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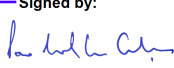
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Date: 26 September 2025

Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Definition
BAMP	Bird Adaptive Management Plan
CEMP	Construction Environmental Management Plan
Department	The Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
DEW	Department for Environment and Water (South Australian)
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
MW	Megawatts
MWh	Megawatt hours
NEOEN	NEOEN Australia Pty Ltd
OMP	Offset Management Plan
OTL(s)	Overhead Transmission Line(s)
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(s)	Wind turbine generator(s)

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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 EPBC Act approval, which is subject to specific conditions of approval (refer to **Appendix A** 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 is commonly referred to as Goyder South Wind Farm (GSWF) and commenced on 7 July 2022. This is the third annual **compliance report** for Stage 1A and applies to the third 12 months of the Project, from 7 July 2024 to 6 July 2025. During this timeframe:

- Construction works have continued on site and are now mostly complete (apart from site rehabilitation works).
- Commissioning of wind turbine generators (WTGs) has been completed (after commencing on 4/04/2024).
- Operation commenced on 31/03/2025.
- Maintenance of WTGs and associated infrastructure commenced and is now ongoing.

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 EPBC 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).
Person accepting responsibility for the report	Pedro Gonçalves
Date of commencement of the action	7 July 2022
Annual compliance report reporting period	7 July 2024 to 6 July 2025 (inclusive)
Date of preparation of this annual compliance report	26 September 2025

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 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 3,000 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.

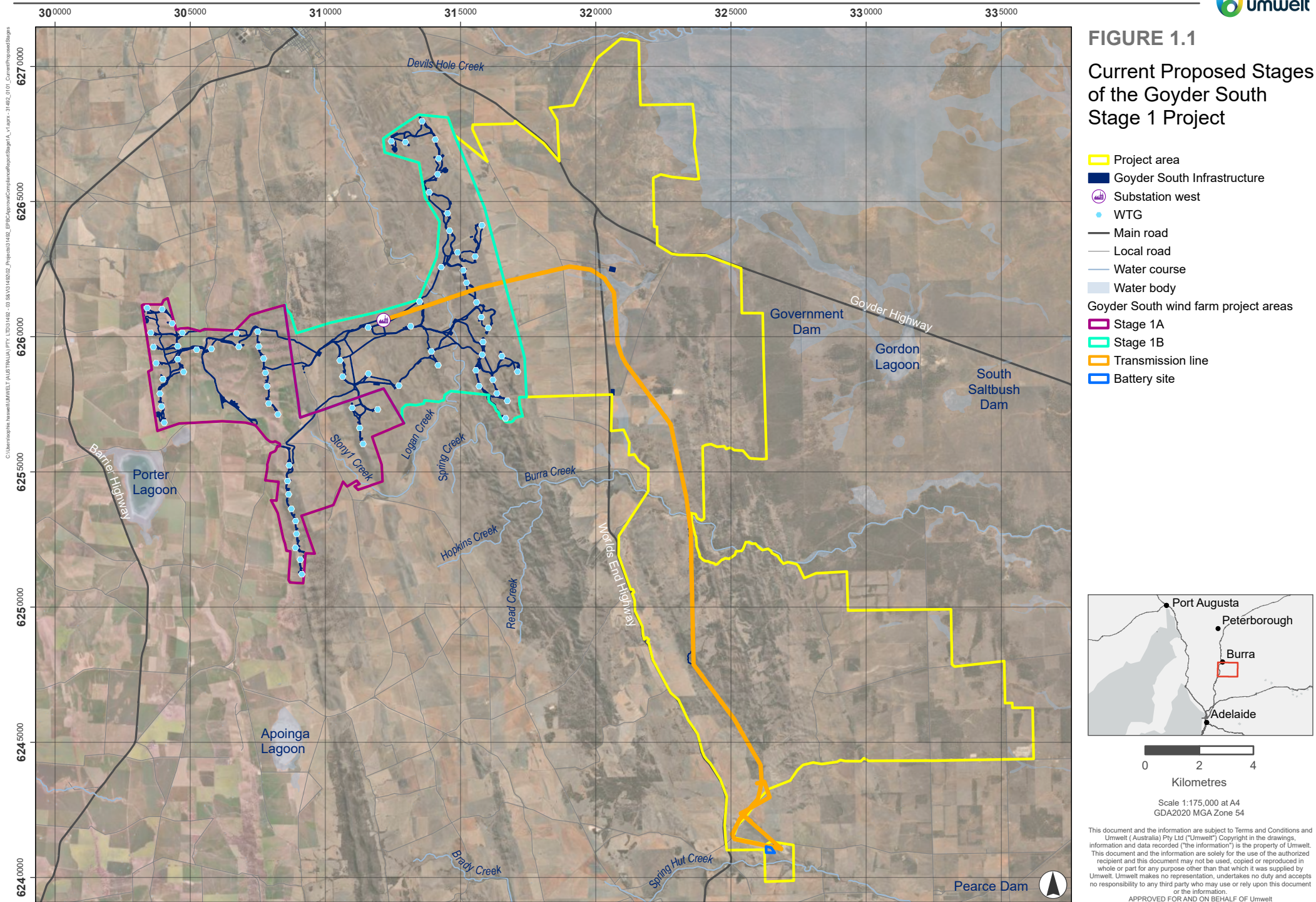
As the Goyder South Project will total up to \$3 billion in investment, NEOEN are implementing the Project in stages, with each stage having its own legal entity, construction contracts and financing packages. An overview of each stage currently proposed for development, along with the corresponding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

Table 1.2 Current Proposed Stages and Corresponding EPBC Approvals

Project Stage / Proposed Action	Legal Entity	EPBC 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 and Substation)	Goyder Wind Farm Common Asset Pty Ltd	2021/8959	Controlled Action Variation of conditions attached to approval	22/08/2022 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 (EPBC 2021/8958) of the Goyder South Project (GSWF – Stage 1A). Annual compliance reports for Stage 1B (2021/8957) and the Common Asset (2021/8959) components of the Goyder South Project are prepared separately.



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 for the applicable annual compliance report timeframe of 7 July 2024 to 6 July 2025.

Except for four non-compliances (with Conditions 1.b., 8, 9 and 10), compliance has been achieved for all other conditions of approval applicable to the timeframe of this annual **compliance report** (7 July 2024 to 6 July 2025), while several conditions of approval are not applicable to this annual **compliance report**. A non-compliance report for Condition 1.b. was completed and provided to the **Department** on 14 October 2024 and a variation to EPBC 2021/8958 is currently underway with the **Department** to enable compliance with Conditions 8, 9 and 10.

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		
1. 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 has constructed 38 wind turbine generators (WTGs) within the Stage 1A project area . Refer to Appendix B for a map showing the Stage 1A project area and WTGs constructed.
b. Clear outside the project area .	Non-compliant.	Clearance outside the project area was identified in August 2024 and investigated by the approval holder. Review of spatial data provided by Elecnor (the construction contractor) identified a minor amount of clearance just beyond the project area boundary. The clearance occurred between 28-29 March 2023 and was associated with construction works to install medium voltage cable between WTGs. A non-compliance report was completed and provided to the Department on 14 October 2024 in accordance with approval condition 19 (refer to condition 19).
c. Clear more than 8.04 ha of Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard habitat within the project area .	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 6.67 ha of Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard habitat has been cleared since commencement of the action. Refer to Appendix B 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 ; and	Compliant.	The approval holder has not cleared any individual plants of Trailing Hop-bush within the project area . Refer to Appendix B 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 9.41 ha of Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia TEC has been cleared since commencement of the action. Refer to Appendix B 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 of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
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 .	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://goydereenergy.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/GSWF-ELECNOR-EHS-PLN-0005-Rev-13-Construction-Environmental-Management-Plan.pdf
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.	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://goydereenergy.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/PBTL_Man_Plan_Final_20231130_Redacted_20240207_opt.pdf
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.	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://goydereenergy.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/INTG_TEC_Man_Plan_Final_20220628.pdf
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.	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 C for submission email). Note that the BAMP was submitted prior to the timeframe applicable to this compliance report (7 July 2024 to 6 July 2025) but this information is included in this compliance report for context. The BAMP was specifically prepared to satisfy the requirements of this condition of approval. 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 D for details). Commissioning commenced on 4 April 2024 (refer to Appendix E for notification to the Department), which is after the BAMP had been approved by the Minister in writing.

Condition of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. 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. 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. 		<p>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 the approved BAMP prior to commissioning. The approval holder has continued to implement the BAMP during the timeframe applicable to this compliance report (7 July 2024 to 6 July 2025). Furthermore, the approval holder intends to continue implementing the approved BAMP until completion of the action.</p> <p>The <i>Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility – Stage 1: Stage 1A and Stage 1B Bird Adaptive Management Plan Annual Implementation Report 2024</i> has been prepared and submitted to the Department.</p>

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<p>f. Include reporting commitments and timeframes for the provision of site-specific and species-specific information, which must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. 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. 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. <p>g. Include an adaptative management framework designed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 		

Condition of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
<p>permanent decommissioning of specific wind turbine generators.</p> <p>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 report prepared by a suitably qualified bird expert of the effectiveness of the BAMP in preventing significant impacts to listed bird species.</p> <p>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.</p>		
Environmental offsets		
<p><i>Offset Management Plan</i></p> <p>6. To compensate for residual significant impacts to the Pygmy Blue-tongue lizard and the Iron-grass 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.</p> <p>The OMP must:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Be consistent with the Environmental Management Plan Guidelines; Include a reference to the EPBC Act approval conditions to which the OMP refers. 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). 	Compliant.	<p>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).</p> <p>Each plan was subject to revision after feedback was received from the Department.</p> <p>A final revised version of the PBTL OMP (version 5, dated 29/09/2023) was submitted to the Department on 29 September 2023.</p> <p>A final revised version of the INTG TEC OMP (version 5, dated 29/09/2023) was submitted to the Department on 3 October 2023.</p> <p>Each OMP was specifically prepared to satisfy the requirements of this condition of approval.</p> <p>Neoen received Minister's approval of these plans on 29/01/2024 (refer to Appendix F for details).</p> <p>Commissioning commenced on 4 April 2024 (refer to Appendix E for notification to the Department), which is after the PBTL OMP and INTG TEC OMP had been approved by the Minister in writing.</p> <p>The approval holder commenced implementing the approved OMPs on 29/01/2024 and intends to continue implementing them for the periods specified in the approved OMPs.</p>

Condition of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. l. Include links to referenced plans and applicable conditions of approval (including State approval conditions), if any. 		<p>Reports on implementation of each OMP will be submitted to the Department.</p>

