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To whom it may concern ,

We contacted the NWFC last year in relation to the number of WEFs both operating and proposed around Hawkesdale and district [Southwest Victoria in the Moyne Shire] and how us and

many other residents are being totally surrounded or sandwiched between by these developments . Two of these projects received their permits ten years ago when no-one here knew much

about WEFs and thought they were a great idea , since then the Macarthur WEF has been built and operating [2014] and we now know that living next to a WEF is not a pleasant

experience and are now very concerned about the four WEFs planned for our local area , with one of these just 1KM from the Hawkesdale township .

The NWFC travelled to our farm and met with us and some of our neighbours in September 2017 .

He explained to us that his role is to take our complaints to the proponents of these WEFs in the hope of resolving our concerns with them . We found him to be helpful with the

information he provided to us and our community . Our complaint with Wind Prospect is still ongoing but we still contact the NFWC for help and advice when needed .

The value of the NWFC is the recommendations that he makes in his annual report, if they are implemented .

The difficulty is the different levels of government - Local ,State and Federal all overseeing different aspects of WEFs.

Compliance is the biggest issue and this responsibility falls on local councils that do not have the resources to deal with it . Also setbacks from homes and built up areas is not sufficient .

I hope his role as NWFC continues and makes a difference to this industry and the people affected by it .

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