



### Crookwell 3, NSW

Tract Consultants, on behalf of Union Fenosa Wind Australia Pty Ltd, prepared and lodged a comprehensive Environmental Assessment to support a planning application for the construction and operation of a wind energy facility known as the Crookwell 3.

The Crookwell 3 Wind Farm is a major project aimed at providing renewable energy into the national electricity market. Renewable energy, such as wind generated electricity, meets Federal, State and Local Government objectives of reducing greenhouse emissions and mitigating the impacts of climate change.

Environmentally, the wind farm would displace between up to 209,000 tonnes of greenhouse gases and provide 33,000 households with electricity per year. Economically, the wind farm would invest \$90 - \$110 million into the economy and create 46 jobs. Socially, the wind farm would fund community enhancement projects, upgrade local roads, assist in addressing the population decline, and position the area as a leader in renewable energy industries.

The wind farm site has an area of 1,500 ha, and is located approximately 17km south east of Crookwell, in the southern tablelands of NSW.

A team of consultants were engaged to assess the proposed Crookwell 3 Wind Farm and its impacts and benefits. Tract played a key role in managing and coordinating these consultants.

Tract also prepared newsletters to the local community about the proposed wind farm and the status of the application, and attended the Community Information Day to discuss the project with interested members of the community and other stakeholders.

Tract also prepared a series of Information Day posters for public exhibition which provided information to the community and stakeholders about the project and the specialist consultant findings.