Condition of approval	Is the project compliant with this condition?	Evidence / Commentary
<p>m. Specify and justify the period for which the OMP will be implemented.</p> <p>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.</p>		
<p>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.</p>	Not applicable.	<p>The OMPs (required under Condition 6) were approved by the Minister on 29/01/2024 (which is within 18 months of the date of the approval).</p> <p>The Minister has not notified the approval holder that the submitted OMPs are not suitable for approval. As such, this condition is not applicable.</p>
<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>	Non-compliant. Variation in progress.	<p>The OMPs (required under Condition 6) were approved by the Minister on 29/01/2024.</p> <p><u>PBTL Offset</u></p> <p>The approval holder provided written evidence to the Department on 11 April 2025 that the PBTL offset site required under the approved PBTL OMP has been acquired and secured. The Gorge Management Agreement, executed on 5 September 2023, is the legal securing mechanism by which the PBTL Offset Area has been secured. The PBTL Offset Area has been secured within the Gorge Land and is being managed in accordance with the PBTL Offset Management Plan. As such, whilst the written evidence was provided to the Department beyond the required timeframe, the legal securing mechanism was secured prior to the deadline of 12 months from the OMP approval date.</p> <p>The approval holder is aware that the written evidence was provided to the Department after the 12-month timeframe, which does not comply with this condition of approval. As such notification of non-compliance for the late submission of the evidence for securing the offset site was submitted to the Department on 24 September 2025 (after the timeframe applicable to this compliance report (7 July 2024 to 6 July 2025)) (Appendix G).</p> <p>The approval holder acquired the land containing the PBTL offset site and transferred ownership to The Crown / State of South Australia, who will incorporate it into the Reserves System under the <i>National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972</i>, with the land gazetted as a national park, conservation park or similar protected area, which will ensure protection in perpetuity. The approval holder established a legal agreement with the SA National Parks and Wildlife Service within the South Australian Department for Environment and Water (DEW) to manage the land containing the PTBL offset site.</p>

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		<p>The approval holder provided a copy of the written agreement between Neoen and the SA Government (Department for Environment and Water) to implement the PBTL Offset Area to the Department on 11 April 2025.</p> <p>A variation to EPBC 2021/8958 is currently underway with the Department, that includes an extension of the timeframe to establish the legal securing mechanisms for the offset sites (Appendix H). Despite the establishment of the Gorge Management Agreement, this variation will ensure that the PBTL offset site is proclaimed as a national park, within the timeframe specified in the Approval.</p> <p><u>INTG TEC Offset</u></p> <p>The approval holder has established a legal Agreement with the landholder hosting the INTG TEC offset area. The offset area required under the approved INTG TEC OMP was secured through a formal Agreement on 18 January 2025. The approval holder provided a copy of this Agreement to the Department on 24 January 2025.</p> <p>Furthermore, the approval holder has commenced the process of establishing a Heritage Agreement with the SA Native Vegetation Branch within DEW.</p> <p>A variation to EPBC 2021/8958 is currently underway with the Department, that includes an extension of the timeframe to establish the legal securing mechanisms for the offset sites (Appendix H). Despite the establishment of the above INTG TEC offset site Agreement, this will ensure that the INTG TEC offset site is protected under a Heritage Agreement within the timeframe specified in the Approval.</p>
<p><i>Pygmy Blue-tongue Lizard Scientific Monitoring and Research Plan</i></p> <p>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.</p> <p>The PBTL Research Plan must:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 	<p>Possible partial non-compliance with submission timeframe. However compliant with other aspects of this Condition. Variation in progress.</p>	<p>Note that the timeframe applicable to this compliance report is 7 July 2024 to 6 July 2025. However, information prior to this timeframe is also provided for context.</p> <p>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 I 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 2024 to 6 July 2025).</p> <p>The approval holder did not receive a formal response from the Department, prior to submitting the PBTL Research Plan to the Department for Minister's approval on 11 December 2023.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 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. <p>The approval holder must not commission unless the PBTL Research Plan has been approved by the Minister in writing.</p>		<p>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.</p> <p>Minister's approval of the PBTL Research Plan was provided on 20 February 2024 (refer to Appendix J for details).</p> <p>It is possible that the approval holder may be non-compliant with this Condition of approval, as the PBTL Research Plan was not 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.</p> <p>The PBTL Research Plan was specifically prepared to satisfy the requirements of this condition of approval.</p> <p>The approval holder did not commission until 4 April 2024, which is after the PBTL Research Plan had been approved by the Minister (on 20 February 2024).</p> <p>As the approval holder will need to revise the PBTL Research Plan (see explanation in the following condition) a variation to EPBC 2021/8958 is currently underway with the Department, which would extend the timeframe required for finalisation of the PBTL Research Plan, and commencement of the research activities (Appendix K).</p>
<p>10. In relation to the PBTL Research Plan required under condition 9, the approval holder must provide to the Department:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 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 	<p>Non-compliant. Variation in progress.</p>	<p>EPBC 2021/8958 was approved on 5 July 2022.</p> <p>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 is provided in Appendix L. A full copy of the signed contract was provided to the Department separately (due to confidentiality requirements) on 14 April 2025.</p> <p>The approval holder is aware that the full copy of the signed contract was provided to the Department after the 24-month timeframe, which does not comply with this condition of approval. As such notification of non-compliance for the late submission of the signed contract was submitted to the Department on 24 September 2025 (after the timeframe applicable to this compliance report (7 July 2024 to 6 July 2025)) (Appendix M).</p> <p>However, since the PBTL Research Plan was prepared and approved by the Minister, the approval holder has not been able to secure access to the proposed land for completion of the research activities for the required timeframe. The approval holder advised the Department of this, and this was discussed with the Department on 30 January 2025, 14 April 2025 and 6 May 2025.</p> <p>As such, the approval holder has investigated alternative options for the location of the research and negotiated with the landholders. The approval holder has conducted surveys at various locations throughout the Goyder South Wind Farm to identify if there are any other locations that are suitable for conducting the research over the required timeframe. Specifically, conducting</p>

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<p>Plan for publication in a relevant, reputable, peer-reviewed scientific journal.</p>		<p>visits to WTGs SG044, SG027, SG029, SG033, SG032, B008, SG037 and SG036. Additionally, there were various surveys conducted in the area adjacent to the Substation. However, it was deemed that most of these locations would not be suitable for the purposes of achieving the research objectives of the approved PBTL Research Plan. However, it was identified that a smaller scope of research could be conducted at SG044.</p> <p>Flinders University has undertaken some preliminary surveys and planning for implementing a research element at GSWF WTG SG044 and has also commenced preliminary surveys at the site of the proposed Goyder North Wind Farm to identify suitable sites, including suitable (proposed) wind turbine sites as well as control sites, that will be used to undertake research at. Flinders University have also recruited an honours student to complete the scope of research.</p> <p>A summary provided by Flinders University of works undertaken to date for the PBTL Research Plan is provided in Appendix N.</p> <p>Consequently, the approval holder will need to revise the PBTL Research Plan and if required, the approval holder will submit a revised plan to the Department for Minister's approval, in accordance with the requirements of the approval conditions.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>The approval holder intends to submit the findings of the PBTL Research Plan for publication in a relevant, reputable, peer-reviewed scientific journal.</p> <p>A variation to EPBC 2021/8958 is currently underway with the Department, which would extend the timeframe required for finalisation of the PBTL Research Plan, and commencement of the research activities. This variation would also extend the timeframes for submission of the preliminary assessment report and final assessment report mentioned above (Appendix K).</p>
Part B – Standard administrative conditions		
Notification of date of commencement of the action		
<p>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.</p>	<p>Compliant.</p>	<p>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).</p>

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		<p>Evidence of notification was provided in previous annual compliance reports (7 July 2022 to 6 July 2023; and 7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024)</p> <p>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 E for details).</p>
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.	<p>Commencement of the action occurred on 7 July 2022.</p> <p>As commencement of the action occurred within 5 years from the date of the approval (5 July 2022), this condition is not applicable.</p>
Compliance records		
13. The approval holder must maintain accurate and complete compliance records .	Compliant.	The approval holder is maintaining accurate and complete compliance records .
<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>	Compliant.	<p>The timeframe applicable to this annual compliance report is 7 July 2024 to 6 July 2025. However, information prior to this timeframe is also provided for context.</p> <p>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. The approval holder responded to the Department on 29 August 2024 (within the requested response timeframe), and the Department requested further information on 15 October 2024. The approval holder responded to the Department on 15 October 2024, and the Department requested further information on 18 October 2024. The approval holder responded to the Department on 28 October 2024. The Department submitted the Final Audit Report to the approval holder on 29 October 2024 (Appendix O).</p> <p>The approval holder intends to continue to provide electronic copies of compliance records to the Department within the timeframe specified in any request.</p>
Submission and publication of plans		
<p>15. The approval holder must:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Submit plans electronically to the Department for approval by the Minister. Unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Minister, publish each plan on the website within 20 business days of the date: 	Compliant.	<p>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.</p> <p>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</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. d. Keep plans published on the website until the end date of this approval. 		<p>The PBTB Management Plan is available on the Project's website at: https://goyderenergy.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/PBTB_Man_Plan_Final_20231130_Redacted_20240207_opt.pdf</p> <p>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</p> <p>The PBTB OMP is available on the Project's website at: https://goyderenergy.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/EX220805_PBTB_OMP_v5_20230929_Redacted_20240214_opt.pdf</p> <p>The INTG TEC OMP is available on the Project's website at: https://goyderenergy.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/INTG-TEC-OMP_v5_20230929-final.pdf</p> <p>The approval holder intends to keep these plans published on the Project's website until the end date of the EPBC approval.</p>
<p>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 <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 plan.</p>	Compliant.	<p>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 PBTB 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.</p> <p>At this stage, only baseline data has been collected for the PBTB Offset Areas and INTG TEC Offset Area. 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 PBTB OMP and INTG TEC OMP, as appropriate.</p>
Annual compliance reporting		
<p>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:</p>	Compliant.	<p>The action commenced on 7 July 2022.</p> <p>This document is the third annual compliance report for Stage 1A and covers the third 12 month period following the date of commencement of the action, from 7 July 2024 to 6 July 2025.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Publish each compliance report on the website within 60 business days following the relevant 12 month period. 	Compliant.	<p>The previous annual compliance report (7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024) was published on the Project's website on 27 September 2024, within 60 business days following the relevant 12 month period (7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024).</p>

