

Proposed location for the resource recovery facility

The RRF is proposed to be located within the Red Hill Waste Management Facility as seen below. The site will be on previously cleared farmland, and will require a maximum of four hectares.



Communicating with you

We want to keep you informed about what's happening with the Resource Recovery Project.

We will do this via updates on our website, in a regular column in your local newspaper, and by newsletters. If you would like to receive a printed copy of the newsletter in the future, please call us on **(08) 9424 2222**. If you would like to receive the newsletter and future updates electronically to save on paper (and waste!) we'll happily oblige. Just send an email to us at **mail@rgang.org.au** with 'RRP update' in the subject line.

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In partnership with its six member councils, EMRC is proposing to establish a resource recovery facility (RRF) to process member council municipal solid waste within the Red Hill Waste Management Facility using either anaerobic digestion technology to produce biogas for electricity production and compost; or gasification technology to produce renewable power. The facility would be capable of diverting between 70-90% of council waste from landfill.

Have your say...

Public submissions sought for proposed resource recovery facility

As part of the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) requirements to gain environmental approval, EMRC has prepared a Public Environmental Review (PER) to examine the environmental and health impacts associated with each technology option. This document is now available for public comment.

The PER contains an assessment of the potential effects of developing and operating the resource recovery facility. It describes the proposal, examines the likely environmental impacts and the proposed environmental management procedures. Key considerations in the document include air quality, noise, odour, traffic and human health.

"I am pleased to see that the results of the report indicate that both technologies meet environmental and health standards", said EMRC Chairman, Cr Alan Pilgrim. "EMRC is making the PER widely available for the community. I strongly encourage anyone interested in the facility to read the document," he said.

The PER is available for a public review period of eight weeks from 23 July 2012, closing on 17 September 2012. Please refer to page two of this newsletter to find out where to go to view a copy of the PER. Comments from the public will help the EPA to prepare an assessment report in which it will make recommendations to government.



Learn more! Come along to a community information session

All residents – particularly those in close proximity to Red Hill – are invited to attend a public information session to learn about the results of the PER. Project officers and environmental consultants will be available to answer your questions.

Please see inside for session details ►

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Why should I read the PER?

The Public Environmental Review (PER) is an important read for any member of the community who would like to know more about the resource recovery facility or has questions about its potential health or environmental impacts.

The PER review stage is also a time in which you, or any member of the community, can express your views about the facility to the EPA by writing a submission.



CONTENTS OF THE PER INCLUDE:

- Description of the resource recovery facility proposal
- Justification of the proposal and alternatives considered
- Community engagement
- Human health assessment
- Risk assessment of possible environmental impacts
- Environmental assessments of air quality, noise, odour and other priority factors

Read the PER online at emrc.org.au/per.html

Where can I view a copy of the PER?

The complete PER can be viewed and downloaded at www.emrc.org.au/per.html or in person at:

- **Environmental Protection Authority**
Library / Reading Room
4th Floor, The Atrium,
168 St Georges Terrace, Perth
- **J S Battye Library**
25 Francis Street, Perth Cultural Centre
- **State Library**
25 Francis Street, Perth Cultural Centre
- **Bassendean Library**
50 Old Perth Road, