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TRUenergy Tallawarra community update

A big thank you to all who attended our fifth Community Information and Feedback Session at the Koonawarra Community Centre on the 9th of June.

It was a great opportunity for our project team to talk with members of the local community about the future of Tallawarra Lands. These sessions have been very valuable in guiding our planning for the site.

TRUenergy remains committed to ongoing engagement with relevant stakeholders about its Tallawarra projects.

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Where the concept plan is heading

Tallawarra Lands is a site of over 500 hectares. Its development will produce significant environmental benefits and support the regional economy.

At the information session TRUenergy presented our initial ideas for the site's concept plan. These are consistent with and build upon Wollongong's new Local Environmental Plan (LEP). The concept plan contains a range of land uses permitted by the LEP, including conservation, employment, housing and tourism.

These uses will be supported by a range of on-site facilities and amenities such as parks, recreational tracks and shops, as required to service the new and surrounding communities.

Over a dozen specialist studies are being undertaken to prepare the Tallawarra Lands Concept Plan application, which will be publicly exhibited once finalised.

These studies help ensure that the Concept Plan is properly thought out, and can provide good social, environmental and economic outcomes for the region.

Many of the experts preparing these studies were at the Community Information Session to talk through their initial findings with the community.



Our fifth Community Information & Feedback Session

What we heard from the community

At the session we heard a range of views about the proposal. Some of the matters raised included:

- the timeframe for the development;
- how the development would change the views of the area;
- arrangements to minimise traffic flow through Koonawarra;
- a desire to see a continuous pathway and parkland around the lake foreshore;
- current misuse of the land by trail bike riders;
- maintaining water quality of the lake; &
- the type of sustainability initiatives being considered.

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