months of the OMP approval date. The written evidence must identify the **legal securing mechanism** by which each offset site will be permanently protected for conservation.

Note: The approval holder may choose to submit separate Offset Management Plans (OMPs) for the **Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard** and the **Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia TEC** instead of a single OMP.

Note: The approval holder may choose to combine the OMPs required as conditions of approval for other proposed elements of the **Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility** for the same **protected matters**. In this case, the approval holder must clearly demonstrate how the offset requirement(s) for each individual proposed element is being met and identify unique offset area(s) for each approved action geospatially.

Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard Scientific Monitoring and Research Plan

9. To monitor and better understand the potential long-term impacts to the Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard resulting from wind turbine noise, vibration and shadow flickering, the approval holder must submit to the Department for the Minister's approval a Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard Scientific Monitoring and Research Plan (PBTL Research Plan) within 12 months of the date of this approval.

The PBTL Research Plan must:

- a. be prepared by a **suitably qualified researcher**;
- be designed, primarily, to generate and analyse a decade of data to improve the understanding of the long-term impacts of wind turbine noise, vibration and shadow flickering on Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard;
- c. clearly specify research objectives and methodologies;
- d. specify timelines and/or milestones for delivery of findings, reports and scientific paper publication;
- e. incorporate contemporary experimental design and methodologies including, but not limited to, those applied by the **PBTL Recovery Team**; and
- f. contain detailed costings and a commitment by the approval holder to fully fund at least 87 percent of the total cost of implementation of the PBTL Research Plan for at least 11 years.

The approval holder must not **commission** unless the PBTL Research Plan has been approved by the **Minister** in writing.

- 10. In relation to the PBTL Research Plan required under condition 9, the approval holder must provide to the **Department**:
 - a. signed contracts exchanged between a suitably qualified researcher and the approval holder committing both parties to implement the PBTL Research Plan within 24 months of the date of this approval;
 - reports describing the work undertaken as part of the PBTL Research Plan in each compliance report until the final assessment report of the findings of the PBTL Research Plan has been published;
 - c. a detailed preliminary assessment report of the findings of the PBTL Research Plan within 90 months of the date of this approval; and
 - d. a final assessment report of the findings of the PBTL Research Plan within 13 years of the date of this approval,
 - and submit the findings of the PBTL Research Plan for publication in a relevant, reputable, peer-reviewed scientific journal.

Part B – Standard administrative conditions

Notification of date of commencement of the action

- 11. The approval holder must notify the **Department** in writing of the date of **commencement of the action** and the date of **commissioning** within 10 **business days** after the date of **commencement of the action** and after the date of **commissioning**.
- 12. If the **commencement of the action** does not occur within 5 years from the date of this approval, then the approval holder must not **commence the action** without the prior written agreement of the **Minister**.

Compliance records

- 13. The approval holder must maintain accurate and complete compliance records.
- 14. 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.

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.

Submission and publication of plans

- 15. The approval holder must:
 - a. submit **plans** electronically to the **Department** for approval by the **Minister**;
 - b. unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the **Minister**, publish each **plan** on the **website** within 20 **business days** of the date:
 - i. of this approval decision if the version of the **plan** to be implemented is specified in these conditions;
 - ii. the **plan** is approved by the **Minister** if these conditions require that the **plan** be approved by the **Minister**; or
 - iii. the **plan** is approved by a responsible State minister of State authority if the **plan** is required as part of the **SA development approval**;
 - iv. a revised action management plan is submitted to the **Minister** or the **Department** if the **plan** is submitted in accordance with condition 23;
 - c. exclude or redact **sensitive ecological data** from **plans** published on the **website** or provided to a member of the public; and
 - d. keep **plans** published on the **website** until the end date of this approval.
- 16. The approval holder must ensure that any **monitoring data** (including **sensitive ecological data**), surveys, maps, and other spatial and metadata required under a **plan** is prepared in accordance with the *Guidelines for biological survey and mapped data*, Commonwealth of Australia (2018), and submitted electronically to the **Department** in accordance with the requirements of the **plan**.

Annual compliance reporting

- 17. 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;
 - notify the **Department** by email that a **compliance report** has been published on the **website** and provide the weblink for the **compliance report** within 5 **business days** of the date of
 publication;
 - c. keep all compliance reports publicly available on the website until this approval expires;
 - d. exclude or redact sensitive ecological data from compliance reports published on the website; and
 - e. where any **sensitive ecological data** has been 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.

Reporting non-compliance

- 18. The approval holder must notify the **Department** in writing of any: **incident**; non-compliance with the conditions; or non-compliance with the commitments made in **plans**. The notification must be given as soon as practicable, and no later than 2 **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;
 - b. a short description of the **incident** and/or non-compliance; and
 - the location (including co-ordinates), date, and time of the incident and/or non-compliance.
 In the event the exact information cannot be provided, provide the best information available.
- 19. The approval holder must provide to the **Department** 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 approval holder has already taken or intends to take in the immediate future;
 - b. the potential **impacts** of the **incident** or non-compliance; and
 - c. the method and timing of any remedial action that will be undertaken by the approval holder.

Independent audit

- 20. The approval holder must ensure that **independent audits** of compliance with the conditions are conducted as requested in writing by the **Minister**.
- 21. For each **independent audit**, the approval holder must:
 - a. provide the name and qualifications of the independent auditor and the draft audit criteria to the **Department**;
 - only commence the **independent audit** once the audit criteria have been approved in writing by the **Department**; and
 - c. submit an audit report to the **Department** within the timeframe specified in the approved audit criteria.
- 22. The approval holder must publish the audit report on 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.

Revision of action management plans

- 23. The approval holder may, at any time, apply to the Minister for a variation to an action management plan approved by the Minister or as subsequently revised in accordance with these conditions, by submitting an application in accordance with the requirements of section 143A of the EPBC Act. If the Minister approves a revised action management plan (RAMP) then, from the date specified, the approval holder must implement the RAMP in place of the previous action management plan.
- 24. The approval holder may choose to revise an action management plan approved by the **Minister** under conditions 3 and 4, or as subsequently revised in accordance with these conditions, without submitting it for 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**.
- 25. If the approval holder makes the choice under condition 24 to revise an action management plan without submitting it for approval, the approval holder must:
 - a. notify the **Department** in writing that the approved action management plan has been revised and provide the **Department** with:

- i. an electronic copy of the RAMP;
- ii. an electronic copy of the RAMP marked up with track changes to show the differences between the approved action management plan and the RAMP;
- iii. an explanation of the differences between the approved action management plan and the RAMP;
- iv. the reasons the approval holder considers that taking the action in accordance with the RAMP would not be likely to have a **new or increased impact**; and
- v. written notice of the date on which the 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 27, implement the RAMP from the RAMP implementation date.
- 26. The approval holder may revoke their choice to implement a RAMP under condition 24 at any time by giving written notice to the **Department**. If the approval holder revokes the choice under condition 24, the approval holder must implement the action management plan in force immediately prior to the revision undertaken under condition 24.
- 27. If the **Minister** gives a notice to the approval holder 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 24 does not apply, or ceases to apply, in relation to the RAMP; and
 - b. the approval holder must implement the action management plan specified by the **Minister** in the notice.
- 28. At the time of giving the notice under condition 27, the **Minister** may also notify that for a specified period of time, condition 24 does not apply for one or more specified action management plans.

Note: conditions 24, 25, 26 and 27 are not 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.

Completion of the action

29. Within 30 days after the **completion of the action**, the approval holder must notify the **Department** in writing and provide **completion data**.

