

SEQ Regional Waste Management Programme



Programme Background

- Discussion Papers
- Action Plan
- Regional Waste Management Programme



Regional Waste Management Programme

- Council of Mayors (SEQ) and CEOs Regional Collaboration
- WRNG advice and support
- Stakeholders include – Councils, Industry, DERM, and LGAQ.



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Draft Objectives

- SEQ regional collaboration.
- Waste avoidance, waste minimisation, litter prevention and appropriate residual waste management.
- Reduce the volume of waste being disposed of in SEQ.
- Maximise the sustainable recovery, reuse and recycling of resources.
- minimise environmental nuisance, environmental harm and risk to public health.
- Ensure the true costs of waste management are reflected in Council charging systems.
- Best practice waste and resource management in SEQ.
- Provide meaningful, consistent and reliable data.



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2010/11 RWMP Projects

- waste objectives, goals and targets
- infrastructure map and report
- waste and recycling data
- organic waste in/out of landfills
- regional process model
- full cost pricing model
- regional recycling and resource recovery partnerships
- regional priority waste system
- regional waste education resource

Partnership is Crucial

SEQ Regional Collaboration Projects require partnership approach – both with DERM and Industry:

- Streamlined Planning Processes
- Strategic Direction
- Regulation for Waste Operations
- Performance Based Approach to Monitoring

Areas of Common Interest

- Strategic Direction – alignment of DERM and RWMP Objectives etc.
- Streamlined Planning Process – assistance with infrastructure projects
- Pragmatic Regulatory Approach
 - Performance based licence conditions
 - Monitoring – appropriate operational consequences for breach of conditions
 - Consistent Risk Based Approach – beat us all with the same stick!
- Data Consistency – (G.Kavney)

Data- Then and Now

- Local Government influence
- DERM – 13 % ??
- Previous attempts
- Some tales
- Importance – Regional, State, National
- Apples and Oranges

Data – Then and Now (con'd)

- Regional Government political will
- Emerging State Strategy
- Emergent National Policy
- Still Apples and Oranges...but!!
- Changing drivers but objectives remain

Data - Future

- First things First
- Evidence based Policy
- Objectives, targets, services, technology, infrastructure
- So What !

Action

- Better understanding – regional, state and national
- Need for infrastructure
- Definitions **MUST** be consistent
- Don't duplicate reporting requirements
- Mandate data collection
- Audit ability
- Data management control and interpretation ?

Food for Thought

Possible Approaches:

1. Secondment with Councils
2. Independent Waste Advisor Scheme