

Dear Sir/Madan

I wish to express my opinion about the wind farms in rural areas.

While I currently live in the Dandenong Ranges I am about to purchase a property in Creswick Victoria.

There are many reason I have selected Creswick

1 was that the town has access to a railway station

2 it is cooler in summer and

3 there is power being produced via a wind farm in the local area.

Once I move to Creswick I hope to get involved with Hepburn wind and buy in to any future development.

In the future any rural towns with its own renewal energy supply will be a great place to be. Especially if local people support the farm and work to maintain the farm.

The reason I say this is that the price of energy will increase greatly in the coming years, having a stake in a local power company will be profitable for the the local investors , the community and the green image of the town.

i understand there a number of negative impressions from people concerned about environment impacts but here people do not have the facts, have not visited a wind farm and have not read the research.

I have visited a number of Wind farms and in my opinion they are beautiful, they provide a modest income for the farmer and there is very little noise from them , even if you stand under them.

In Australia we need to have as many opinion for a green clean future and wind farms are available option for now.. not a maybe opinion for later.

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