Part C - Definitions

In these conditions, except where contrary intention is expressed, the following definitions are used:

Business day means a day that is not a Saturday, a Sunday or a public holiday in the state or territory of the action.

Clear/Clearing means the cutting down, felling, thinning, logging, removing, killing, destroying, poisoning, ringbarking, uprooting or burning of vegetation.

Commencement of the action/Commence the action means the first instance of any specified activity associated with the action including clearing and construction. Commencement of the action/Commence the action does not include minor physical disturbance necessary to:

- i. undertake pre-clearance surveys or monitoring programs;
- ii. install signage and /or temporary fencing to prevent unapproved use of the project area;
- iii. protect environmental and property assets from fire, weeds and pests, including installation of temporary fencing, and use of existing surface access tracks;

- iv. install temporary site facilities for persons undertaking pre-commencement activities so long as these are located where they have no **impact** on the **protected matters**; or
- v. undertaking geotechnical investigations if it causes only minor physical disturbance and is required well in advance of most site works to inform design.

Commission/Commissioning means all activities, including turning of turbines, after the components of the first complete wind turbine are installed. The date on which **commission/commissioning** commences is the first date on which the blades of the first completed wind turbine start rotating.

Completion data means an environmental report and spatial data clearly detailing how the conditions of this approval have been met. The **Department**'s preferred spatial data format is **shapefile**.

Completion of the action means the date on which all specified activities associated with the action have permanently ceased.

Compliance records means all documentation or other material in whatever form required to demonstrate compliance with the conditions of approval in the approval holder's possession or that are within the approval holder's power to obtain lawfully.

Compliance report(s) means written reports:

- i. providing accurate and complete details of compliance, **incidents**, and non-compliance with the conditions and the **plans**;
- ii. consistent with the *Annual Compliance Report Guidelines*, Commonwealth of Australia 2014;
- iii. include a **shapefile** of any clearance of any **protected matters**, or their habitat, undertaken within the relevant 12 month period; and
- iv. annexing a schedule of all **plans** prepared and in existence in relation to the conditions during the relevant 12 month period.

Construct/Construction means the erection of a building or structure that is or is to be fixed to the ground and wholly or partially fabricated on-site; the alteration, maintenance, repair or demolition of any building or structure; preliminary site preparation work which involves breaking of the ground (including pile driving); the laying of pipes and other prefabricated materials in the ground, and any associated excavation work; but excluding the installation of temporary fences and signage.

Department means the Australian Government agency responsible for administering the **EPBC Act**.

Environmental Offsets Policy means the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act* 1999 Environmental Offsets Policy, Commonwealth of Australia 2012, or any subsequent official revision produced by the **Department**.

EPBC Act means the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Cth).

Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility is a renewable energy development located between Burra and Robertstown in the Mid North of South Australia, and represented by the area shown enclosed by the yellow line labelled 'Goyder south Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility' on the map at <u>Attachment A</u>. The **Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility** includes, in addition to the action subject of this approval, the proposed actions described in the **EPBC Act** referrals 2021/8957, 2021/8959 and 2021/8960.

Impact (verb) means any event which has the potential to, or does, impact on one or more **protected matter**.

Incident means any event which has the potential to, or does, impact on one or more **protected matter**.

Independent audit means an audit conducted by an independent and **suitably qualified person** as detailed in the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 Independent Audit and Audit Report Guidelines*, Commonwealth of Australia 2019.

Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia TEC means the **EPBC Act** listed threatened ecological community (TEC) *Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia*.

INTG TEC Management Plan means the *Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility INTG TEC Management Plan* prepared by EBS Ecology for NEOEN Australia Pty Ltd (version 3 of 28 June 2022 or subsequent revisions thereof).

Listed bird species means all bird species listed under the **EPBC Act** as a listed threatened species or as a listed migratory species.

Monitoring data means the data required to be recorded under the conditions of this approval.

Minister means the Australian Government Minister administering the **EPBC Act** including any delegate thereof.

New or increased impact means a new or increased environmental impact or risk relating to any **protected matter**, when compared to the likely impact of implementing the action management plan that has been approved by the **Minister** under conditions 3 and 4, including any subsequent revisions approved by the **Minister**, as outlined in the *Guidance on 'new or increased impact'* relating to changes to approved management plans under EPBC Act environmental approvals, Commonwealth of Australia 2017.

Operation means all activities that occur after the components of the final wind turbine generator are installed.

Plan(s) means any of the documents required to be prepared, approved by the **Minister**, implemented by the approval holder and published on the **website** in accordance with these conditions (includes action management plans and/or strategies).

Project area means the location of the action, represented by the area shown enclosed by the dashed magenta line labelled 'Wind Farm 1A' on the maps at <u>Attachments A</u>, <u>B</u>, <u>C</u> and <u>D</u>.

Protected matter(s) means a matter protected under a controlling provision in Part 3 of the **EPBC Act** for which this approval has effect.

Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard is the **EPBC Act** listed threatened species *Tiliqua adelaidensis*.

Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard habitat means remnant native grassland or grassy woodland with a sparse overstorey of trees, represented in the map at <u>Attachment C</u> by the areas shown enclosed by the green line labelled as 'Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard habitat'.

PBTL Management Plan means the *Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility PBTL Management Plan* prepared by EBS Ecology for NEOEN Australia Pty Ltd (version 3 of 28 June 2022 or subsequent versions thereof).

PBTL Recovery Team means a collaboration of partners brought together by common objectives to develop and/or coordinate the implementation of a recovery plan, conservation advice or program for the **Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard**.

SA development approval means the approved development application number 422/V009/20 R1 (or subsequent approved revisions thereof) granted under section 131 (19) of the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* (SA) for the **Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility**.

Sensitive ecological data means data as defined in the *Sensitive Ecological Data – Access and Management Policy V1.0*, Commonwealth of Australia 2013.

Shapefile means location and attribute information of the action provided in an Esri shapefile format. Shapefiles must contain '.shp', '.shx', '.dbf' files and a '.prj' file that specifies the projection/geographic coordinate system used. Shapefiles must also include an '.xml' metadata file that describes the shapefile for discovery and identification purposes.

Significant impacts are **impacts** which are important, notable, or of consequence, having regard to their context or intensity, and assessed within the framework of the *Matters of National Environmental Significance – Significant Impact Guidelines 1.1*, Commonwealth of Australia 2013.

Suitably qualified bird expert means a person who has relevant professional qualifications and at least 3 years of work experience designing and implementing plans for the conservation management of birds, who can identify bird species, and who can give an authoritative assessment and advice practices to avoid and mitigate impacts on birds using relevant protocols, standards, methods and/or literature. If the person does not have appropriate professional qualifications, the person must have at least 10 years of work experience identifying bird species, and designing and implementing plans for the conservation management of birds.

Suitably qualified researcher means a person who has academic qualifications in ecology (or related subject areas) and training, skills and experience related to the nominated subject matter using the relevant protocols, standards, methods and/or literature, or a person who is studying to obtain academic qualifications related to the nominated subject matter (e.g., a university post-graduate student), provided they work under the supervision of a person who holds relevant academic qualifications and training, skills and substantial experience on the nominated subject matter.

Suitably qualified person means a person who has professional qualifications, training, skills and/or experience related to the nominated subject matter and can give authoritative independent assessment, advice and analysis on performance relative to the subject matter using the relevant protocols, standards, methods and/or literature.