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		<p>This annual compliance report will be published on the Project's website within 60 business days following the third 12 month period, which equates to 26 September 2025.</p> <p>This annual compliance report will be available on the Project's website page at: https://goyderenergy.com.au/documents/</p>
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.	Compliant.	<p>NEOEN notified the Department by email on 27 September 2024, that the previous compliance report (7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024) was published on the Project's website on 27 September 2024 and provided a weblink for the compliance report, which was within 5 business days of the date of publication (Appendix P).</p> <p>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 3 October 2025).</p>
c. Keep all compliance reports publicly available on the website until this approval expires.	Compliant.	<p>The two previous compliance reports are publicly available on the Project's website page at: https://goyderenergy.com.au/documents/</p> <p>NEOEN will keep all compliance reports publicly available on the Project's website until the EPBC Act approval expires, which is 31 December 2057.</p>
d. Exclude or redact sensitive ecological data from compliance reports published on the website.	Compliant.	Sensitive ecological data has been and will continue to be excluded or redacted from compliance reports published on the Project's 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.	Compliant.	<p>Neoен submitted a full (non-redacted) version of the previous compliance report (for 7 July 2023 to 6 July 2024) containing sensitive ecological data, to the Department on 27 September 2024, which was within 5 business days of publication (Appendix P).</p> <p>The full version of this compliance report (for 7 July 2024 to 6 July 2025) containing sensitive ecological data will be submitted to the Department within 5 business days of publication (which equates to 3 October 2025).</p>
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 ; 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:	Compliant.	<p>The approval holder notified the Department in writing on 30 September 2024 of a non-compliance (Appendix Q). The notification was prepared to comply with the requirements of this condition.</p> <p>No other incident; non-compliance with the conditions; or non-compliance with the commitments made in plans has been identified by the approval holder within the timeframe of this compliance report (7 July 2024 to 6 July 2025).</p>
a. Any condition which is or may be in breach.		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 non-compliance. In the event the exact information cannot be provided, provide the best information available. 		
<p>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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. c. The method and timing of any remedial action that will be undertaken by the approval holder. 	Compliant.	<p>As stated above, the approval holder notified the Department in writing on 30 September 2024 of a non-compliance (Appendix Q).</p> <p>The approval holder provided further information to the Department on 14 October 2024 (Appendix R), specifying details of the non-compliance with conditions, the investigation undertaken, the potential impacts of the non-compliance and corrective action that will be undertaken.</p>
Independent audit		
<p>20. The approval holder must ensure that independent audits of compliance with the conditions are conducted as requested in writing by the Minister.</p>	Not applicable.	No independent audit of compliance with the conditions has been requested in writing by the Minister .
<p>21. For each independent audit, the approval holder must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 .
<p>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</p>	Not applicable.	Not applicable for this annual compliance report .

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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.	Not applicable.	<p>This document is the third annual compliance report for Stage 1A and covers the third 12 month period following the date of commencement of the action, from 7 July 2024 to 6 July 2025.</p> <p>The approval holder submitted a revised version of the PBTB Research Plan to the Department on 1 April 2025. However, following discussion with the Department on the revised PBTB Research Plan, and the recommendation from the Department to withdraw the revised Plan, it was withdrawn on 15 April 2025. As such, this condition is considered to be not applicable.</p> <p>As mentioned above, there is a variation underway with the Department to extend the timeframe for finalisation of the PBTB Research Plan.</p>
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.	<p>This document is the third annual compliance report for Stage 1A and covers the third 12 month period following the date of commencement of the action, from 7 July 2024 to 6 July 2025.</p> <p>The approval holder has not revised an action management plan approved by the Minister, under conditions 3 and 4, or as subsequently revised in accordance with these conditions. As such, this condition of approval is not applicable.</p>
<p>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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Notify the Department in writing that the approved action management plan has been revised and provide the Department with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 	Not applicable.	<p>The approval holder has not made the choice under condition 24 to revise an action management plan without submitting it for approval. As such, this condition is not applicable for this annual compliance report.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 		
<p>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.</p>	Not applicable.	Not applicable for this annual compliance report .
<p>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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 .
<p>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.</p>	Not applicable.	Not applicable for this annual compliance report .
<p>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.</p>		Noted.

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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 .

Appendix A

EPBC Act Approval Documentation (EPBC 2021/8958)



Australian Government
**Department of Climate Change, Energy,
the Environment and Water**

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	
Section 20	Approve
Section 20A	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	
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:
 - i. 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 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. include reporting commitments and timeframes for the provision of site-specific and species-specific information, which must:
- i. 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

6. To compensate for residual **significant impacts** to the **Pygmy Blue-tongue lizard** and the **Iron-grass 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;
- l. 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 (PBTB Research Plan) within 12 months of the date of this approval.

The PBTB Research Plan must:

- 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 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 **PBTB 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 PBTB Research Plan for at least 11 years.

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

10. In relation to the PBTB 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 PBTB Research Plan within 24 months of the date of this approval;
 - b. reports describing the work undertaken as part of the PBTB Research Plan in each **compliance report** until the final assessment report of the findings of the PBTB Research Plan has been published;
 - c. a detailed preliminary assessment report of the findings of the PBTB Research Plan within 90 months of the date of this approval; and
 - d. a final assessment report of the findings of the PBTB Research Plan within 13 years of the date of this approval,

and submit the findings of the PBTB 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;
 - 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**; 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
 - c. 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**;
 - b. 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 Attachment A. 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 Attachments A, B, C and D.

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 Attachment C 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.

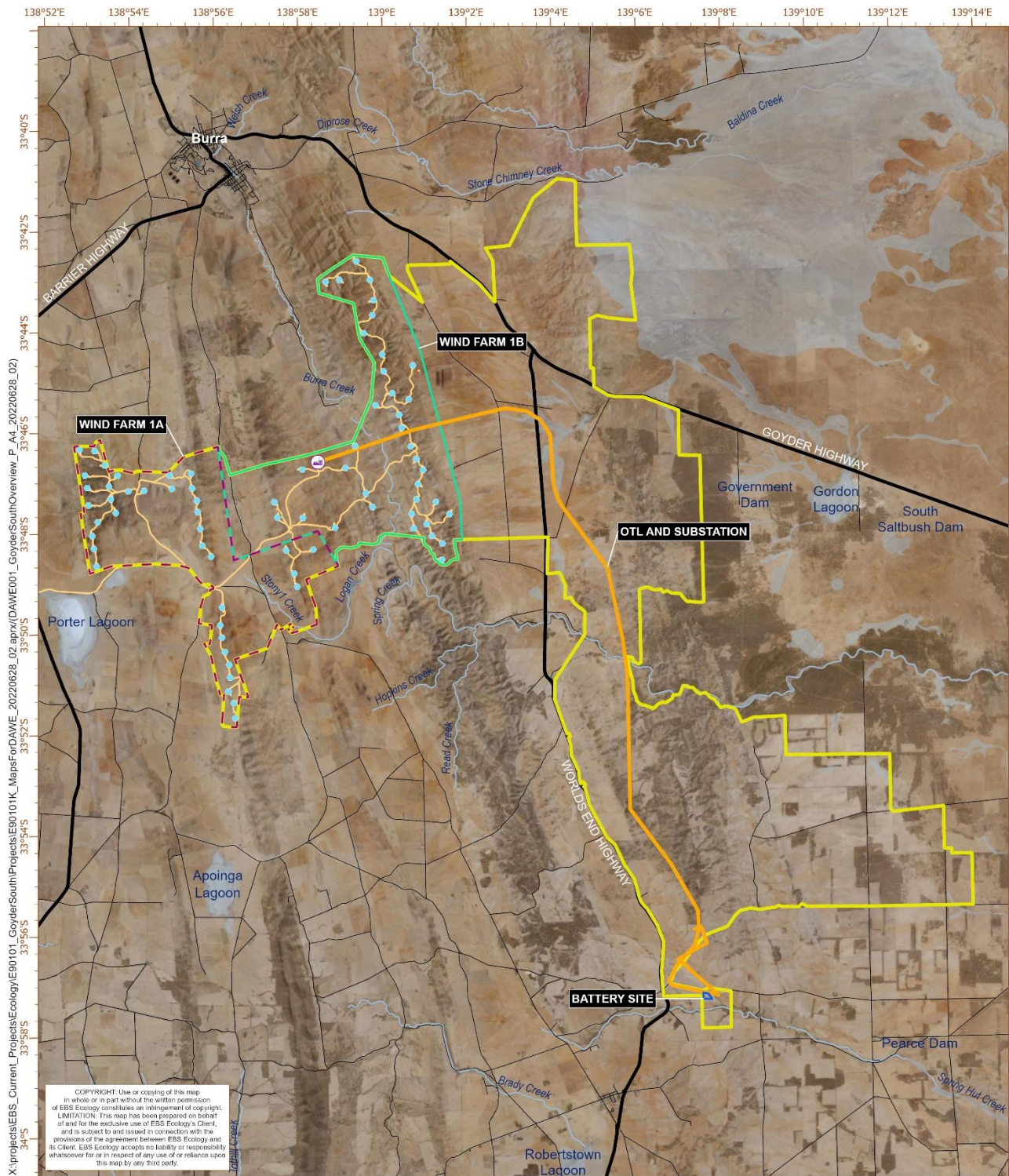
Trailing Hop-bush is the EPBC Act listed threatened species *Dodonaea procumbens*.

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

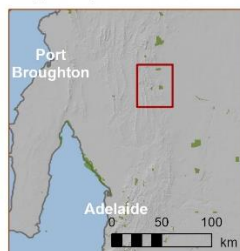
ATTACHMENTS

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

Attachment A



Data Source: EBS Ecology: map production (2022), ESRI: ArcGIS pro, Satellite imagery (2022), DEW: Water course, Water body (2018), DIT: Main road, Local road (2018), GE: Goyder south Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility, Wind Farm 1A, Wind Farm 1B, OTL and Substation, Battery site, WTG, Access track, Substation west (2021)



