



# Collgar Wind Farm



Collgar Wind Farm is a renewable power project at Merredin in Western Australia's (WA) central wheatbelt, fully owned by Rest.

**Built over a land envelope of 18,000 Ha, it has 111 Vestas V90 turbines with 222 MW of installed power production capacity, generating between 650 GWh to 750 GWh per year, providing enough electricity to power a small city of between 125,000 to 150,000 average Western Australian households per year. Rest takes an active interest in this flagship investment with a senior manager represented on the board.**

The Collgar Community Fund (CCF) has been established by the Wind Farm. It grants \$100,000 annually to support local projects that benefit the Shire of Merredin and the surrounding areas. Through the CCF, Collgar Wind Farm supports initiatives that strengthen the local community and make a positive contribution to its development and long term sustainability.

One such initiative was led by Indigenous Hip Hop Projects and produced a music video focusing on Aboriginal health. "Gotta Keep it Strong" was made with Njaki Njaki Aboriginal Community elders and children, and focuses on preventing infectious disease and the importance of good health.

This Wind Farm does a lot more than generate an affordable supply of renewable energy. It has led to local jobs and revenue for farmers who have leased their land while also engaging the community and creating social benefits. It has recently been recognised by GRESB, an international organisation that assesses and benchmarks the environmental, social and governance performance of infrastructure assets. Collgar Wind Farm has been awarded a GRESB five-star rating and ranked first among wind power generation facilities, in Oceania, and 7th amongst all participating wind power generation facilities, globally.

