

## BIOENERGY PROJECT UPDATE 1, December 2011

The Building Community Resilience and Adaptation to Climate Change through Distributed Bioenergy (Bioenergy Project) is focussing on establishing a strong basis on which to build the bioenergy project:

The Project Control Group (PCG) has been formed and the first meeting held 14 December 2011. Development of the Terms of Reference outline the role and function of the PCG. Initially the PCG focus is on establishing a strong governance structure for a whole of project focus across the Wimmera and Central Highlands region.

A Project Plan has been developed as a condition of the DSE Sustainability Accord funding. The Plan sets out project guidelines, budget, engagement, activities, milestone achievements and evaluation for project reporting over the 18 month project. Findings from the DSE facilitated Project Logic Workshop are also to be integrated into the Project Plan.

The budget is to be reviewed due to almost 12 months passing from the time of application submission.

### Next steps:

The project is now moving forward to the next stage, which is establishment of Reference Groups in both the Wimmera and Central Highlands regions. The opportunity will be provided for one representative from each partnering entity and community members to provide input into the bioenergy project. An update will follow early in the new year.

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