

## NEWRRG IMPLEMENTATION PLAN UPDATE

The board members discussed the consultation activities to be undertaken by the group in relation to their draft North East Waste and Resource Recovery Implementation Plan (north east implementation plan).

Since the April board meeting, NEWRRG has received formal notification from the Minister approving their draft Waste and Resource Recovery Implementation Plan for consultation.

A series of 'open house' public consultation sessions are being planned and will take place in May. Statutory notification on the draft north east implementation plan is also underway. The draft north east implementation plan is available in soft copy on the NEWRRG website at <http://www.newrrg.vic.gov.au/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/Draft-North-East-Implementation-Plan-April-2016-Interactive.pdf>. Hard copies can also be requested through the website and will be available after the 16 May.

## NEWRRG'S NEW EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The board welcomed incoming Executive Officer Kath Gosden to their April board meeting.

Kath grew up in Wangaratta and after a lengthy career across Victoria in local government and the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, she and her husband Andrew have relocated back to the North East region upon her successful appointment at NEWRRG.

Kath has extensive environmental planning and management experience and throughout her career has developed an extensive network of professional contacts, invaluable in her leadership role at NEWRRG.

The board welcomes Kath to the position vacated by Brooke Hermans.

## BOARD THANKS ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Board extended its thanks to Ms Michelle Hudson, who acted in the role of Executive Officer whilst the NEWRRG underwent the recruitment process for an Executive Officer.

Michelle quickly adapted to the demands and provide guidance and support to the NEWRRG staff to focus on the priority tasks including the development of the draft North East Waste and Resource Recovery Implementation Plan (north east implementation plan), board directives and statutory requirements, and planning the public consultation once the draft north east implementation plan is approved for release.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

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