

NEWRRG DRAFT WASTE & RESOURCE RECOVERY IMPLEMENTATION PLAN UPDATE

North East WRRG have been working closely with colleagues of other WRRG's and relevant staff of Sustainability Victoria, Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning and Environment Protection Authority to review and incorporate community, stakeholder and statutory comments. Additionally work has commenced to ensure the draft waste and resource recovery implementation plans are aligned and integrated with each other and the Statewide Waste and Resource Recovery Infrastructure Plan (SWWRRIP).

The final draft waste and resource recovery implementation plan must be submitted to the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change on the 14 December 2016.

Tight timelines are in place to ensure plans are aligned and integrated. Key dates are as follows:

ANNUAL REPORT 2015 – 2016 FINALISATION

The board endorsed North East WRRG's final Annual Report 2015 – 2016 at its September meeting. This report has met the requirements under both the Standing Orders and Financial Obligations as set down by state government.

As the organisation works within a budget less than \$5,000,000.00 it is only required to provide an email of the report to DELWP, a ministerial brief will be prepared in relation to this support and noted during a parliamentary sitting in October, 2016.

The Annual Report will be available on the North East WRRG website once ministerial approval has been received.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT WASTE FORUM UPDATES TO THE BOARD

Issues affecting local councils and alpine resorts will be provided by the forum to the board as they are raised. At its 12 September board meeting, the board were advised of the following key issues:-

- Collaborative partnership funding; and
- Rehabilitation standards for unlicensed landfill.

The above issues will be raised at strategic meetings with the relevant departments to enable reports to be provided back to the Local Government Waste Forum meeting in December 2016.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information on any item included in this Communique or relating to the NEWRRG please contact the Executive Officer, Kath Gosden on 0438 003 038 or kath.gosden@newrrg.vic.gov.au