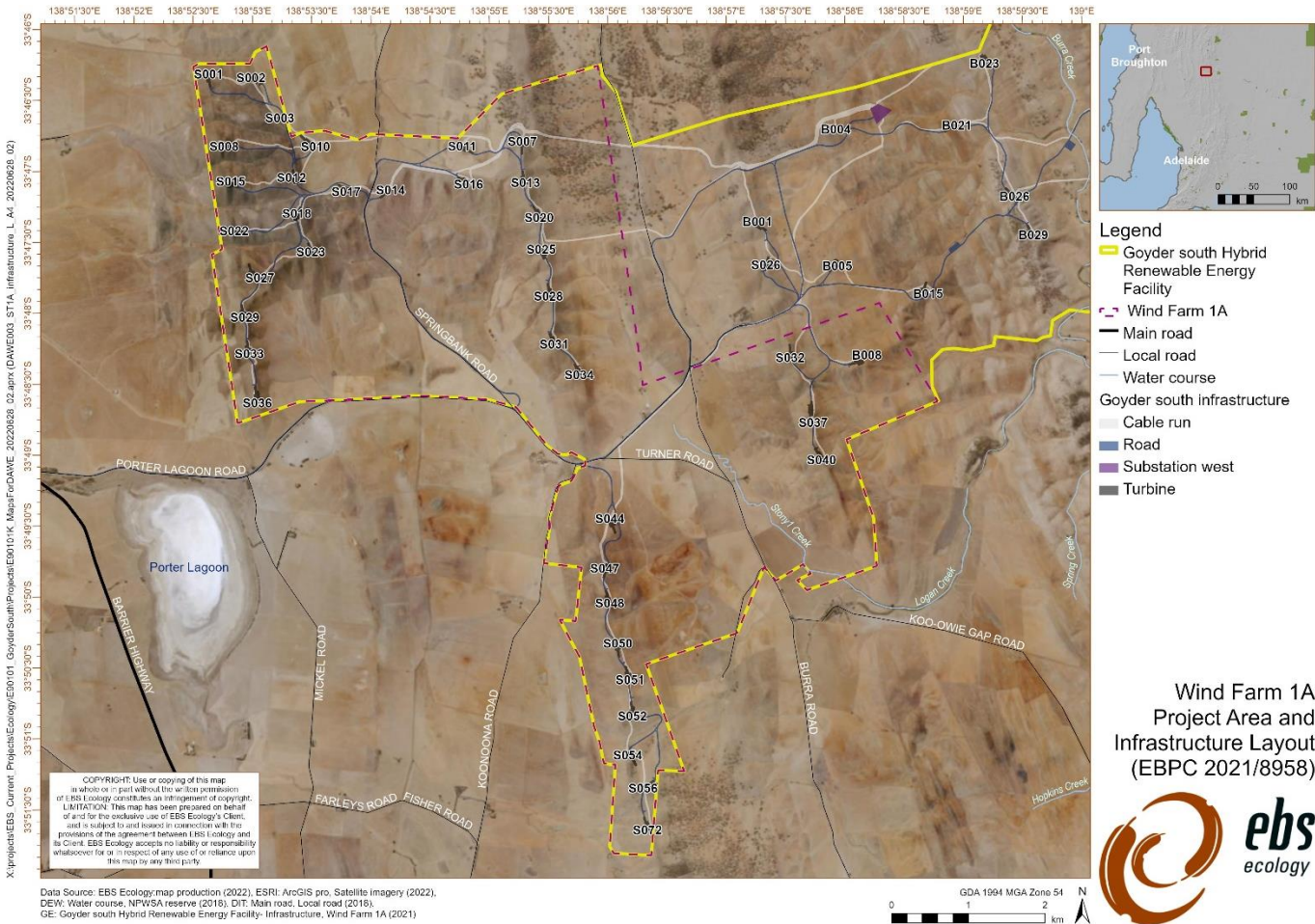
Legend

- Goyder south Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility
- Wind Farm 1A
- Wind Farm 1B
- OTL and Substation
- Battery site
- WTG
- Substation west
- Access track
- Main road
- Local road
- Water course
- Water body

Location of Wind Farm 1A within the Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility (EPBC 2021/8958)



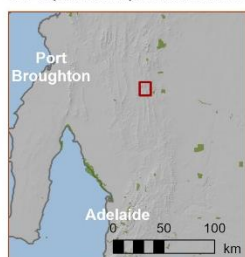
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Attachment D



Data Source: EBS Ecology: INTG condition, INTG patch, map production (2022), ESRI: ArcGIS pro, Satellite imagery (2022),
DEW: Water course, Water body (2018), DIT: Main road, Local road (2018),
GE: Goyder south Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility, Wind Farm 1A, Infrastructure, (2021)



Legend

- ▬ Goyder south Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility
- ▬ Wind Farm 1A
- ▬ Main road
- ▬ Local road
- ▬ Water course
- INTG condition
- ▬ Class B
- ▬ Class C

- INTG patch
- ▬ 2. *Lomandra multiflora* ssp. *Dura* (Hard Mat-rush) / *Lomandra effusa* (Scented Mat-rush) Mixed Open Grassland
- Goyder south infrastructure
- ▬ Cable run
- ▬ Road
- ▬ Substation west
- ▬ Turbine

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INTG TEC
(EPBC 2021/8958)



Appendix B

Maps of Stage 1A

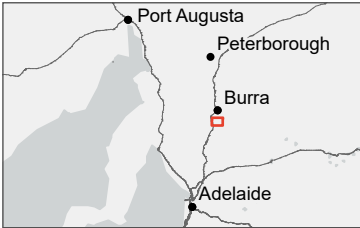




Appendix B

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

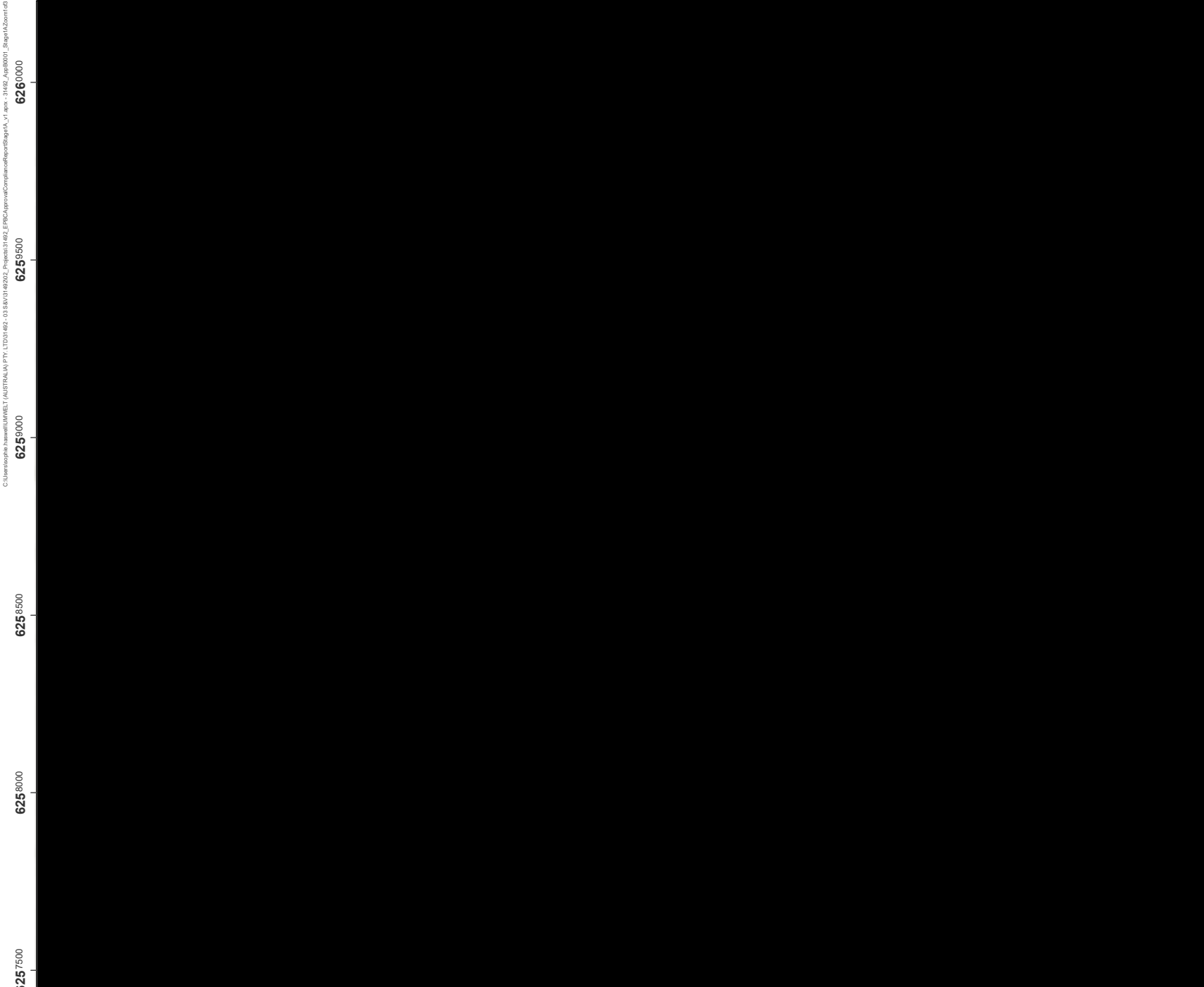
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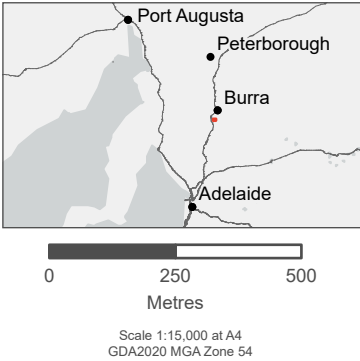
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Appendix B

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

- Goyder South - Stage 1A
- Goyder South Infrastructure
- Local road
- Water body
- Trailing Hop-bush (*Dodonaea procumbens*) EPBC: V
- Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland TEC
- Class B
- Cleared / impacted
- PBTL Habitat (Post EPBC)
- Likely
- Cleared / impacted
- PBTL Habitat (Pre EPBC)
- Potential



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Appendix B

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

- Goyder South - Stage 1A
- Goyder South Infrastructure
- Local road
- Water course
- Water body
- Trailing Hop-bush (*Dodonaea procumbens*) EPBC: V

Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland TEC

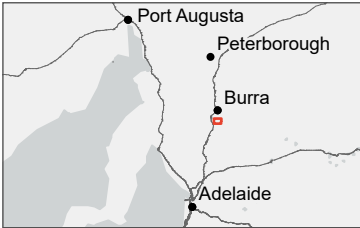
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PBTL Habitat (Post EPBC)

- Likely
- Cleared / impacted

PBTL Habitat (Pre EPBC)

- Likely
- Potential
- Cleared / impacted



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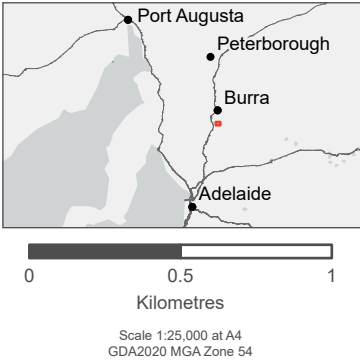
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Appendix B

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

- Goyder South - Stage 1A
- Goyder South Infrastructure
- Local road
- Water course
- Water body
- Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland TEC
- Class B
- Cleared / impacted
- PBTL Habitat (Pre EPBC)
- Potential
- Cleared / impacted



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Appendix C

Submission of BAMP



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,

Inès Béchameil
Project Manager – Australia

The logo for Neoen, with the word "NEOEN" in a bold, sans-serif font. The "NEO" is in blue and the "EN" is in orange.

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Appendix D

Minister's Approval of BAMP

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Australian Government
Department of Climate Change, Energy,
the Environment and Water

EPBC ref: 2021/8957 and 2021/8958

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
Environment Assessments (Vic and Tas) and Post Approvals
22 February 2024

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Appendix E

Notification to the Department of the Commencement of Commissioning

From: Ralph Mitchell
Sent: Tuesday, 9 April 2024 9:59 AM
To: EPBC Monitoring <epbcmonitoring@dcceew.gov.au>
Cc: Inès Béchameil <ines.bechameil@neoen.com>
Subject: Goyder Wind Farm 1A Commissioning Commencement

Dear EPBC Team Member,

Please be advised that in accordance with condition 11 of EPBC Approval 2021/8958, commissioning of the first wind turbine at Goyder Wind Farm 1A commenced 4/4/2024.