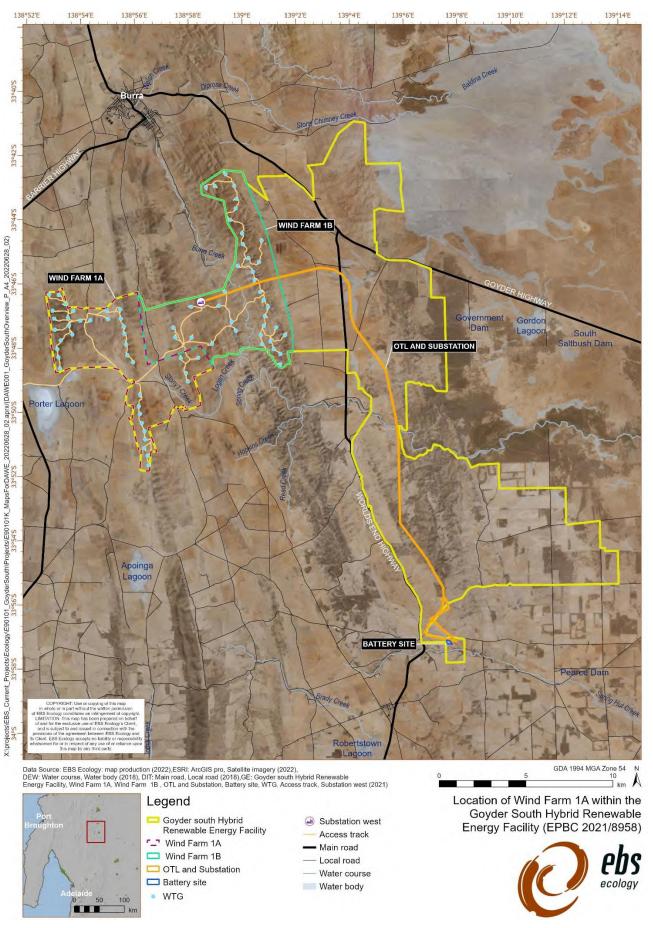
Trailing Hop-bush is the **EPBC Act** listed threatened species *Dodonaea procumbens*.

Website means a set of related web pages located under a single domain name attributed to the approval holder and available to the public.

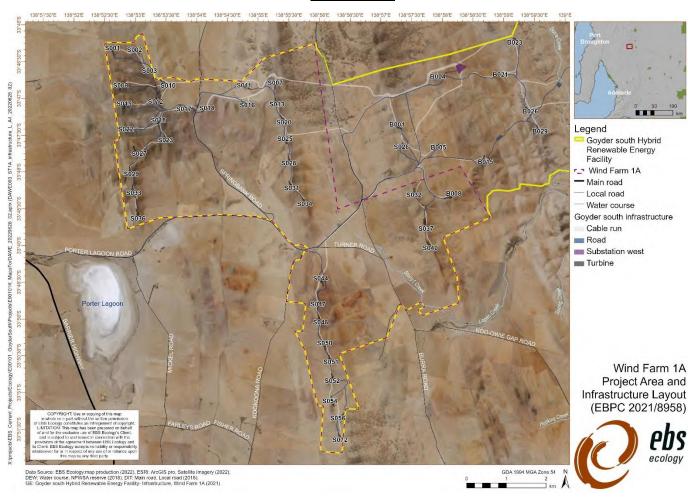
ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Attachment A Location of Wind Farm 1A within the Goyder South Renewables Energy Facility.
- 2. <u>Attachment B</u> Project area and Infrastructure footprint.
- 3. <u>Attachment C</u> Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard habitat.
- 4. <u>Attachment D</u> Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia TEC habitat.

Attachment A



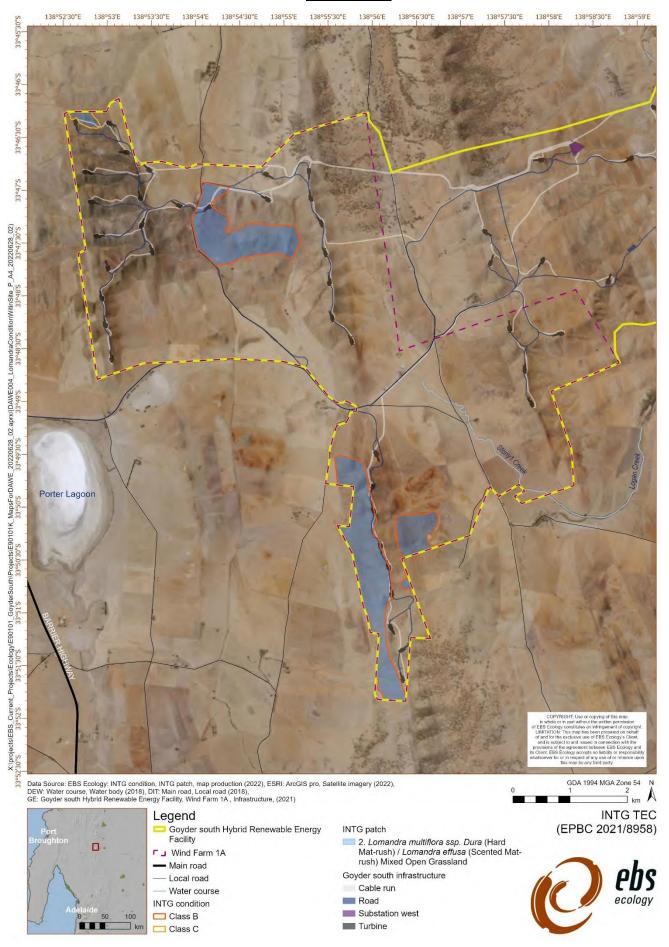
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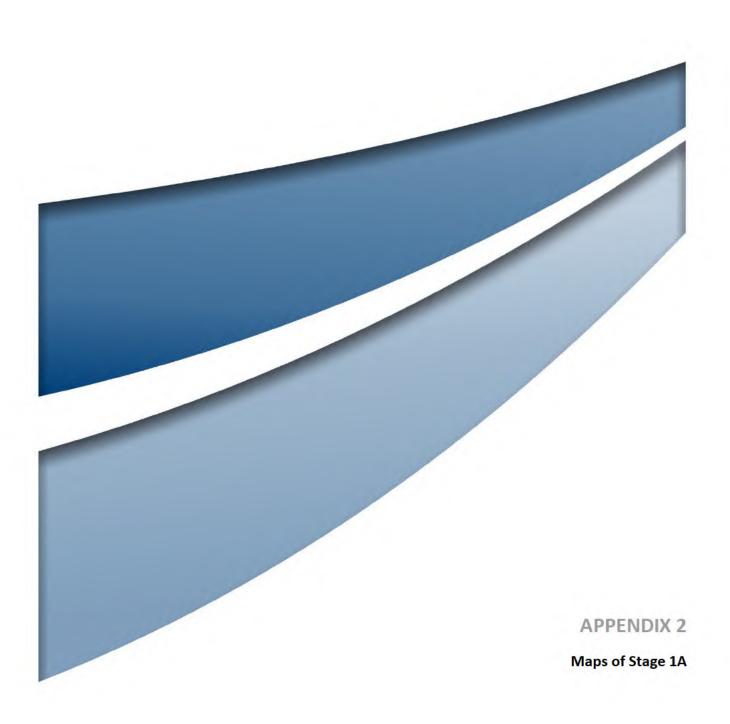


