

BIOENERGY PROJECT UPDATE 11, April 2014

The Bioenergy Project (Building Community Resilience and Adaptation to Climate Change through Distributed Bioenergy) is now in its final stage with information being gathered on the operation of the new boiler system at the Beaufort Hospital (pictured below). Windows in the side of the boiler house allow the public to view the boiler which is now operating and supplying heat.

Wood chip fuel is being supplied by Pyrenees Timber who has installed a specially made chip screen, drier and storage shed to ensure the chips meet specifications for use as boiler fuel. This process adds value to what was a low value by product. Pyrenees Timber also plans to convert its drying kilns to run on the wood chips as well.



The completed boiler house



The boiler unit inside the container

Other activities for the project include completing the Horsham Aquatic Centre heating study. The study has identified potentially significant savings on heating costs by using wood waste to heat the indoor pool.

Don't forget to save April 30th for the official opening and project forum. It's an opportunity to see the facility in operation and hear about bioenergy from those involved in the installation. For more details on the forum or to RSVP, please use the contacts below.

Interest in bioenergy is starting to grow and anyone considering using it can now view a working system at the Beaufort. The boiler house is in Walker Street behind the hospital and has pedestrian access. If you have any questions or would like to learn more about the project please visit

http://www.pyrenees.vic.gov.au/What_We_Do/Environment/Regional_Bioenergy_Project
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