

## **December 2017 community update**

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Dear resident

By the time you receive this you will, hopefully, be in the wind-down to Christmas and the holiday season.

I hope 2017 has been a good year for you and your family. It's certainly been a very busy one for the Ventus Energy team with a huge amount of time devoted to meeting with local residents and stakeholders to outline the proposal to establish a wind farm on the northern reaches of the Kaimai Ranges at Tirohia.

In September we held two very successful, well attended Public Information Days at the offices of Positive Paeroa and we recently met with residents of Rotokohu and Thorp Roads to hear and respond to their concerns. We have also met, and continue to talk with, local Iwi to understand areas of cultural value and possible concern.

At this stage, we are hoping to file the Consent Application with the Hauraki District Council in January 2018. At that point, the application will be publicly declared and you will have the opportunity to go onto the Council website and read the raft of expert reports which have been prepared on the proposal. Research topics range from a six year research study on the impact on ecology, to noise levels, impact on property values and traffic management.

The latest information on the proposal is available to you now, however, on the Kaimai Wind Farm website – www.kaimiwind.nz. Resources include answers to questions which have been posed by residents, to a series of photomontages which depict how the wind farm will look from various vantage points in the region. If you have a question, which hasn't been answered in the Q&A, please get it to us via the contact page on the website. We will answer directly to you, and add it to the Q&A.

I look forward to coming back to you in the New Year to confirm the application has been filed, but in the meantime want to wish you and your families a very happy and safe Christmas and New Year.

Yours sincerely

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