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WINTON SOLAR FARM PROJECT UPDATE

FRV, a global renewable energy solutions provider and leading solar developer, has completed construction of the 85 MW AC Winton Solar Farm, near Benalla in Victoria.

October 2021 – What is happening on site?



Our new water storage tank, recently installed by Hunkin Water Cartage.



Mowing under solar panels using our new custom remote controlled mower (above) and personnel receiving training in the new mower's operation (below).



Waminda House community members using new wicking beds funded via a Winton Solar Farm Community Grant.



Health and Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Safety of all workers is a priority for us. Pragmatic, clear and effective practices are in place across the site to ensure a safe and healthy workplace for employees, contractors and visitors.</i> • 8 employees and contractors currently onsite. • Full site safety inductions for all visitors required. • An 'Emergency Management Drill' has been run to ensure all site staff and visitors are aware of site evacuation and incident management procedures.
Major activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioning works 92% complete. • All engineering and construction works complete. • The Solar Farm's Bushfire Mitigation Plan is now available - thanks to the region's CFA Brigade for advice and input to ensure this bushfire mitigation strategies onsite will protect human life, property, cultural and natural values from fire. To see this plan, please visit http://wintonsolarfarm.com/news-and-events/ • Comprehensive slashing of grass under panels and around the site is underway, in preparation for summer – and the need to reduce fuel loads. • Planning for sheep grazing to return to the site is underway.
Community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Given wet conditions and ongoing COVID restrictions, all face-to-face community activities have been temporarily suspended. We hope to resume these in coming months. • The Winton Solar Farm Community Grants Program will open for applications this month – please visit our website for further information on how to apply. http://wintonsolarfarm.com/community/
Employment	<p>A new full-time position is currently available to work an Electrician as part of our onsite Operations and Maintenance team. Please visit https://www.northeastvictorianjobs.com.au/job/43290/electrician-operations-maintenance-team to apply or contact Site Manager, Paul Stacey, for more information. pstacey@gransolar.com</p>
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