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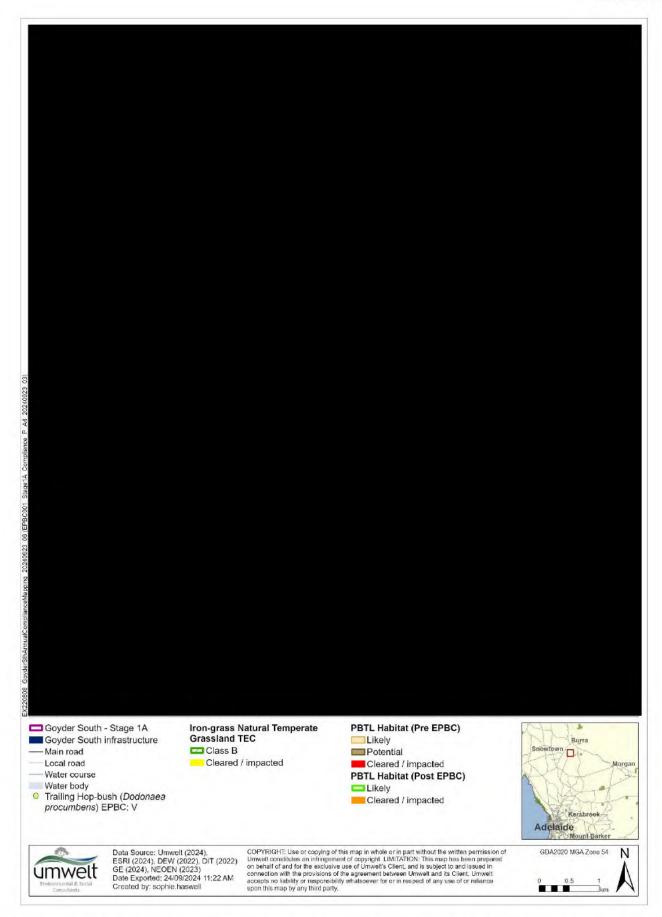


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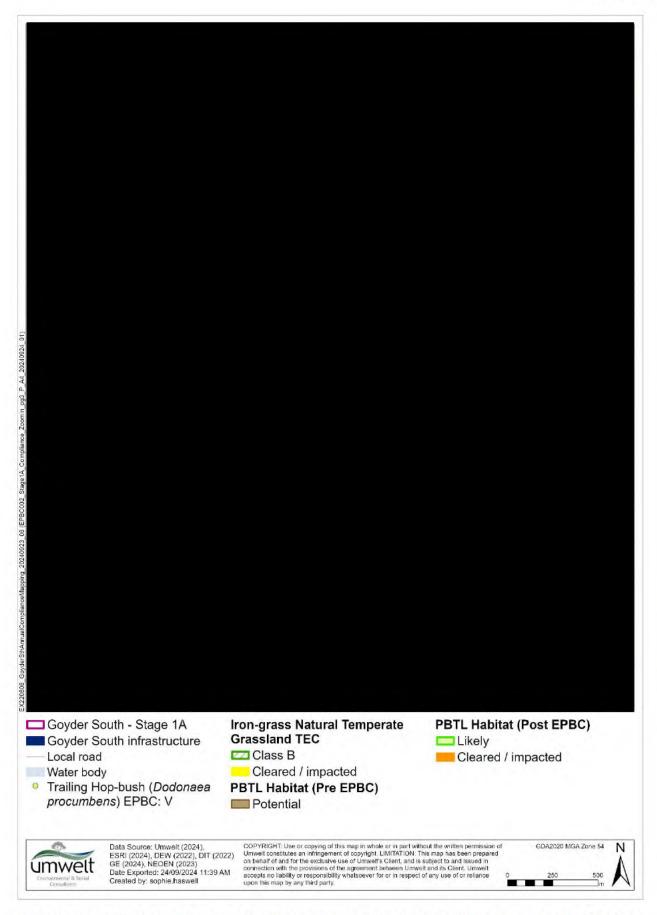






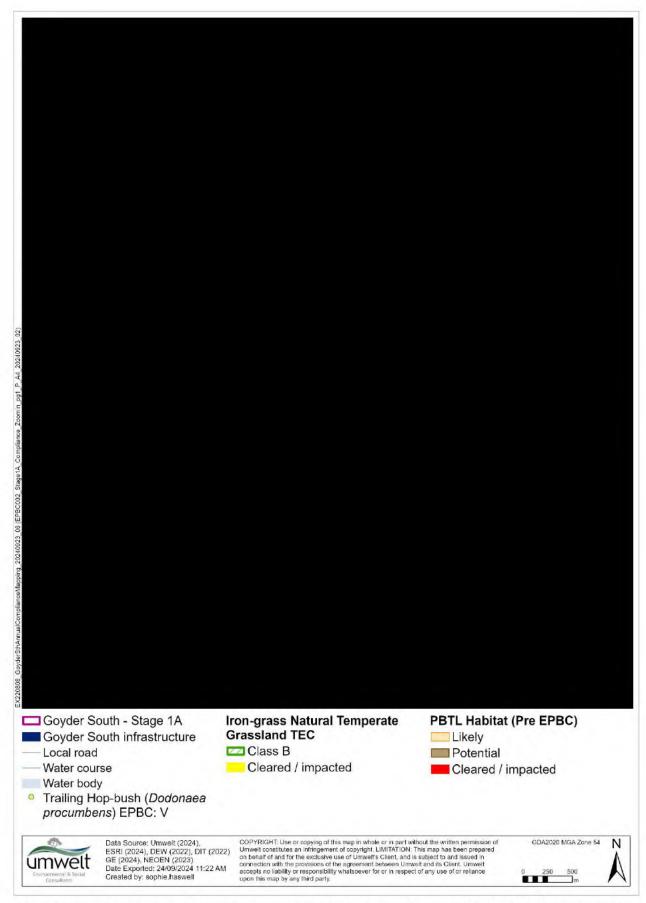
Stage 1A with WTGs and other infrastructure; Trailing Hop-bush plants; PBTL habitat; INTG TEC patches; and impacted areas (refer to the following two figures for more detail).





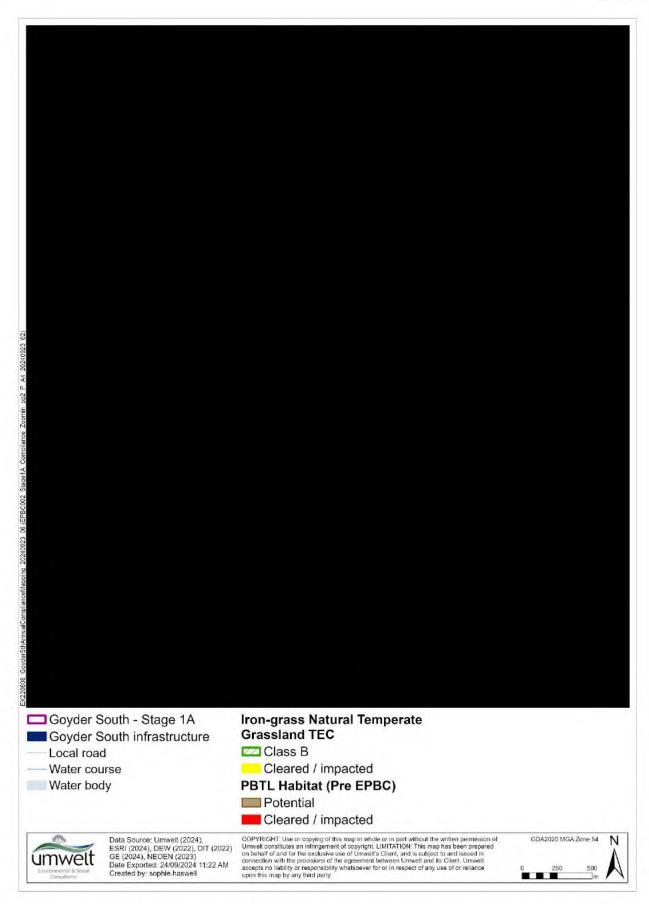
Zoom in map 1 of 3 showing Trailing Hop-bush plants; PBTL habitat (Pre EPBC); impacted PBTL habitat (Post EPBC); impacted and Class B INTG TEC.



