

# PROPOSED SPRINGDALE SOLAR FARM

This newsletter aims to provide ongoing updates to the local community for the solar farm proposal.

# RES TO COMPLETE THE DEVELOPMENT OF SPRINGDALE SOLAR FARM

RES, the world's largest independent renewable energy company, has acquired the Sutton Solar Development assets from Renew Estate. The Sutton Solar Farm will generate up to 100MW per annum and is located approximately 8km north west of Sutton on Tallagandra Lane. Renew Estate is stepping away from this project to focus on its other developments.

RES is currently undertaking a thorough review of the project and is liaising with the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment, to discuss next steps.

The Sutton Solar Farm will generate approximately 200 jobs during the construction phase, and five permanent direct jobs during operations.

RES is committed to sourcing both jobs and materials locally where feasible, enhancing an increased demand for local services such as accommodation and food services.

There will be a one-off Community Fund of \$100,000 to support additional projects directly within the local community.

More information is available on the project website:

www.springdalesolarfarm.com.au

### INDICATIVE TIMELINE



#### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT— COVID-19 APPROACH

In the current context of COVID-19, social distancing is a key approach to managing this global pandemic and transmission of the virus to our communities. This means that community and stakeholder engagement activities need to adapt and utilise techniques that do not require face to face interaction. Over the next weeks, we will be putting a plan in place for community consultation and stakeholder engagement for Springdale Solar Farm.

#### SPRINGDALE PROJECT TEAM - KEY CONTACTS



Steven Reid, the Development Project Manager, is based in RES' Sydney office and is responsible for leading the project team for the Springdale Solar Farm. As a Chartered Surveyor, Steven has in excess of 15 years working in property and development. Working for the RES UK business since 2013, Steven moved to Sydney in 2016 to work on RES' Australian solar portfolio, which has included the successful delivery of the Emerald Solar Farm in Oueensland, Steven has a young family which keeps him busy, but he always finds time to run and cycle to help balance his work and life.



Susan Findlay Tickner is based in Horsham in regional Western Victoria, and has worked in Communications and Stakeholder Engagement for 25 years across the agricultural and renewable energy sectors. Joining RES in 2018 to work on the Murra Warra Wind Farm construction, Susan has moved into a National role with RES to encompass communications and engagement across their broader portfolio.

Susan is a Partner in a large dry-land cropping enterprise near Horsham. The enterprise has a focus on the agribusiness supply chain, specifically around the production and marketing of cereals, pulses and oilseeds. Susan is an avid runner and horse rider.

## **NEXT STEPS**

We are looking forward to (digitally) meeting the stakeholders of this project over the next weeks. RES are also in discussions with the NSW Department of Planning, Industry & Environment regarding the Development Application timeline.

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