

North Queensland Super Hub



Community update
May 2026

A region shaping Queensland's renewable future

The North Queensland Super Hub (NQSH) is a renewable energy precinct designed to power Queensland's low-carbon future while supporting regional communities.

Located near Hughenden on Yirendali Country, NQSH includes the Prairie, Wongalee and Prairie South wind projects, which together have the potential to generate more than 4GW of clean, reliable power.

NQSH is being developed by Windlab and Fortescue, building on the lessons learned through Windlab's successful delivery of the Kennedy Energy Park.

As the projects continue to progress, we remain focused on working closely with landholders, Traditional Owners, Council and the broader community to ensure the benefits are shared across the region.

Social Impact Assessment to get underway

Windlab and Fortescue have engaged ERM to deliver a Social Impact Assessment (SIA) for the Prairie and Wongalee projects.

The SIA will identify and assess potential social impacts associated with the projects and help inform planning and decision-making as development progresses. The assessment will support the development of management measures aimed at responsibly avoiding, minimising and managing impacts.

The SIA will also help inform the development of a Community Benefit Framework focused on delivering enduring regional value through local employment, procurement opportunities, skills development and targeted community investment.

Local perspectives are key to help shape this process.

Scan the QR code to take a short survey to share your feedback on the project. You can also indicate if you are interested in being involved in more detailed discussions as consultation continues.



Acknowledgement of Country

Windlab acknowledges the Yirendali people as the Traditional Owners of the land on which the North Queensland Super Hub projects are proposed. We honour their sacred and enduring connection to Country, culture, and community, and we thank them for their ongoing support and collaboration.

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Festival of Outback Skies shines again

The 2026 Festival of Outback Skies delivered another standout weekend in Hughenden, bringing together locals and visitors to celebrate the spirit and character of the Flinders region.

Windlab's team was proud to once again support the festival and take part across the weekend's program, from Friday night's rodeo through to volunteering behind the scenes at the Dinner Under the Stars event.

Saturday evening brought plenty of energy and atmosphere, with live entertainment, great company and a packed dancefloor under the outback sky.

Events like the Festival of Outback Skies play an important role in bringing communities together and celebrating what makes the region unique.

A sincere thank you to the organisers, volunteers and everyone involved in delivering another successful festival for the region.





See you at the Hughenden Show



Windlab and Fortescue will be attending the Hughenden Show with a community information stall on Saturday 30 May.

The team will be available throughout the day to chat about the Prairie and Wongalee projects, upcoming project activities and the Social Impact Assessment process.

We look forward to catching up with familiar faces and meeting new members of the community, so please stop by and say hello.

Supporting community led events and initiatives

As development of the North Queensland Super Hub continues, our focus remains on building long-term partnerships with local communities and ensuring the region shares in the opportunities created by the projects.

This includes backing local events and organisations, and we are proud to support the following initiatives in 2026:

Hughenden Show

The region's premier showcase of local agriculture and community spirit.

Hughenden Sports Weekend

Delivering coaching clinics for local kids.

Hughenden Rugby 7s

Annual social competition attracting teams from all over Queensland.

