



Resource Recovery Update

July 2010: At its 20 May 2010 Council meeting, the Eastern Metropolitan Regional Council (EMRC) made a number of decisions regarding the planned resource recovery facility (RRF).

These decisions included:

1. The preferred site for the RRF is Red Hill Waste Management Facility.
2. The RRF technology options include anaerobic digestion, gasification, pyrolysis and combustion. Plasma technology will only be considered if it is an integral part of one of these technologies.
3. A third bin for household organic waste collection will be considered in conjunction with anaerobic digestion, otherwise a two bin system is recommended for the thermal technology options.
4. That Design and Construct (D&C) is the preferred contract model to a Build Own Operate (to be reviewed before tender).
5. The project would progress to the next stage - the environmental and planning approvals process.

Future community engagement

With the preferred site chosen, community engagement activities will focus on the communities surrounding the Red Hill Waste Management Facility.

The first stage of engagement will be to undertake doorknocking within a one kilometre radius of the boundaries of the waste facility, with the purpose of providing site neighbours with an opportunity to directly comment on the development of the planned facility.

Community Partnership Agreement (CPA)

A taskforce is being established to develop a Community Partnership Agreement (CPA). This agreement is a document that will outline the community's expectations in relation to the development and operation of the proposed facility.

Community Task Force (CTF)

EMRC is currently seeking nominations from people within its six member Councils, who have links into the local community, an ability to canvas local views and opinions and an ability to commit to the process. There will be eight scheduled meetings over a twelve month period.

The CTF will be made up of ten representatives, two representatives will be chosen who live in direct proximity to the Red Hill facility, two from within a ten kilometre radius and four members will be chosen from the wider eastern region, to provide representation of regional views. The final two representatives will be made up of EMRC members.

Apart from guiding the development of the CPA, it is expected the task force will provide community input into a review of the tender evaluation criteria for the new facility.

Interested in Nominating?

Please download an information pack containing a nomination form from our **website: www.emrc.gov.au** or **phone Stephen Fitzpatrick on 9424 2222** or **email: resourcerecovery@emrc.org.au**

Would you like to represent your community? Then nominate now for our Community Task Force.

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