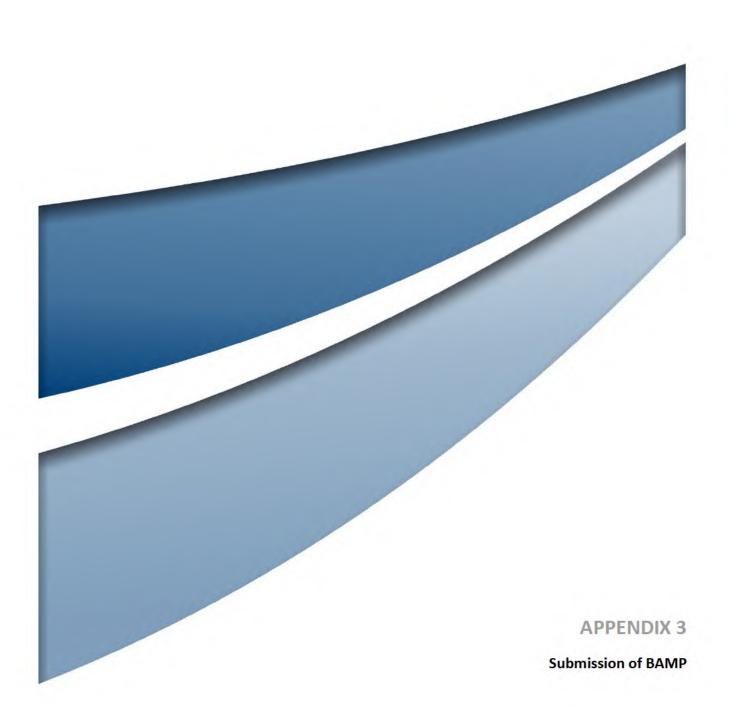


Zoom-in map 2 of 3 showing Trailing Hop-bush plants; impacted PBTL habitat (Pre EPBC); and impacted Class B INTG TEC.





Zoom-in map 3 of 3 showing impacted PBTL habitat (Pre EPBC); and impacted Class B INTG TEC.





From: Inès Béchameil <ines.bechameil@neoen.com>

Sent: Wednesday, 5 July 2023 3:06 PM

To: Dowd, Tony
Cc: Post Approval

Subject: Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility - Bird Adaptative Management Plan

Attachments: BAMP_20230705.pdf

Dear Tony,

In respect of the Wind Farm 1A and Wind Farm 1B components of the Goyder south Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility, we as the approval holder, submit to the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (the **Department**) a combined Bird Adaptative Management Plan (**BAMP**). This submission is made pursuant to:

- Condition 5 of the Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility Wind Farm 1A, 10km south Burra SA (EPBC 2021/8958), dated 5 July 2022;
- Condition 4 of the Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility Wind Farm 1B, 5km south Burra SA (EPBC 2021/8957), dated 13 July 2022; and

As the EPBC approval conditions state that the approval holder must not *commission* (refer to the definition in relevant approval conditions) until the BAMP has been approved by the Minister in writing, and the current Project schedule involves the commencement of commissioning of the first turbine for Wind Farm 1A in September 2023 and commencement of commissioning of the first turbine for Wind Farm 1B in April 2024, please note that Neoen is aiming for approval of the BAMP by the end of August 2023.

Could you please confirm receipt of this email and of the BAMP?

And could you please let us know whether you are available for a meeting within the next 2 weeks so we can present this BAMP and start discussing any comments or questions that DCCEEW would have before approval can be provided?

Thank you in advance.

Kind Regards,

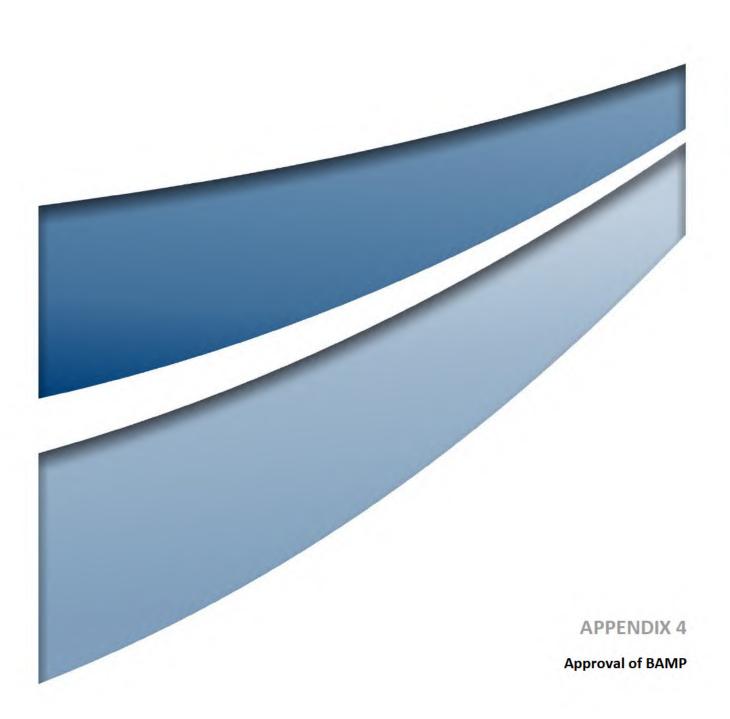
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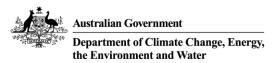
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Mr Ralph Mitchell Junior Construction Project Manager Neoen Australia Pty Ltd ralph.mitchell@neoen.com

Approval of Bird Adaptive Management Plan for Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility

Dear Mr Mitchell

Thank you for your email dated 5 July 2023 to the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water, seeking approval of the Bird Adaptive Management Plan, in accordance with Condition 4 of approval 2021/8957 and Condition 5 of approval 2021/8958 under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).

Officers of the department have advised me on the Bird Adaptive Management Plan and the requirements of the conditions of the approval for these projects. On this basis, and as a delegate of the Minister for the Environment and Water (the Minister), I have decided to approve the *Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility Stage 1A and Stage 1B Bird Adaptive Management Plan*, Version 5, dated 25 January 2024. This plan must now be implemented.

Approval Condition 22 for EPBC 2021/8957 and Condition 24 for EPBC 2021/8958 allow you (under certain circumstances) to implement revised plans without seeking approval from the Minister. If you require any advice on whether to submit a revised plan for approval, please contact the officer below. When submitting any revised plan to the Minister, please provide a 'tracked changes' version of the plan. I also suggest referring to the new or increased impact factsheet for guidance on changes to management plans approved under the EPBC Act.

As you are aware, the department has an active monitoring program which includes monitoring inspections, desk top document reviews and audits. Please ensure that you maintain accurate records of all activities associated with, or relevant to, the conditions of approval so that they can be made available to the department on request.