Kind Regards,

Ralph Mitchell
Junior Construction Project Manager

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Appendix F

Minister's Approval of PBTL OMP and INTG TEC OMP

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Australian Government
Department of Climate Change, Energy,
the Environment and Water

EPBC ref: 2021/8957, 2021/8958 and 2021/8959

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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Appendix G

Notification of Non-compliance With Condition 8

From: Ralph Mitchell <ralph.mitchell@neoen.com>
Sent: Wednesday, 24 September 2025 5:43 PM
To: EPBC Monitoring
Subject: EPBC 2021/8958 - Non-Compliance - Late Submission of Legal Securing Mechanism for PBTL OMP
Attachments: 20250924-NC-EPBC 2021_8958-Late Submission of Legal Securing Mechanism_signed.pdf

Dear Compliance Monitoring Team Member,

Please see attached the non-compliance report for the Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility – Wind Farm 1A (EPBC 2021/8958).

Please accept this submission as both the notification **and** the details of the non-compliance, noting that the attached letter includes the information required under both ‘reporting non-compliance’ approval conditions.

Please don’t hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Kind Regards,

Ralph Mitchell
Junior Construction Project Manager



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M. +61 474 731 841



Goyder Wind Farm 1 Pty Ltd
Level 21, 570 George Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Attention: Compliance Monitoring Team
By email: EPBCMonitoring@awe.gov.au

24 September 2025

Notice of Non-Compliance with the Conditions – EPBC 2021/8958

Dear Compliance Monitoring Team,

We refer to:

- a) the Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility – Wind Farm 1A, 10km south Burra, SA (EPBC 2021/8958), dated 5 July 2022 (“**EPBC Approval**”); and

This notification is made pursuant to Condition 18 and Condition 19 of the EPBC Approval.

Capitalised terms used in this notice but not defined have the meaning given in the EPBC Approval.

Non-compliance:

In respect of the Wind Farm 1A component of the Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility, on 23 September 2025, the approval holder identified a potential non-compliance with Condition 8 of the EPBC Approval.

During review of the draft EPBC 2021/8958 Annual Compliance Report, it was noted that written evidence was provided to the Department confirming that the offset site required under the approved Pygmy Blue-Tongue Lizard Offset Management Plan (PBTL OMP) had been acquired and secured outside the required timeframe of 12 months from the PBTL OMP approval date.

The PBTL OMP was approved on 29 January 2024. In accordance with Condition 8, written evidence of securing the offset site was required to be submitted to the Department by 29 January 2025. However, the approval holder provided this written evidence on 11 April 2025, after the required timeframe.

Notwithstanding the timing of this submission, the legal mechanism securing the PBTL offset site was executed on 5 September 2023, which was prior to the due date.

Investigation:

Upon identification of the non-compliance, the approval holder undertook an internal investigation. A summary of the investigation is as follows:

- On 23 September 2025, the approval holder reviewed Project correspondence to confirm whether written evidence of securing the offset site had been submitted to the Department within the required timeframe.



- On the same date, it was identified that written evidence confirming acquisition and security of the offset site under the approved PBTL OMP was provided to the Department on 11 April 2025. This was beyond the required timeframe of 12 months from the PBTL OMP approval date.

Non-compliance with the Conditions:

The approval holder is of the opinion that a non-compliance with Condition 8 of the EPBC Approval has occurred. Condition 8 requires the approval holder to provide written evidence to the Department confirming that the offset site required under the approved OMP has been acquired and secured within 12 months of the OMP approval date.

Potential Impacts of the Non-Compliance:

The approval holder considers that the impacts of this non-compliance are administrative in nature and therefore minimal. As the legal securing mechanism for the PBTL offset site was executed on 5 September 2023, it is the approval holder's opinion that the intent of Condition 8 of the EPBC Approval has been met, given that the PBTL offset site was protected well in advance of the due date of 29 January 2025.

Corrective actions:

Upon identification of the non-compliance with Condition 8 of the EPBC Approval, the following action was undertaken:

- A review was conducted of submissions to the Department relating to the written evidence that the legal securing mechanisms for the offsets required under the EPBC Approval had been executed.

Approval holder's review

As part of managing this non-compliance, the approval holder has reviewed the obligations for submission of written evidence relating to the securing of offset sites under the EPBC Approval. We consider that the corrective actions proposed will strengthen our internal controls and reduce the risk of similar non-compliances occurring in the future.

The approval holder takes environmental compliance seriously and will continue to implement proactive measures to ensure all future works remain compliant with the EPBC Approval.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information. We welcome any questions the Department may have regarding this matter.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Ralph Mitchell".

Ralph Mitchell

Construction Project Manager

Goyder Wind Farm 1 Pty Ltd

Appendix H

Variation in Progress for Condition 8

From: Mitchell HODGSON <Mitchell.HODGSON@dcceew.gov.au>
Sent: Tuesday, 19 August 2025 9:40 AM
To: Ralph Mitchell
Cc: Alyssa WEINSTEIN; Regan HART; Max STRATTON; Kimberly GLOVER; Sara BROOMHALL
Subject: RE: Cost Recovery to Variation of EPBC 2021/8958 - Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility
- Wind Farm 1A, 10km south Burra [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi Ralph,

Please excuse my delayed reply.

Thank you for paying the cost recovery fee. We are happy to work the requested variation into the EPBC 2021/8958 approval.

We are finalising the condition set with the new changes to Condition 8, and expect it will be with Neoen very shortly.

All the best,

Mitchell Hodgson
Assessment Officer

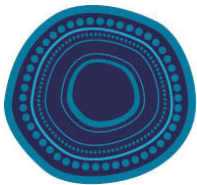
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From: Ralph Mitchell <ralph.mitchell@neoen.com>
Sent: Wednesday, 13 August 2025 1:41 PM
To: Mitchell HODGSON <Mitchell.HODGSON@dcceew.gov.au>
Cc: Alyssa WEINSTEIN <Alyssa.Weinstein@dcceew.gov.au>; Regan HART <Regan.Hart@dcceew.gov.au>; Max STRATTON <Max.Stratton@dcceew.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Cost Recovery to Variation of EPBC 2021/8958 - Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility - Wind Farm 1A, 10km south Burra [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi Mitchell,

Could you please provide an update on the variation, noting that the invoice has now been paid (remittance below):

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As you are aware, we are undergoing a variation for EPBC 2021/8957, and I was hoping we could please capture the following variation for Goyder 1A as well:

- Condition 8 of EPBC 2021/8958 - 'written evidence for securing the offset sites' – specifically, for the PBT L OMP:
 - o From discussions on EPBC 2021/8957, I understand that it is DCCEEW's expectation that the national park is established for this condition to be satisfied, and for the offset to be officially protected (not just covered under the Gorge Management Agreement)
 - o It has been agreed as part of the variation to EPBC 2021/8957 that we would vary the equivalent condition to allow sufficient time to establish the area as a National Park, noting that there were some delays due to the resolution of a clearance issue with Parks, and that we are currently revising the PBT L OMP to align better with National Park Management Activities (aiming to submit next week)
 - o We are aiming for establishment of the area as a national park by the end of the year, but please note that as per the GMA, the declaration of the Gorge Land as a National Park is the responsibility of the Minister
 - o As part of EPBC 2021/8957, DCCEEW's suggestion is as follows - "Proposal to increase time in which to secure the offset to 30 June 2026 to allow finalisation of the National Park declaration"
 - o Could you please advise if we are able to vary condition 8 of EPBC 2021/8959 in the same manner

I note that the above suggested variation would also impact the legal securing mechanism for the INTG OMP. Whilst we consider the Landowner Agreement for the INTG Offset to be the legal securing mechanism for protection of this area, we are still in the process of establishing the area under a Heritage Agreement. We anticipate that the Heritage Agreement should be established within Q1 2025, as we work through the details with NVC and the landowner.

Kind Regards,

Ralph Mitchell
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From: Mitchell HODGSON <Mitchell.HODGSON@dcceew.gov.au>
Sent: Friday, 18 July 2025 4:55 PM
To: Ralph Mitchell <ralph.mitchell@neoen.com>
Cc: Alyssa WEINSTEIN <Alyssa.Weinstein@dcceew.gov.au>; Regan HART <Regan.Hart@dcceew.gov.au>; Max STRATTON <Max.Stratton@dcceew.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Cost Recovery to Variation of EPBC 2021/8958 - Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility - Wind Farm 1A, 10km south Burra [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi Ralph,

Please see updated invoice attached.

All the best,

Mitchell Hodgson
Assessment Officer

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From: Ralph Mitchell <ralph.mitchell@neoen.com>
Sent: Friday, 18 July 2025 2:57 PM
To: Mitchell HODGSON <Mitchell.HODGSON@dcceew.gov.au>

Cc: Alyssa WEINSTEIN <Alyssa.Weinstein@dcceew.gov.au>; Regan HART <Regan.Hart@dcceew.gov.au>; Max STRATTON <Max.Stratton@dcceew.gov.au>

Subject: RE: Cost Recovery to Variation of EPBC 2021/8958 - Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility - Wind Farm 1A, 10km south Burra [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi Mitchell,

Level 21 / 570 George Street is correct, thanks.

Kind Regards,

Ralph Mitchell
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From: Mitchell HODGSON <Mitchell.HODGSON@dcceew.gov.au>

Sent: Friday, 18 July 2025 2:10 PM

To: Ralph Mitchell <ralph.mitchell@neoen.com>

Cc: Alyssa WEINSTEIN <Alyssa.Weinstein@dcceew.gov.au>; Regan HART <Regan.Hart@dcceew.gov.au>; Max STRATTON <Max.Stratton@dcceew.gov.au>

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Hi Ralph,

Just finalising the new invoice.

Is the Goyder Wind Farm 1 Pty Ltd address Level 21 / 570 George Street or 227 Elizabeth St Level 10?

Kind regards,

Mitchell Hodgson
Assessment Officer

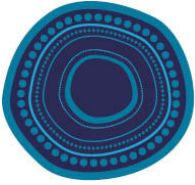
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From: Ralph Mitchell <ralph.mitchell@neoen.com>

Sent: Monday, 14 July 2025 6:38 PM

To: Mitchell HODGSON <Mitchell.HODGSON@dcceew.gov.au>

Cc: Alyssa WEINSTEIN <Alyssa.Weinstein@dcceew.gov.au>; Regan HART <Regan.Hart@dcceew.gov.au>; Max STRATTON <Max.Stratton@dcceew.gov.au>

Subject: RE: Cost Recovery to Variation of EPBC 2021/8958 - Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility - Wind Farm 1A, 10km south Burra [SEC=OFFICIAL]

OFFICIAL

Thanks Mitchell,

Could you please re-issue the invoice to Goyder Wind Farm 1 Pty Ltd (Goyder 1A entity).

Kind Regards,

Ralph Mitchell

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From: Mitchell HODGSON <Mitchell.HODGSON@dcceew.gov.au>

Sent: Monday, 14 July 2025 9:42 AM

To: Ralph Mitchell <ralph.mitchell@neoen.com>

Cc: Alyssa WEINSTEIN <Alyssa.Weinstein@dcceew.gov.au>; Regan HART <Regan.Hart@dcceew.gov.au>; Max STRATTON <Max.Stratton@dcceew.gov.au>

Subject: RE: Cost Recovery to Variation of EPBC 2021/8958 - Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility - Wind Farm 1A, 10km south Burra [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi Ralph,

Please excuse the delay with getting the invoice to you. See attached.

