

# **Meridian Energy Developments**

## **Frequently Asked Questions – Project West Wind**

### **How long will the development take?**

About 30 months, starting October 2007.

#### **Milestones and timeframes:**

Due to adverse weather, the following time frames have changed:

- South Makara roadworks completed, or near to completed by 21 December 2007
- Makara Road - work will stop from 21 December to 6 January 2008, if work is outstanding it will restart on 7 January 2008.
- Enabling works on site Oct 07 - Jan 08
- Internal roads Nov 07 - Apr 08
- Foundations, trenching Jan 08 - Mar 09
- Substation Feb 08 - Oct 08
- First turbines installed - Nov 08
- Final turbines installed - Aug 09
- Final commissioning - Dec 09

### **Where can I get more information?**

- From Meridian's website: [www.meridianenergy.co.nz/ourprojects/projectwestwind](http://www.meridianenergy.co.nz/ourprojects/projectwestwind)
- Visit Meridian's Project West Wind Information Centre in the Karori Mall

### **What are the hours of work during construction?**

Generally, Monday to Saturday and the occasional Sunday.  
No trucks will be on the public roads on Saturdays and Sundays.

### **How big are the trucks allowed to be?**

Trucks only, no trailer units except for piloted vehicles bringing in earthmoving machinery etc.  
All gravel, cement and other building materials will be transported on trucks (no trailers) only.

### **How will they get the wind turbines to the site?**

The wind turbine components will be delivered by barge to Oteranga Bay.

### **Will the construction be happening 24 hours per day?**

Not initially, work hours will be 6.30am to 6pm (Mon-Sat).  
However, in the summer months work hours may be extended.  
There may also be night works during turbine installation.

### **Will public roads be used by wind farm traffic?**

No heavy traffic is allowed to use Makara Road north of Makara School.  
Light vehicles can use the access via Opau Road.  
Heavy traffic must use South Makara Road, and enter the site at the Terawhiti entrance.