

Workforce accommodation

Yanco Delta Wind Farm is a proposed **1.5 GW wind farm** located approximately 10 km north-west of Jerilderie within the NSW South West Renewable Energy Zone. The Project was approved on 23 December 2023 and includes the construction of **up to 208 wind turbines**, an **800 MW / 800 MWh BESS** and associated infrastructure, capable of generating enough renewable energy to power approximately 750,000* homes each year.

Project modification

As Project planning has progressed, several factors have made design adjustments necessary to ensure safe, efficient and successful delivery of the Project. These include:

- New constraints from nearby transmission projects
- Updates to construction methodologies
- Turbine supplier requirements
- Landholder, community and key stakeholder feedback
- The need to avoid sensitive biodiversity and Aboriginal cultural heritage areas.



The modification to the approved project responds to design needs, environmental constraints and community input.

Temporary workforce accommodation

- The original approval anticipated **up to 300 workers per day**, with 75–150 workers requiring accommodation across nearby towns.
- Updated construction planning shows a peak workforce of **up to 895 workers per day**, with **up to 850 workers requiring accommodation**. This reflects revised construction methodologies, contractor requirements and the scale of work needed.
- Sole reliance on local short-term accommodation would place **significant pressure on housing, services and community amenity** in towns such as Jerilderie, Coleambally, Darlington Point and Deniliquin.



A dedicated Temporary Workers Accommodation (TWA) is proposed to house the majority of construction workers onsite and reduce community impacts.

Site selection

A detailed assessment of alternative locations considered environmental, social and operational factors, including proximity to residences, biodiversity and cultural heritage values, flood risk, road access, infrastructure constraints and distance to work areas. Input from the construction contractor, community and landholder consultation also informed the site review.

Following community feedback, the proposed TWA site was relocated from **Liddles Lane** to a revised location **off Wilson Road**. The new site is more than seven kilometres from the nearest dwelling and avoids key environmental and land use constraints.

Workforce accommodation features

The TWA would occupy up to **28 hectares** and comprise:

- Self-contained accommodation rooms
- Dining and kitchen facilities
- Laundries
- Recreational and sporting facilities
- Medical and first aid rooms
- Operational offices
- Parking
- Water storage, wastewater treatment and an effluent irrigation area
- 24-hour operations to support rotating construction shifts.

Workers would typically operate **10–12-hour shifts** while residing onsite. A **regulated wet mess** would be provided, with strict alcohol controls in place, including daily breath testing prior to shifts and a zero blood-alcohol requirement.

Community wellbeing and safety

Assessments indicate the TWA would result in **low impacts on community safety and wellbeing**. The facility would be:

- Fully fenced with gated entry
- Supported by 24/7 security
- Integrated with mental health support programs and First Aid training
- Staffed by a nurse practitioner
- Managed under the Project **Accommodation and Employment Strategy**
- Designed to minimise social and amenity impacts through ongoing consultation.

What this means for nearby towns

- Reduced demand for short-term accommodation and rental housing
- Lower pressure on local services and community facilities
- More predictable construction workforce movements
- Additional separation between construction activity and residential areas.



Example Temporary Workforce Accommodation facility. The Project TWA design is still being developed.

Where to learn more

Further detail on the TWA design, assessment and the proposed location is provided in the **Modification Report (Workforce Accommodation section 3.2.1)**.