If there are any issues with details on the invoice, please let me know. When payment is made, please send a copy of proof of payment.

Any issues please let me know,

All the best,

Mitchell Hodgson
Assessment Officer

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From: Mitchell HODGSON

Sent: Thursday, 10 July 2025 11:56 AM

To: Ralph Mitchell <ralph.mitchell@neoen.com>

Cc: Alyssa WEINSTEIN <Alyssa.Weinstein@dcceew.gov.au>; Regan HART <Regan.Hart@dcceew.gov.au>; Max STRATTON <Max.Stratton@dcceew.gov.au>

Subject: RE: Cost Recovery to Variation of EPBC 2021/8958 - Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility - Wind Farm 1A, 10km south Burra [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi Ralph,

That shouldn't be an issue. I'll send you a separate email updating on both variation requests.

Cheers,

Mitchell Hodgson

Assessment Officer

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From: Ralph Mitchell <ralph.mitchell@neoen.com>

Sent: Thursday, 10 July 2025 11:01 AM

To: Mitchell HODGSON <Mitchell.HODGSON@dcceew.gov.au>

Cc: Alyssa WEINSTEIN <Alyssa.Weinstein@dcceew.gov.au>; Regan HART <Regan.Hart@dcceew.gov.au>; Max STRATTON <Max.Stratton@dcceew.gov.au>

Subject: RE: Cost Recovery to Variation of EPBC 2021/8958 - Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility - Wind Farm 1A, 10km south Burra [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi Mitchell,

Ok to proceed with the variation thanks. Noting that our payments typically take ~1 month, is there the potential to issue the draft variation in advance of payment being received?

Kind Regards,

Ralph Mitchell

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OFFICIAL

From: Mitchell HODGSON <Mitchell.HODGSON@dcceew.gov.au>

Sent: Thursday, 10 July 2025 10:20 AM

To: Ralph Mitchell <ralph.mitchell@neoen.com>

Cc: Alyssa WEINSTEIN <Alyssa.Weinstein@dcceew.gov.au>; Regan HART <Regan.Hart@dcceew.gov.au>; Max STRATTON <Max.Stratton@dcceew.gov.au>

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Good morning Ralph,

As discussed, we've received your variation request for EPBC 2021/8958 - Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility - Wind Farm 1A, 10km south Burra. Variation requests are subject to a cost recoverable fee of \$2,690. This fee must be paid before the department can provide NEOEN with the draft decision instrument with the proposed changes to conditions for review and consideration.

Please acknowledge by return email that you are happy to proceed with the fee for the variation request and I will provide you with a statement of charges. Once you have paid the fee we will forward you the draft decision instrument.

If you have any questions, please feel free to ask.

All the best,

Mitchell Hodgson
Assessment Officer

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Appendix I

Request for Extension of Time for Submission of PBTL Research Plan

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 (PBTLS 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.

Kind Regards,

Inès Béchameil
Project Manager – Australia



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Appendix J

Minister's Approval of PBTL Research Plan

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Australian Government
Department of Climate Change, Energy,
the Environment and Water

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
Environment Assessments (Vic and Tas) and Post Approvals
20 February 2024

Attached: [New or Increased Impact factsheet](#)

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Appendix K

Variation in Progress for Condition 9 and 10

From: Mitchell HODGSON <Mitchell.HODGSON@dcceew.gov.au>
Sent: Monday, 7 July 2025 4:06 PM
To: Ralph Mitchell
Cc: Sofia Cremonini; Inès Béchameil; Alyssa WEINSTEIN; Max STRATTON; Travis How; Emma Tremain; Hilary Pocock; Regan HART
Subject: RE: PBTL Research Plan - Recommended Variation [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi Ralph,

Thank you for the email. Apologies for not replying to your previous correspondence.

We are finalising the varied condition set and will provide them to NEOEN for comment shortly.

If you have any other questions, please let me know.

All the best,

Mitchell Hodgson
Assessment Officer

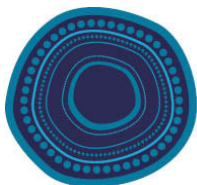
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From: Ralph Mitchell <ralph.mitchell@neoen.com>
Sent: Wednesday, 2 July 2025 3:36 PM
To: Mitchell HODGSON <mitchell.hodgson@dcceew.gov.au>
Cc: Sofia Cremonini <sofia.cremonini@neoen.com>; Inès Béchameil <ines.bechameil@neoen.com>; Alyssa WEINSTEIN <alyssa.weinstein@dcceew.gov.au>; Max STRATTON <max.stratton@dcceew.gov.au>; travis.how@umwelt.com.au; emma.tremain@umwelt.com.au; Hilary Pocock <Hilary.Pocock@neoen.com>
Subject: RE: PBTL Research Plan - Recommended Variation [SEC=OFFICIAL]

OFFICIAL

Hi Mitchell,

Just following up on the below please.

Kind Regards,

Ralph Mitchell
M. +61 474 731 841

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From: Ralph Mitchell
Sent: Wednesday, 28 May 2025 6:43 PM
To: Mitchell HODGSON <mitchell.hodgson@dcceew.gov.au>
Cc: Sofia Cremonini <sofia.cremonini@neoen.com>; Inès Béchameil <ines.bechameil@neoen.com>; Alyssa WEINSTEIN <alyssa.weinstein@dcceew.gov.au>; Max STRATTON <max.stratton@dcceew.gov.au>; travis.how@umwelt.com.au; emma.tremain@umwelt.com.au; Hilary Pocock <Hilary.Pocock@neoen.com>
Subject: RE: PBTL Research Plan - Recommended Variation [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Thanks Mitchell,

We note that the approved PBTL Research Plan remains in place for the Goyder 1A and 1B EPBC Approvals.

With the intention to submit a variation to Conditions 9 and 10 of the Goyder 1A Approval (aimed at enabling research activities to be completed at the Goyder North locations), assuming that this would be approved, would it then be advisable to formally withdraw the currently approved PBTL Research Plan (after the variation was approved)? In this situation, the PBTL Research Plan would then be resubmitted within the agreed upon timeframes?

Please note as well that I will be on leave from 30/5, returning 16/6, so please direct all correspondence on this matter to Sofia and Ines (cc'd).

Kind Regards,

Ralph Mitchell
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From: Mitchell HODGSON Mitchell.HODGSON@dcceew.gov.au
Sent: Wednesday, 14 May 2025 9:09 AM
To: Ralph Mitchell <ralph.mitchell@neoen.com>; Alyssa WEINSTEIN <Alyssa.Weinstein@dcceew.gov.au>

Cc: Max STRATTON <Max.Stratton@dcceew.gov.au>; Regan HART <Regan.Hart@dcceew.gov.au>; Travis How <travis.how@umwelt.com.au>; Hilary Pocock <Hilary.Pocock@neoen.com>; Emma Tremain <emma.tremain@umwelt.com.au>; Inès Béchameil <ines.bechameil@neoen.com>; Sofia Cremonini <sofia.cremonini@neoen.com>

Subject: RE: PBTL Research Plan - Recommended Variation [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Good morning Ralph,

Thank you for the email. We can confirm that as discussed in the meeting, it would be appropriate to vary **Condition 9** and **Condition 10** as you have highlighted. We will begin progressing with a draft condition set, and will provide it to you for feedback.

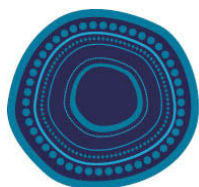
In the meantime, should you have any comments please don't hesitate to get in contact.

Kind regards,

Mitchell Hodgson
Assessment Officer

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From: Ralph Mitchell <ralph.mitchell@neoen.com>

Sent: Friday, 9 May 2025 2:52 PM

To: Alyssa WEINSTEIN <alyssa.weinstein@dcceew.gov.au>
Cc: Mitchell HODGSON <mitchell.hodgson@dcceew.gov.au>; Max STRATTON <max.stratton@dcceew.gov.au>; Regan HART <regan.hart@dcceew.gov.au>; Travis How <travis.how@umwelt.com.au>; Hilary Pocock <Hilary.Pocock@neoen.com>; Emma Tremain <emma.tremain@umwelt.com.au>; Inès Béchameil <ines.bechameil@neoen.com>; Sofia Cremonini <sofia.cremonini@neoen.com>
Subject: PBTL Research Plan - Recommended Variation

Hi Alyssa,

Thank you for your time on Tuesday (6/5) to discuss the PBTL Research Plan for the 2021/8958 and 2021/8957 EPBC Approvals.

Following that discussion, I was just hoping to clarify on the variation request that was suggested, to accommodate for the proposed research at Goyder North. My understanding is that the following recommendations were made, could you please confirm (for the 1A Approval):

- 10.c (1A) – extend the submission date for the preliminary assessment report from 90 months, as required
- 10.d (1A) – extend the submission date for the final assessment report from 13 years, as required

You have also advised that the adopted mechanism of submitting a RAMP was not appropriate for the revised PBTL Research Plan. As such, I was hoping to clarify if varying the below condition would allow for submission of the revised PBTL Research Plan:

- 9 (1A) – vary the condition to allow submission of the Plan beyond '12 months of the date of this approval'.
i.e. allow for submission of the PBTL Research Plan at a later date when certainty is provided on the Goyder North EPBC Approval?

Alternatively, could you please advise how the revised PBTL Research Plan should be submitted.

Kind Regards,

Ralph Mitchell
Junior Construction Project Manager



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Appendix L

Extract From the Signed Contract for the PBTL Research Plan





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.

EXECUTED as an agreement

Signed for Flinders University by an authorised representative:



Signature of officer

Timothy Cavagnaro

Name of officer (print)

Acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research)

Position title

09/07/2024

Date

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

Signed by:


752A678510C547B

Signature of director

Jean-Christophe Cheylus

Name of director (print)


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Signature of director

Tony Ng

Name of director (print)

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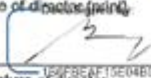
Signed by:


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Signature of director

Jean-Christophe Cheylus

Name of director (print)


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Signature of director

Tony Ng

Name of director (print)

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Appendix M

Notification of Non-compliance With Condition 10

From: Ralph Mitchell <ralph.mitchell@neoen.com>
Sent: Wednesday, 24 September 2025 5:45 PM
To: EPBC Monitoring
Subject: EPBC 2021/8958 - Non-Compliance - Late Submission of the Contract for the PBTL Research Plan
Attachments: 20250924-NC-1A-Late Submission of PBTL Research Plan Contract.pdf

Dear Compliance Monitoring Team Member,

Please see attached the non-compliance report for the Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility – Wind Farm 1A (EPBC 2021/8958).

