



## Training session

# Wind Farm Symposium

In South Australia, over one quarter of our electricity demands are currently fulfilled by wind power from wind farms located primarily in and around the Yorke Peninsula, Fleurieu Peninsula, mid-North, South-East, Southern Eyre Peninsula, Riverland and Murray Mallee areas of the State. With demand increasing for renewable energy, wind farm development proposals will continue to be lodged (and are being lodged right now) for wind farms in these areas and, as power infrastructure continues to be upgraded, in additional rural and country areas.

In this context, 2014 is shaping up to be a significant year for wind farm developments, with development applications already lodged or close to being lodged for new and significant wind farms, and with the first appeal against a wind farm proposal since 2011 expected to be heard in the ERD Court in the coming months.

This symposium is designed for Council planning officers, managers, CEOs, elected members and CDAP members and intends to provide attendees with detailed, non-political knowledge of acoustic engineering and legal issues relevant to wind farm developments.

### Content

- Acoustics 101: how is noise measured? How do acoustic engineers determine noise emissions for proposed developments?
- How can wind farm development applications be assessed and determined? What is the difference between a Council assessment, and an assessment under section 49 of the Development Act?
- How are wind farm development applications assessed? Which facts and considerations are relevant and which are irrelevant? How is wind farm noise assessed?
- The role of State Government agency referrals and guidelines in wind farm assessments.
- How can community concern be addressed and managed by Councils, elected members and CDAP members?
- How and when do the public "have a say" in respect of wind farm applications?
- Recent wind farm case law authorities and their impact on future wind farm developments.

### Date & Time

Friday 7 March 2014, 10.30am to 3.30pm

### Cost

\$295.00 + GST (includes morning and afternoon tea).

### Location

Clare Town Hall, Main North Road, Clare

## Presenters

### Matthew Stead – Resonate Acoustics

Matthew is the Director of Resonate Acoustics. He has over 20 years' experience as a Professional acoustic consultant in Adelaide, Melbourne and a year in the USA with an internationally recognised noise and vibration consultancy. Matthew has had roles, leading and establishing offices in Melbourne and across Australia. He specialises in acoustics with niche expertise in a variety of areas such as environmental acoustics, transportation noise and vibration.

### Jon Cooper – Resonate Acoustics

Jon has ten years' experience working as an acoustic consultant in Adelaide, with the last five years spent almost solely in the area of wind farm acoustics. Jon has worked on a wide range of wind farm projects, and has particular expertise in the areas of compliance noise measurement and noise modelling accuracy. He has worked on more than forty wind farm sites, spread across all Australian states and international sites, so familiar with wide range of wind farm assessment procedures and guidelines.

### Victoria Shute – KelliedyJones Lawyers

Victoria has a wealth of experience and significant expertise in providing practical, succinct and strategic advice to councils and statutory bodies in the areas of planning, building and environmental law. Victoria has presented papers on wind farm law at national conferences and has provided advice and representation to councils on wind farm development applications. She is a high-quality presenter and educator often presenting papers at conferences and seminars convened by the planning and building professions.

### Joanna Osborne – KelliedyJones Lawyers

Jo advises and represents councils in a wide range of matters with particular expertise in planning, building and licencing applications, enforcements and appeals, and environmental law matters. In addition to her Law degree, Jo has a degree in Civil and Environmental Engineering. Prior to being admitted as a lawyer in 2008, she worked as an environmental engineer at the Department of Water, Land and Biodiversity Conservation.

**Further special guest presenters – *to be announced.***

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### Registration Form

Please fill in the form below, one for each person attending, and then please either fax or email the completed forms to Wendy Bozzett on 08 8113 7199 or wbozzett@kellyjones.com.au

Name:..... Organisation: .....

Title: ..... Phone: .....

Email: .....

Address: .....

#### Payment:

Once this registration form is received, we will confirm your registration via email and send you an invoice. Payment is required no later than 7 days prior to the session.

#### Cancellation Policy:

We will require a minimum of 20 registrants for the session to proceed.

#### Program Changes:

We reserve the right to defer and amend the session as required.

#### Alternative Locations:

We are able to attend your local area to conduct this session on an alternative date. For an alternative session to be arranged, a minimum of 15 participants must register for the session and a location with coffee and tea facilities must be provided. If you are interested in arranging an alternative session, please contact Wendy Bozzett on 08 8113 7101.