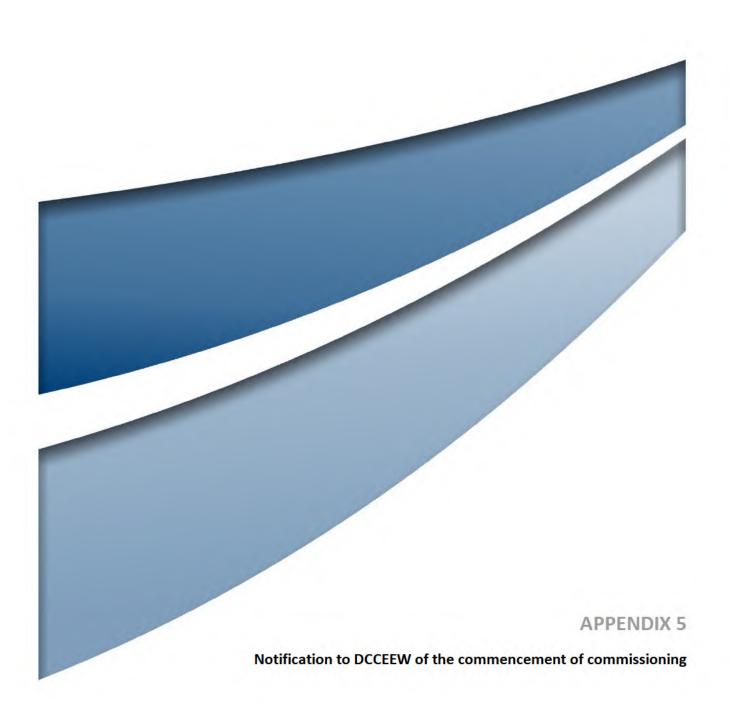
Should you require any further information please contact Tony Dowd by email to PostApproval@dcceew.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

Rachel Short Branch Head

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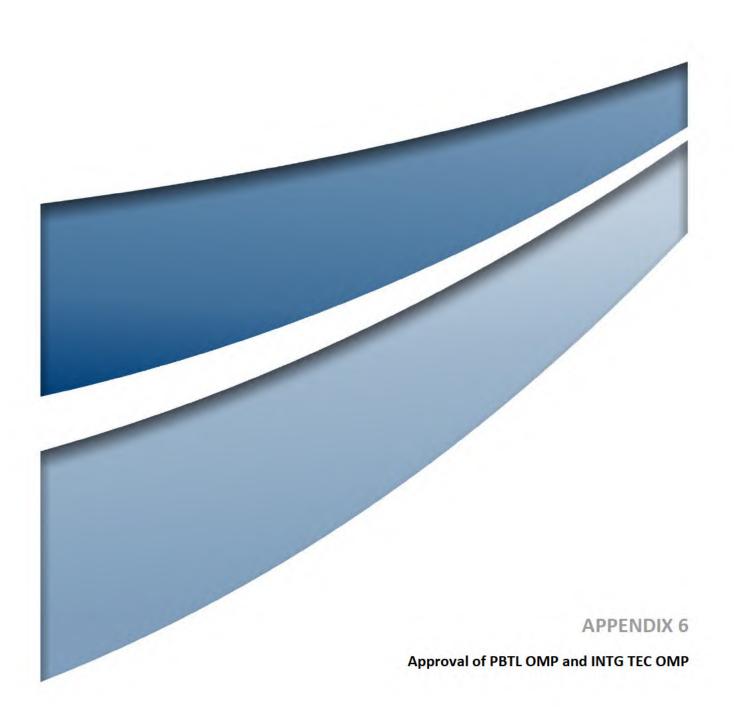
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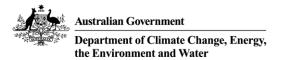


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Notification to DCCEEW of the commencement of commissioning.



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Ms Inès Béchameil Project Manager - Australia Neoen Australia Pty Ltd ines.bechameil@neoen.com

Approval of Management Plans and Offset Management Plans for: Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility - Wind Farm 1B, 5km south Burra SA (EPBC 2021/8957); Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility - Wind Farm 1A, 10km south Burra SA (EPBC 2021/8958); and Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility - OTL and Substation, Worlds End, SA (EPBC 2021/8959)

Dear Ms Béchameil

Thank you for your correspondence on 12 June 2023 and for correspondence via Ralph Mitchell on 22 September 2023 and 16 November 2023 to the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water, seeking approval of Management Plans and Offset Management Plans, in accordance with conditions of approvals for 2021/8957, 2021/8958 and 2021/8959 under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).

Officers of the department have advised me on the Management Plans and Offset Management Plans and the requirements of the conditions of the approval for these projects. On this basis, and as a delegate of the Minister for the Environment and Water (the Minister), I have decided to approve the:

- Pygmy Blue-tongue lizard Offset Management Plan, Version 5, dated 29 September 2023, in accordance with Condition 5 of the approval for EPBC Ref 2021/8957, Condition 6 of the approval for EPBC Ref 2021/8958 and Condition 4 of the approval for EPBC Ref 2021/8959;
- Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia Offset Management Plan, Version 5, dated 29 September 2023 in accordance with Condition 6 of the approval for EPBC Ref 2021/8958 and Condition 4 of the approval for EPBC Ref 2021/8959; and
- Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard Management Plan, Version 5, dated 30 November 2023, in accordance
 with Condition 3 of the approval for EPBC Ref 2021/8959, and in accordance with the
 requirements of section 143A of the EPBC Act, as meeting the requirements for Condition 3 of
 the approval for EPBC Ref 2021/8957 and Condition 3 of the approval for EPBC Ref 2021/8958

These plans must now be implemented.

As you are aware, the department has an active monitoring program which includes monitoring inspections, desk top document reviews and audits. Please ensure that you maintain accurate records of all activities associated with, or relevant to, the conditions of approval so that they can be made available to the department on request.

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Should you require any further information please contact Tony Dowd by email either to Tony.Dowd@dcceew.gov.au or to PostApproval@dcceew.gov.au.

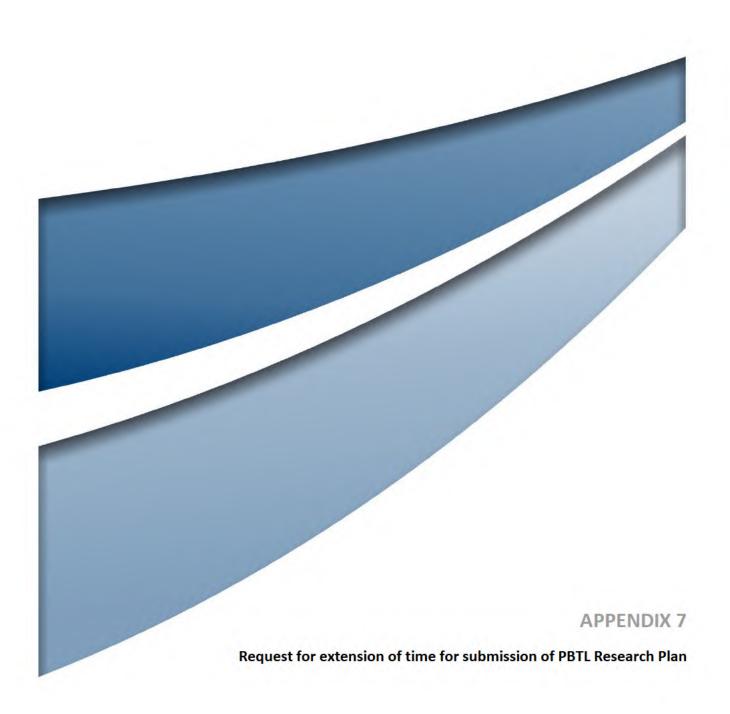
Yours sincerely

Brendan Linton-Smith

A/g Branch Head

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29/1/2024





From: Inès Béchameil <ines.bechameil@neoen.com>

Sent: Wednesday, 5 July 2023 5:08 PM

To: Dowd, Tony

Cc: Post Approval; EPBC Monitoring

Subject: Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility - Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard

Scientific Monitoring and Research Plan

Attachments: 2023-07-05 GSWF-DCCEEW-Request-to-Vary-Conditions-of-Approval.pdf

Dear Tony,

In respect of the Wind Farm 1A component of the Goyder south Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility, we as the approval holder, request for the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (the **Department**) to vary Condition 9 of the *Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility — Wind Farm 1A, 10km south Burra SA (EPBC* 2021/8958), dated 5 July 2022.