Please accept this submission as both the notification **and** the details of the non-compliance, noting that the attached letter includes the information required under both ‘reporting non-compliance’ approval conditions.

Please don’t hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Kind Regards,

Ralph Mitchell
Junior Construction Project Manager



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Goyder Wind Farm 1 Pty Ltd
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Sydney NSW 2000

Attention: Compliance Monitoring Team
By email: EPBCMonitoring@awe.gov.au

24 September 2025

Notice of Non-Compliance with the Conditions – EPBC 2021/8958

Dear Compliance Monitoring Team,

We refer to:

- a) the Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility – Wind Farm 1A, 10km south Burra, SA (EPBC 2021/8958), dated 5 July 2022 (“**EPBC Approval**”); and

This notification is made pursuant to Condition 18 and Condition 19 of the EPBC Approval.

Capitalised terms used in this notice but not defined have the meaning given in the EPBC Approval.

Non-compliance:

In respect of the Wind Farm 1A component of the Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility, on 23 September 2025, the approval holder identified a potential non-compliance with Condition 10 of the EPBC Approval.

During review of the draft EPBC 2021/8958 Annual Compliance Report, it was noted that signed contracts exchanged between a suitable qualified researcher and the approval holder committing both parties to implement the Pygmy Blue-Tongue Lizard Research Plan (PBTTL Research Plan), were provided to the Department outside the required timeframe of 24 months from the date of this EPBC Approval.

In accordance with Condition 10, the contract was to be provided to the Department by 5 July 2024. However, the approval holder provided a copy of this contract on 14 April 2025, after the required timeframe.

Notwithstanding the timing of this submission, the contract requires both parties to implement the PBTTL Research Plan within 24 months of the date of the EPBC Approval.

Investigation:

Upon identification of the non-compliance, the approval holder undertook an internal investigation. A summary of the investigation is as follows:

- On 23 September 2025, the approval holder reviewed project correspondence to determine whether a copy of the contract had been submitted to the Department within the required timeframe.
- On the same date, it was confirmed that the contract had been provided to the Department on 14 April 2025, which was beyond the required timeframe of 24 months from the date of the EPBC Approval.



Non-compliance with the Conditions:

The approval holder acknowledges that a non-compliance with Condition 10 of the EPBC Approval has occurred. Condition 10 requires the approval holder to provide the Department with signed contracts exchanged between a suitably qualified researcher and the approval holder, committing both parties to implement the PBTL Research Plan within 24 months from the date of the EPBC Approval.

Potential Impacts of the Non-Compliance:

The approval holder considers the impacts of this non-compliance to be administrative in nature and therefore minimal. Given that the contract commits both parties to implement the PBTL Research Plan within 24 months from the date of the EPBC Approval, it is the approval holder's view that the intent of Condition 10 has been satisfied.

Corrective actions:

Upon identification of the non-compliance with Condition 10 of the EPBC Approval, the following action was undertaken:

- A review of the deliverables associated with the PBTL Research Plan was conducted to confirm that the required timeframes had been met.

Approval holder's review

As part of managing this non-compliance, the approval holder has reviewed the obligations related to the submission of the contract under Condition 10 of the EPBC Approval. We believe that the proposed corrective actions will enhance our internal controls and significantly reduce the risk of similar non-compliances occurring in the future.

The approval holder takes environmental compliance seriously and will continue to implement proactive measures to ensure all future works remain compliant with the EPBC Approval.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information. We welcome any questions the Department may have regarding this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Ralph Mitchell

Construction Project Manager

Goyder Wind Farm 1 Pty Ltd

Appendix N

Flinders University Summary of PBTL Research Plan Works To Date



Overview of Flinders University work to date for Goyder South and Goyder North windfarm project.

Goyder South

Flinders has undertaken preliminary assessment of areas around [REDACTED] 4 at the Goyder South. Lizards were found [REDACTED] [REDACTED] e which can be used as one control area (Figure 1).

Flinders university put in a scope of work and cost quote that has been given in principle agreement with NEOEN. Currently the research agreements are being finalised to allow this work to start. It is likely the terms will be agreed in the next week or two.

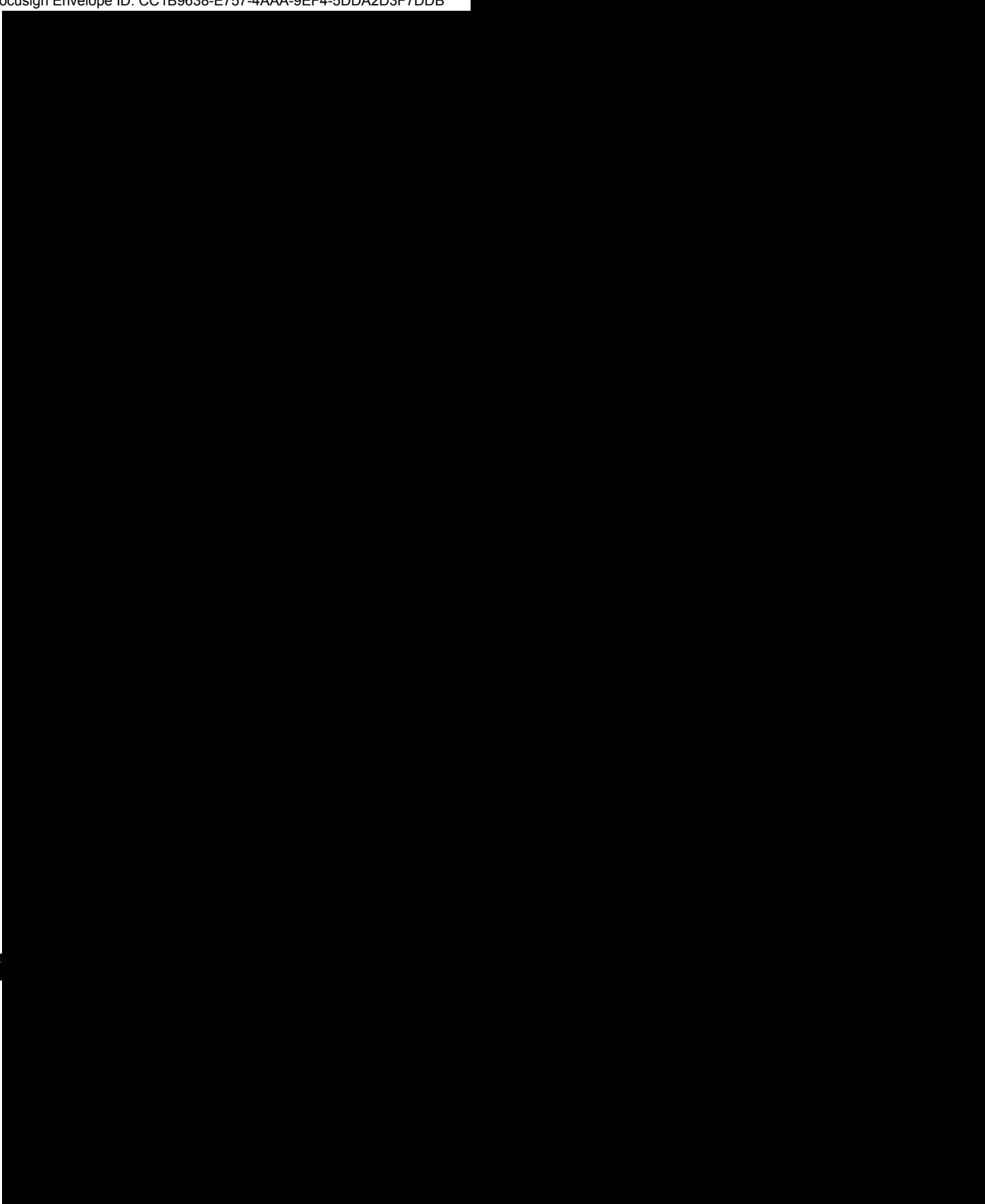
Goyder North

Flinders has done extensive searching (approximately 42 equivalent days) within the Goyder North area to determine areas that would be suitable for undertaking research. The lizards are [REDACTED] within the Goyder North [REDACTED] (Figure 2) and it is proposed that the research will therefore take place across a number of agricultural properties including the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] (control). The [REDACTED] [REDACTED] of the lizards will mean that we need to sample from [REDACTED] to be able to achieve replication across distances and aspects.

Given the change of area, Flinders has presented a new scope of work and proposed budget for NEOEN to consider, and we are waiting for NEOEN to respond.

Geneflow across roads

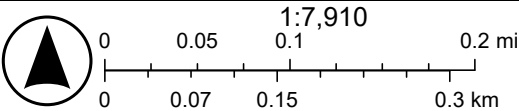
Flinders has undertaken work off the windfarm areas to examine the potential effect of roads on geneflow in the lizard populations. Whilst this work is very preliminary, the results suggest that geneflow is restricted across roads. The [REDACTED] road appears to have cut the pygmy population such that areas of the [REDACTED] on Figure 3) adjacent to the Main Site lizards are more closely related to other lizards at the [REDACTED] despite the Main site lizards being geographically closer to them.



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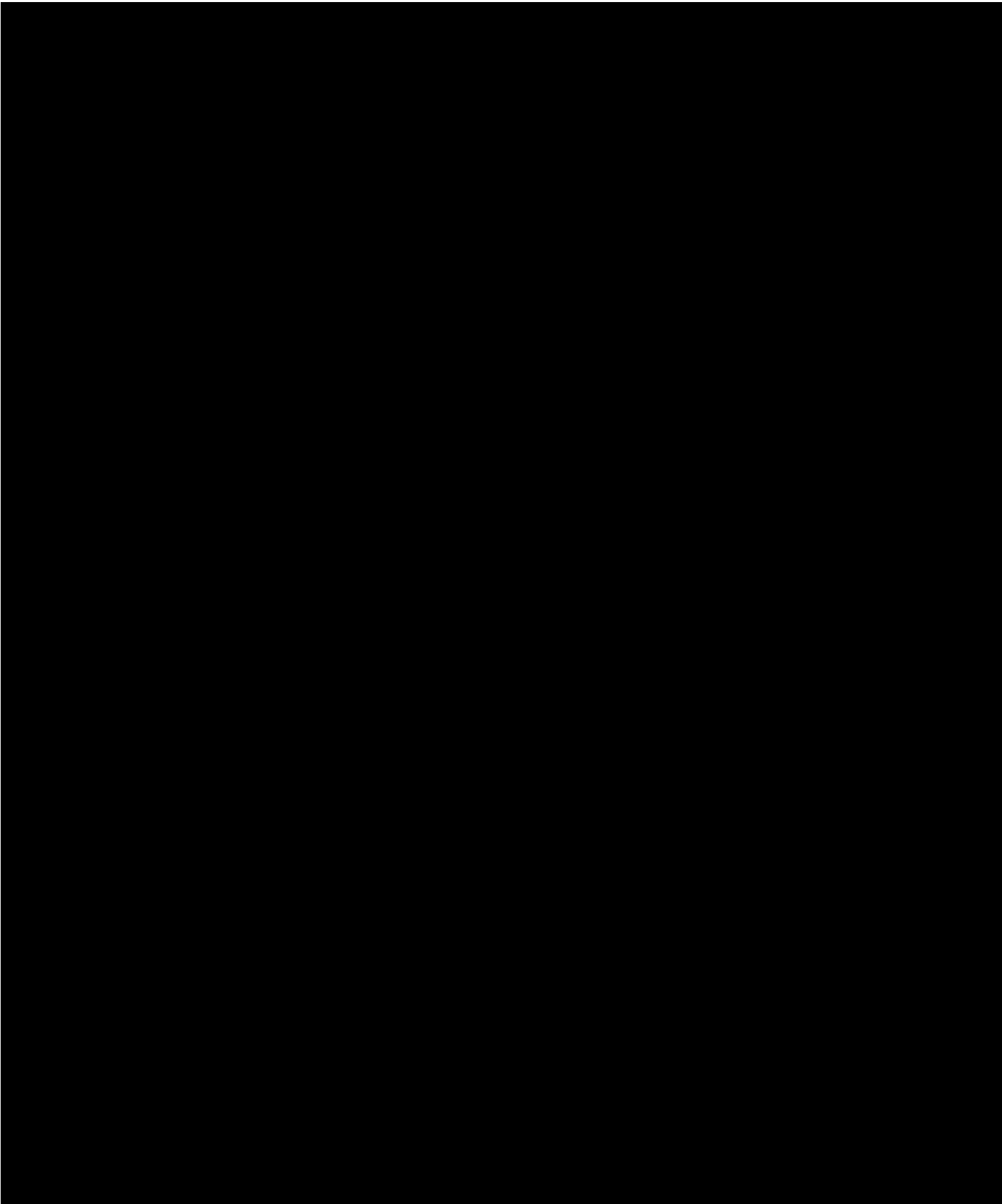
 PBT Burrows



