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CQWM

- A major project of the CQLGA
- Currently working with 5 member councils
- Key Objectives: To achieve positive environmental outcomes in CQ



1 Planning

- State Government's involvement
- Develop a strategy to minimise waste in regional areas.
- State Government to fund landfill infrastructure and remediation programs
- Aligning State Waste Strategy with regional strategies



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2 Licensing

- There are about 30 landfills in the region
- Mostly small – accepting less than 30, 000 tonnes of waste.
- Review the license condition
- Not all technologies suit the region (e.g. methane gas recovery systems)



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3 Data Collection

- CQWM Domestic Waste Audit
- LG Administrative Report (DERM)



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3.1 Domestic Waste Audit

- CQWM has been very successful in the Domestic Waste Audit.
- Consistency in the unit of measurement



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3.2 LG Admin Report

- Inconsistency in the LG Admin Report format/structure
- Consistency in the unit of measurement
- Waste as a separate section
- Submission of a regional report to the DERM



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Future Directions

- CQWM Strategy to be reviewed and revised
- CQWM to include E-waste as a category for Domestic Waste Audits
- CQWM to rationalise landfills and improve waste management practices in the region
- CQWM to liaise with the DERM in relation to landfill licensing, planning and improving infrastructure for waste management in the region