Flinders Classic Challenge and Campdraft

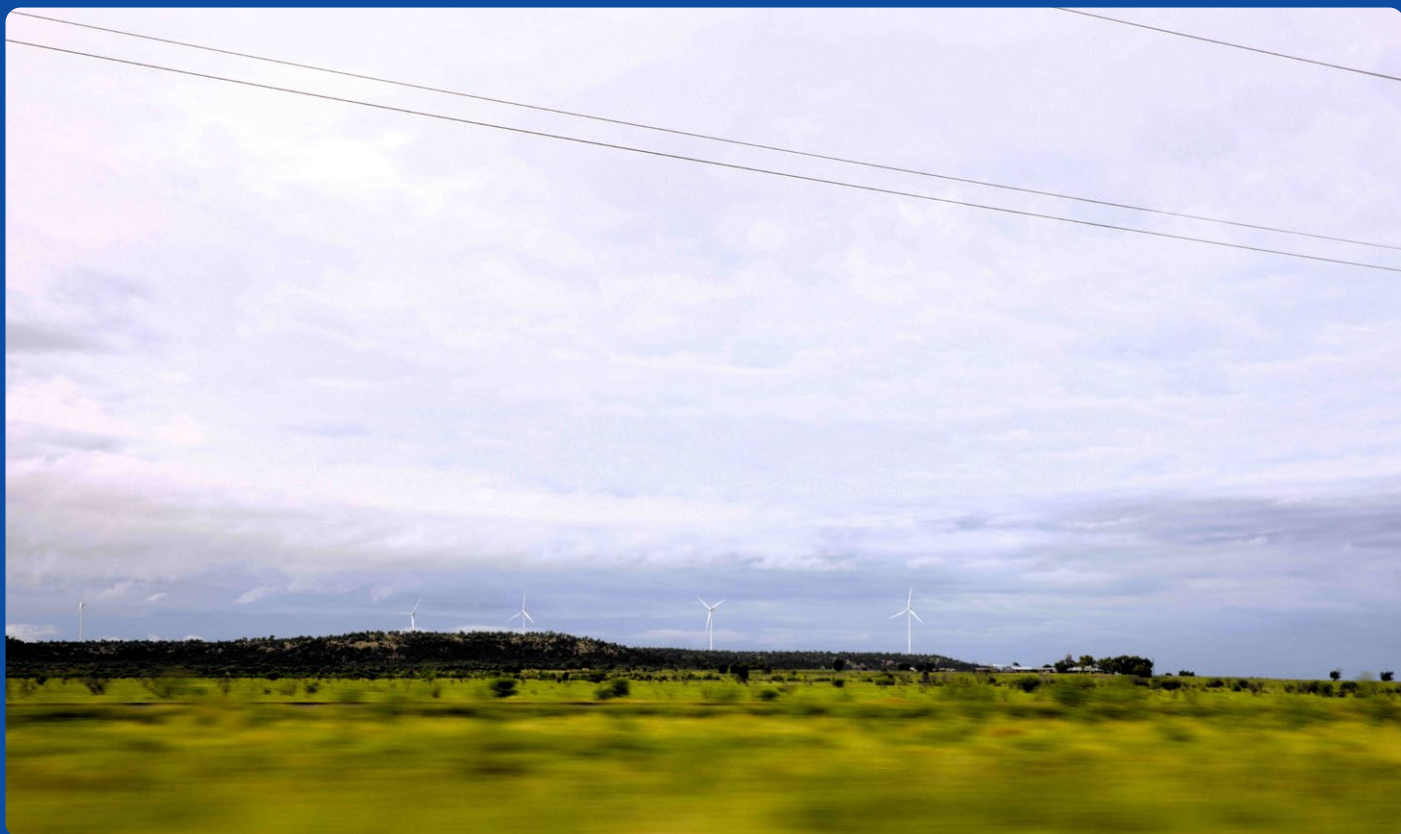
This family-oriented event is back in 2026.

NAIDOC week in Flinders Shire

A community-led celebration of First Nations culture, identity and achievement.

STEM Changemakers Hughenden event

Empowering regional girls to build confidence and capability.



Project updates

Prairie Wind Farm

Prairie is currently the most advanced project within the North Queensland Super Hub.

The project has secured both State Development Approval and Commonwealth environmental approval under the Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation (EPBC) Act, meaning it is now fully permitted and ready to proceed once commercial and transmission arrangements are finalised.

Wongalee Wind Farm

Wongalee secured State Development Approval in 2025 and is currently progressing through Commonwealth assessment under the EPBC Act.

As part of this process, EPBC Act assessment documentation will soon be released for public exhibition, providing the community with an opportunity to review the material and provide feedback.

Public exhibition is currently expected to occur in mid-2026 and we will keep you informed as the opportunity to comment approaches.

Prairie South Wind Farm

Prairie South is in the early stages of development, with feasibility studies and wind resource monitoring underway.