Condition 9 requires the Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard Scientific Monitoring and Research Plan (PBTL Research plan) to be submitted on the 05 July 2023. As discussed previously, we kindly request for the Department to consider an extension of time for the submission of this plan. Details and explanations are provided in the letter attached.

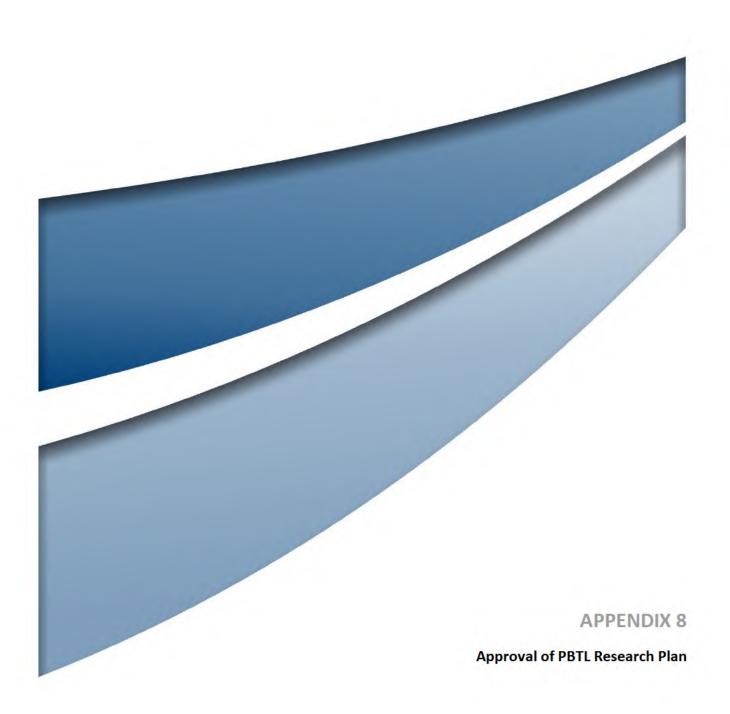
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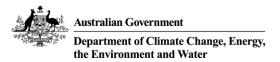
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EPBC ref: 2021/8958

Mr Ralph Mitchell Junior Construction Project Manager Neoen Australia Pty Ltd ralph.mitchell@neoen.com

Approval of Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard Scientific Monitoring and Research Plan (PBTL Research Plan) for Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility

Dear Mr Mitchell

Thank you for your email dated 29 January 2024 to the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water, seeking approval of the PBTL Research Plan, in accordance with Condition 9 of approval 2021/8958 under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).

Officers of the department have advised me on the PBTL Research Plan and the requirements of the conditions of the approval for this project. On this basis, and as a delegate of the Minister for the Environment and Water (the Minister), I have decided to approve the *Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard Scientific Monitoring and Research Plan*, Version 2, dated 24 January 2024. This plan must now be implemented.

Approval Condition 24 for EPBC 2021/8958 allow you (under certain circumstances) to implement revised plans without seeking approval from the Minister. If you require any advice on whether to submit a revised plan for approval, please contact the officer below. When submitting any revised plan to the Minister, please provide a 'tracked changes' version of the plan. I also attach a fact sheet providing guidance on new or increased impact relating to changes to approved management plans under EPBC Act.

As you are aware, the department has an active monitoring program which includes monitoring inspections, desk top document reviews and audits. Please ensure that you maintain accurate records of all activities associated with, or relevant to, the conditions of approval so that they can be made available to the department on request.

Should you require any further information please contact Tony Dowd by email to PostApproval@dcceew.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

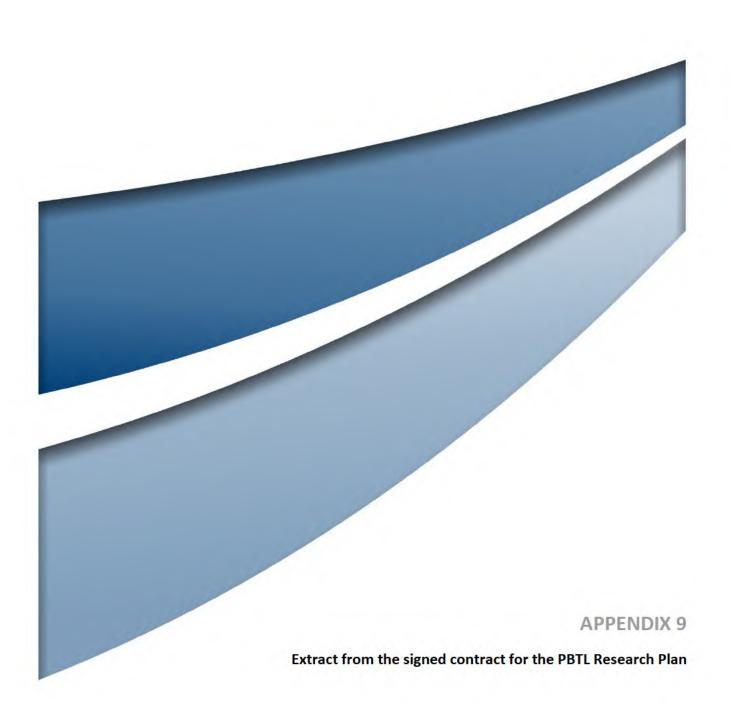
Rachel Short Branch Head

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20 February 2024

Attached: New or Increased Impact factsheet

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GPO Box 3090 Canberra ACT 2601 ABN: 63 573 932 849
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Research Services Agreement

Between:

Flinders University (ABN 65 542 596 200) of Sturt Road, Bedford Park, South Australia, 5042 ("the University")

and

Goyder Wind Farm 1 Pty Ltd (ACN 643 229 869) as trustee for the Goyder Wind Farm 1 Trust (ABN 13 445 650 867) ("GWF 1") and Goyder Wind Farm 1B Pty Ltd (ACN 649 965 944) as trustee for the Goyder Wind Farm 1B Trust (ABN 52 359 859 487) ("GWF 1B") of Level 21, 570 George Street, Sydney NSW 2000 (together, "the Sponsor")

