



no time to waste

Rural & Regional
Waste Management Conference

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8.15 – 9.00 Registration & Coffee

SESSION ONE

9.00 - 9.15

Welcome

9.15 – 10.00

Mike Ritchie, *MRA Consulting*

10.00 – 10.30

Margie Ferguson & Sean Crowe,
Snowy River Shire Council

10.30 – 11.00

Trade Stands Panel

11.00 – 11.30

Morning Tea & Trade Stands

SESSION TWO

11.30 – 12.00

Steve Beaman, *NSW Environment Protection Authority*

12.00 – 12.30

Sarah Gorman,
Sustainability Victoria

12.30 – 1.00

Adam Faulkner,
Tweed Shire Council

1.00 – 1.45

Lunch & Trade Stands

SESSION THREE

1.45 – 2.15

Julie Briggs, *REROC*

2.15 – 2.45

Penny Davies,
Carrathool Shire Council

2.45 – 3.15

John Formosa, *NSW Public Works*

3.15 – 3.35

Tony Donoghue,
Coolamon Shire Council

Lucky Door Prize drawn

3.35 – 3.45 Wrap & Close

Speakers and Topics

MIKE RITCHIE

MRA Consulting

The State of Waste in NSW

Mike Ritchie has over 20 years' experience in environmental policy and business development. Mike is currently the Director of MRA Consulting, his firm works in the areas of waste, resource recovery, carbon and business development.

Improving the efficiency of collection, transport and recovery of waste and recyclables is critical to maximising resource recovery, reducing landfill and reducing the environmental footprint of our economy.

In the 15 years to 2012 the Australian population increased by 22%, while waste generation increased by 145%. During 2009-10, 53.7 million tonnes of waste was generated within the economy. While recycling is growing, waste generation is growing faster.

Recycling jobs are largely recession proof, green collar jobs. Recycling is one of the few growth areas in manufacturing. But we still landfill 52% of all waste generated.

This talk will cover high level waste policy and point to where innovation and reform is required including: trends in waste, local

government's role in bin systems and organics, carbon and landfill pricing, education; Container Deposits, commercial waste; Energy from Waste; NSW's Waste Less, Recycle More program and much more.

MARGIE FERGUSON & SEAN CROWE

Snowy River Shire Council

Introducing a 360L Recycling Service and using GPS Monitoring

Snowy River Shire Council first rolled out 360L recycling bins in December 2011 to residents who already received a domestic collection. In July 2012, the Council implemented 360L recycling bins for rural residents and areas across the Shire that had never received waste and recycling collections before. Snowy River Shire then introduced two brand new collection trucks into the waste and recycling fleet which were fitted with Sulo's C-Trace bin management system to collect data on the number of bins lifted. This enabled the monitoring of bin locations using GPS data to assist Council to identify 'wandering bins' during winter! Margie & Sean will talk about their experiences, successes, what they would do differently and the impact the new system has made on the community.

STEVE BEAMAN

NSW Environment Protection Authority

Waste Less, Recycle More Initiative

Steve Beaman is the Director Waste and Resource Recovery Strategy at the NSW Environment Protection Authority. Steve's role is to co-ordinate and drive the delivery of NSW waste policy and programs.

The NSW Government recently announced the release of a \$465.7 million Waste Less, Recycle More initiative for the next five years. The initiative is in response to the recommendations of the independent review of the waste levy. It brings forward a holistic and strategic approach to waste and recycling that will transform the way waste is managed in NSW.

SARAH GORMAN

Team Leader – Waste Education Programs, Sustainability Victoria

Improving household recycling practices: Get it Right on Bin Night campaign

Get it Right on Bin Night is a statewide education campaign to improve household recycling practices, first launched in Melbourne in May 2012. It involved

Speakers and Topics (cont)

funding and collaboration from the Australian Packaging Covenant, state and local government. Sarah will discuss delivering an evidence based waste education program that uses campaign media channels and behaviour change theory. She will cover the evaluation to date, including the value of a centrally coordinated campaign that is delivered both centrally and locally.

ADAM FAULKNER

Co-ordinator Waste Management, Tweed Shire Council

The past, present and future of landfilling in Tweed Shire Council

The presentation will cover three landfill sites in the Tweed Shire Council; one closed site, one current site, and a future proposed site. In relation to the closed site the presentation will focus on the capping of the landfill using modified benchmark techniques to leave the site suitable for sports' fields and storage. At the current operational site, alternative capping, using vetiver grass as a phytocap will be covered. The presentation will also cover the planning and process Tweed Shire Council undertook to gain approval for a regional putrescible landfill.

JULIE BRIGGS

Executive Officer, Riverina Eastern Regional Organisation of Councils

Using on-line solutions for effective waste management

REROC has successfully used on-line solutions to deliver waste management outcomes to the communities it services.

Yours2Take (www.yours2take.com.au) is a landfill diversion project designed to offer users the opportunity to give away items they no longer need to someone who will reuse them. The site has almost

7,000 users and over 1,300 items have been away through the site and the iPhone/iPad apps.

Safe Sharps (www.safesharps.org.au) aims to assist users to find safe disposal locations easily through either the website or the iPhone/iPad apps. Consumers can search for locations where they can dispose of their used sharps appropriately.

The presentation will demonstrate how new technologies can be applied to resolve waste issues in rural and regional locations.

PENNY DAVIES

Carrathool Shire Council

Waste Not Want Not: a rural community's response to hunger relief and waste reduction

Waste Not Want Not (WNWN) is a community based program which was first established in the Carrathool Shire of NSW by the Carrathool Community and Foodbank NSW. Initiated by Carrathool Shire Council, the Uniting Church Hillston and the DPI (Griffith) the project was quickly embraced by the whole community.

Carrathool Shire is one of NSW's primary production districts and each year much of its produce goes to waste as it is rejected by the major super market chains as 'out of specification' (too big, too small, has blemishes), none of which effects the quality of the produce. Historically, this produce goes to landfill, is ploughed back into the ground or is used as cattle feed.

Waste Not Want Not has transformed what was once large scale waste into fresh produce supplies to feed those in need in NSW and the ACT.

JOHN FORMOSA

NSW Public Works

Emergency Waste Management Plan for Asbestos and non-Asbestos Buildings.

The Wambelong Bushfire that swept through Coonabarabran and the Warrumbungle Shire, in early January resulted in damage to over 52 building structures .

Significantly complicating the start of recovery and repair work was the fact that many of these structures, and specifically those built pre 1990, were likely to have had asbestos used in their original construction.

NSW Public Works worked with stakeholders to develop an Emergency Asbestos Management Plan and Waste Management Plan, that provide a structured method to manage health risks, meet regulatory requirements and minimise waste disposed at the local land fills.

TONY DONOGHUE

Coolamon Shire Council

Viable organics collection for small communities

At the 2012 No Time to Waste Conference, a presentation was given on the REROC organics trial. During the Trial four councils worked together to introduce kerbside organics' collections to 800 households in each LGA. The councils also established a organics processing hub. Since then, Coolamon Shire Council with a population of 4,050, has introduced a kerbside food and garden waste collection to all the households in Coolamon township. The Council has also established its own organics processing site. Tony's presentation will cover how a small community can implement a cost effective organics' solution.



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