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**\$236 MILLION RENEWABLE ENERGY BOOST FOR CENTRAL WEST  
NEW SOUTH WALES**

Central west New South Wales will receive a boost in renewable energy, with the development of a \$236 million 113 MW wind farm, near Wellington.

The Turnbull Government, through the Clean Energy Finance Corporation (CEFC), is investing \$80 million in the Bodangora wind farm project, which is the CEFC's second major investment in wind generation in regional NSW in the past year.

The Bodangora wind farm is expected to generate enough clean energy to power more than 49,000 homes.

The project will also benefit the local community by providing opportunities for direct employment during the construction phase, and indirectly through local service providers.

This investment in large-scale renewable energy projects such as Bodangora, is part of the Turnbull Government's technology neutral, non-ideological approach to provide affordable, reliable electricity as we transition to a lower emission future.

The Bodangora wind farm is expected to be operational in the latter half of 2018.

This investment brings the amount of finance the CEFC has committed to the renewable energy sector in New South Wales to \$350 million in the past four months.

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