Background

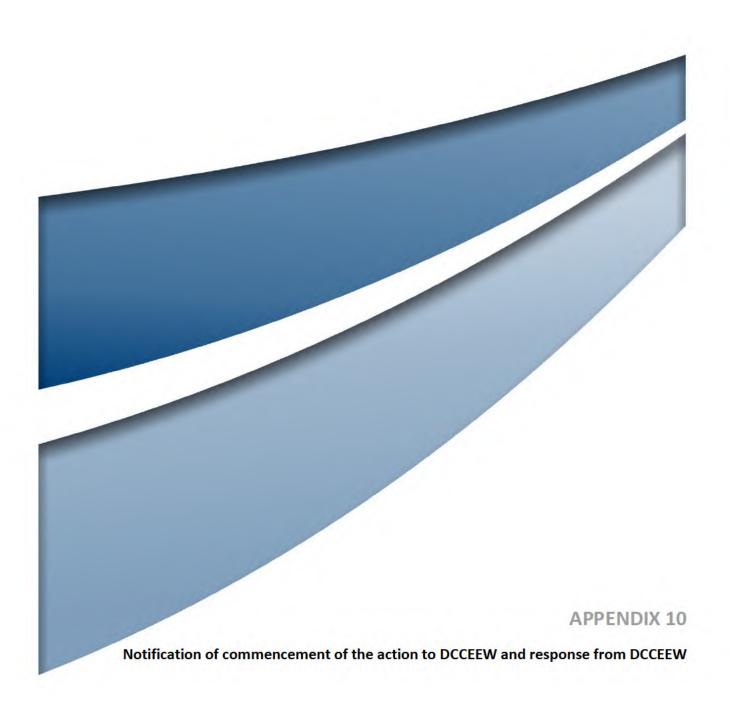
- A Flinders has a research interest and expertise in an area which is of interest to the Sponsor.
- B Flinders and the Sponsor have agreed and finalised the PTBL Research Plan.
- C The Sponsor has asked Flinders to implement the PTBL Research Plan at the Goyder South Wind Farm located near the towns of Burra and Robertstown in South Australia's Mid North region, approximately 2 hours' drive from Adelaide.
- D Flinders agrees to carry out the Project, and the Sponsor agrees to provide funding and certain other inputs into the Project, in accordance with this Agreement.

Extract from the signed contract for the PBTL Research Plan (page 1 of 2).



Signing Page	
EXECUTED as an agreement	
Signed for Flinders University by an authorised representative:	Executed by Goyder Wind Farm 1 Pty Ltd as trustee for the Goyder Wind Farm 1 Trust pursuant to section 127 of the Corporations Act 2001
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Signature of officer	Signature of director
Timothy Cavagnaro	Jean-Christophe Cheylus
Name of officer (print) Acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research)	Name of director (agait) signed by
Position title	Signature of director
09/07/2024	Tony Ng
Date	Name of director (print)
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Extract from the signed contract for the PBTL Research Plan (page 2 of 2).





From: EPBC Monitoring < EPBCMonitoring@awe.gov.au>

Sent: Friday, 16 September 2022 2:37 PM

To: Inès Béchameil <ines.bechameil@neoen.com>

Cc: John Tregear < john.tregear@neoen.com>; Laszlo Csanyi < laszlo.csanyi@neoen.com>;

EPBCMonitoring@awe.gov.au

Subject: RE: Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility - Wind Farm 1A (EPBC 2021/8958) - Date of

commencement of the action [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Dear Inès,

Please see attached a letter in relation to EPBC 2021/8958.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the EPBC Monitoring Mailbox.

Kind regards,

Olivia Moore

Compliance Officer

Environmental Audit Section | Environment Compliance Branch | Chief Counsel Division Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water

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Acknowledgement of Country

Our department recognises the First Peoples of this nation and their ongoing connection to culture and country. We acknowledge First Nations Peoples as the Traditional Owners, Custodians and Lore Keepers of the world's oldest living culture and pay respects to their Elders past, present and emerging

From: Inès Béchameil < ines.bechameil@neoen.com>

Sent: Wednesday, 6 July 2022 4:02 PM To: EPBCMonitoring@awe.gov.au

Cc: John Tregear < john.tregear@neoen.com >; Laszlo Csanyi < laszlo.csanyi@neoen.com >

Subject: Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility - Wind Farm 1A (EPBC 2021/8958) - Date of

commencement of the action

Hi EPBC Monitoring,

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Notification of commencement of the action (page 1 of 2).



Please take this email as a notification from Goyder Wind Farm 1 Pty Ltd under Condition 11 of the Approval Decision attached, that the date of commencement of the action will be the 7^{th} July 2022.

Please note that moving forward, our contact details will be as detailed in the table below. Please ensure to send all correspondences to those 3 email addresses, when required.

Contacts	Name	Title	Phone number	Email address
Primary Contact	Generic Email address	N/A	N/A	contact@goyderenergy.com.au
Primary Contact	Ines Bechameil	Construction Project Manager	+61 432 273 429	ines.bechameil@neoen.com
Back-Up Contact	John Tregear	Construction Project Director	+61 487 688 660	john.tregear@neoen.com

Kind Regards,

Inès Béchameil

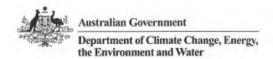
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Ref. EPBC 2021/8958

Email: epbcmonitoring@awe.gov.au

Inès Béchameil Project Manager - Australia Neoen Level 21 570 George Street SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Inès,

Commencement of the Action – Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility – Wind Farm 1A, 10km south Burra SA, EPBC 2021/8958

I refer to your email on 6 July 2022 on behalf of Goyder Wind Farm 1 Pty Ltd notifying the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (the department) of commencement of the action for Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility – Wind Farm 1A, SA in accordance with condition 11 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act* 1999 (the Act) EPBC 2021/8958 approval.

I note that the action commenced on 7 July 2022.

Condition 17 - Annual Compliance Reporting

Condition 17 of the approval states that the approval holder must prepare an Annual Compliance Report for each 12 month period following the date of commencement of the action. The approval holder must continue to publish each report and notify the department of publication until the expiry of the approval on 31 December 2057. The reports must be published within 60 business days of every 12 month anniversary of commencement. Documentary evidence must be provided to the department within 5 business days the report is published.

Please notify the department of publication of the reports by email, including the link to where the report is publicly available to epbcmonitoring@awe.gov.au. Please note the first Annual Compliance Report is due to the department by **5 September 2023**.

When preparing the report please refer to the department's Annual Compliance Report Guidelines available on the department's website at http://www.environment.gov.au/epbc/publications/annual-compliance-report-quidelines

Please note that the conditions of approval require the approval holder to maintain accurate records of all activities associated with, or relevant to, the approval conditions so that they can be made available to the department on request. These documents may be subject to audit and be used to verify compliance. Summaries of audits may be published by the department.

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Letter from the Department to the approval holder regarding commencement of the action (page 1 of 2).



More information about the department's Monitoring and Audit program is available on the department's website at http://www.environment.gov.au/epbc/compliance-and-enforcement/auditing.

Section 142 of the Act requires an approval holder to comply with conditions attached to an approval. Penalties may apply to approval holders who contravene conditions.

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please contact Olivia Moore at epbcmonitoring@awe.gov.au

Delivering a publicly accessible national environmental offsets database

Throughout 2021 and 2022, the department has made significant progress on improving systems and processes for environmental offsets including the development of the National Environmental Offsets System (NEOS). NEOS will display details of offsets required under EPBC Act approval conditions, bringing together key information about approved offsets including where they are located, and what matters of national environmental significant are protected. NEOS will be a publicly available searchable register enabling our regulated community as well as departmental officers to accurately identify offset location and assist in making informed decisions about offsets. The first stage of NEOS is planned for release in December 2022. If you would like more information about NEOS, please contact the department at epbcmonitoring@awe.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

Thomas Long Assistant Director

Environmental Audit Section

6 September 2022