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Figure 1. Map of  showing lizards found by Flinders University

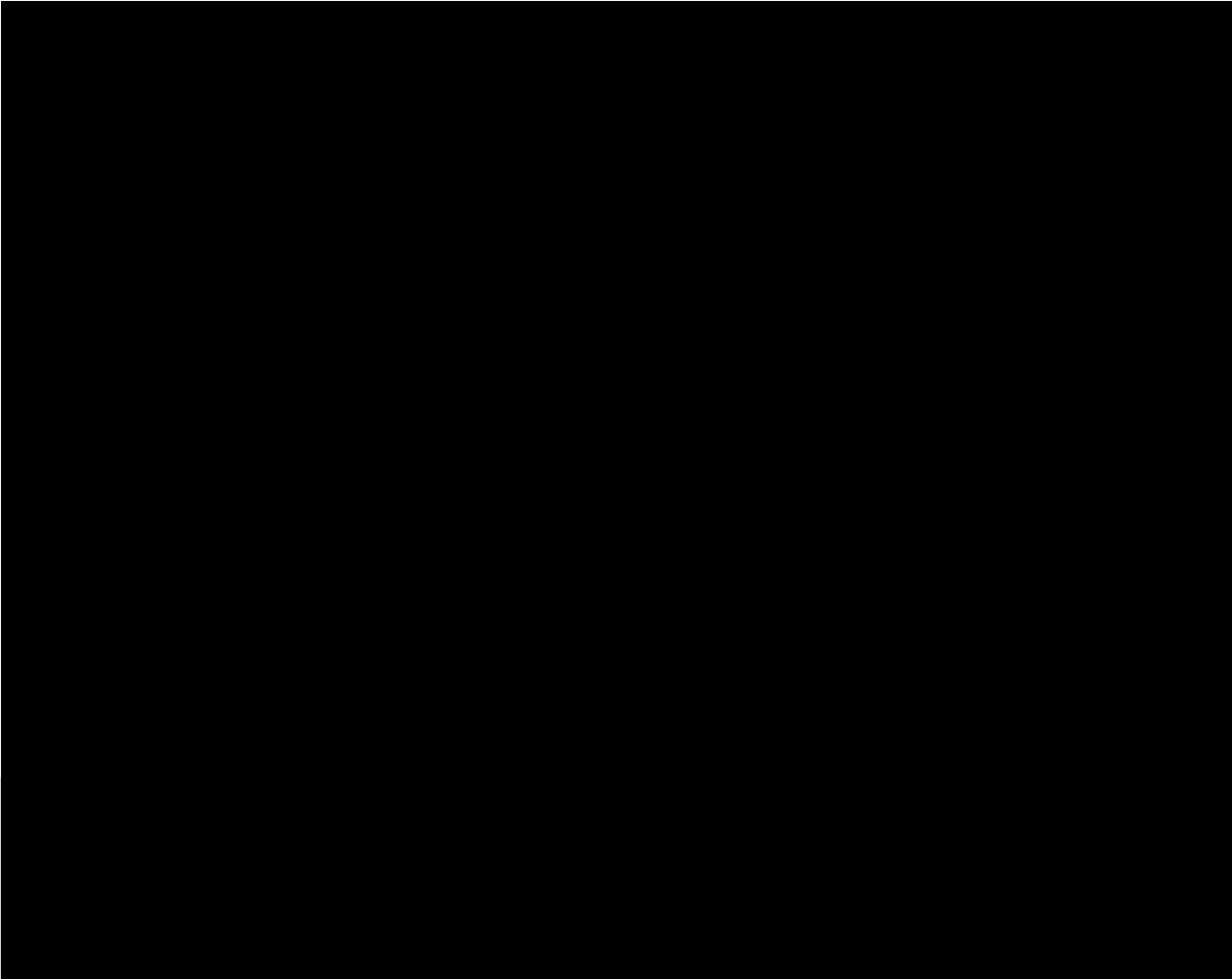
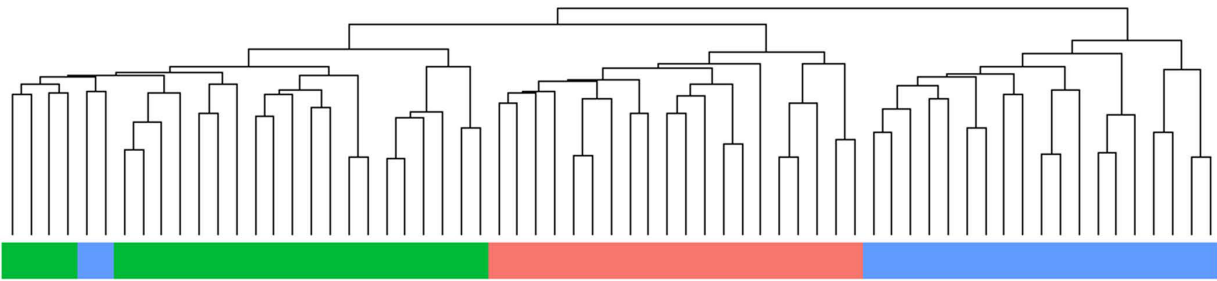


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Figure 2 Map of Goyder North site

Clustering of samples, by descent



Appendix O

Audit Close Out Letter From the Department



Australian Government

Department of Climate Change, Energy,
the Environment and Water

Our reference: EPBC 2021/8958

Ines Bechemel
Project Manager – Australia
Goyder Wind Farm 1 Pty Ltd
Level 21 570 George Street
SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Ines,

RE: Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility – Wind Farm 1A, 10 km South of Burra, South Australia (EPBC 2021/8958) – Closing out audit

I write in relation to the abovementioned audit, undertaken by the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (the department) that commenced on 24 April 2024.

The audit found that Goyder Wind Farm 1 Pty Ltd were compliant with the majority of the conditions and requirements of the EPBC 2021/8958 approval. The compliance audit found that the Goyder Wind Farm 1 Pty Ltd demonstrated:

- **Compliance** with 3 conditions
- **Non-compliance** with 2 conditions
- **Not Applicable** for 3 conditions

The attached report details the outcomes of the audit. Any non-compliances will be referred internally for further evaluation and appropriate action.

Please ensure you continue to maintain accurate records of all activities associated with, or relevant to, the conditions of your EPBC Act approval. Such documents and records may be used in the future to further verify compliance with the conditions of approval.

The approval conditions may be subject to further audits and compliance activity in the future. Any findings of compliance and/or non-compliance are relevant to the audit and findings may be reconsidered if new or conflicting information becomes available.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Conor Dwyer on 04 4784 8907, or by email at conor.dwyer@dcceew.gov.au and audit@dcceew.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Helen Hodgkins'.

Helen Hodgkins
Assistant Director
Environmental Audit Section
29 October 2024

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Appendix P

Notification to the Department of Published Compliance Report

From: Ralph Mitchell <ralph.mitchell@neoen.com>
Sent: Friday, 27 September 2024 10:25 AM
To: EPBC Monitoring
Cc: Sofia Cremonini
Subject: Goyder 1A EPBC Annual Compliance Report - 2024
Attachments: GSWF Stage 1A EPBC Approval Annual Compliance_R01_20240924_Final.pdf

Hi There,

Please find attached the Goyder 1A EPBC Annual Compliance Report for the 12-month period 7 July 2023 – 6 July 2024.

In accordance with clause 17 of the Goyder 1A EPBC Approval, a redacted version of the document was uploaded to the project website on the 27th of September 2024, and can be found [here](#).

Kind Regards,

Ralph Mitchell
Junior Construction Project Manager



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Appendix Q

Notification of Non-compliance



From: Ralph Mitchell <ralph.mitchell@neoen.com>
Sent: Monday, 30 September 2024 5:37 PM
To: EPBC Monitoring
Subject: Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility - Wind Farm 1A
Attachments: 20240930 GSWF-DCCEEW-Notice-of-Non-Compliance_signed.pdf

Dear Compliance Monitoring Team Member,

Please see attached a notice of an incident at the Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility – Wind Farm 1A.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Kind Regards,

Ralph Mitchell
Junior Construction Project Manager



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Appendix R

Submission of Non-compliance Report

From: Ralph Mitchell <ralph.mitchell@neoen.com>
Sent: Monday, 14 October 2024 4:48 PM
To: EPBC Monitoring
Subject: RE: Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility - Wind Farm 1A
Attachments: 20241014-EPBC Non-Compliance-Disturbance Outside Project Area_signed.pdf

Dear Compliance Monitoring Team Member,

Please see attached final incident report from an incident that occurred at the Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility – Wind Farm 1A.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Kind Regards,

Ralph Mitchell
M. +61 474 731 841

From: Ralph Mitchell
Sent: Monday, 30 September 2024 6:07 PM
To: EPBC Monitoring <epbcmonitoring@dcceew.gov.au>
Subject: Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility - Wind Farm 1A

Dear Compliance Monitoring Team Member,

Please see attached a notice of an incident at the Goyder South Hybrid Renewable Energy Facility – Wind Farm 1A.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Kind Regards,

Ralph Mitchell
Junior Construction Project Manager



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