## State Development, Tourism, Innovation and Manufacturing Committee

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To: State Development, Tourism, Innovation and Manufacturing Committee

**Cc:** Admin - Wide Bay Burnett Environment Council

**Subject:** WBBEC submission – Forest Wind Farm Development Bill 2020

## **Committee Secretary**

State Development, Tourism, Innovation and Manufacturing Committee Parliament House George Street Brisbane Qld 4000

Dear Sir/Madam

The Wide Bay Burnett Environment Council Inc (WBBEC) wishes to make the following submission re the Forest Wind Farm Development Bill 2020 (the Bill):

- . The Bill proposes to provide tenure within the Toolara, Tuan and Neerdie State forests to enable a proposed major renewable energy project (the Forest Wind project) for the Wide Bay Burnett region to occur. WBBEC supports renewable energy projects in the region, for greenhouse gas reduction, sustainable economic development and local job creation. In principle, WBBEC therefore supports the Bill, subject to the comment below.
- . All ecological losses associated with the project are offset, including for any disturbance to vegetation at creek crossings and vegetation clearing due to power line access to the site from Woolooga substation through to the pine plantation area.

This submission is made on behalf of WBBEC with the approval of the WBBEC Executive Committee.

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission.

Yours sincerely,

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We pay our respects to their elders past, present and emerging, and acknowledge that their sovereignty was never ceded.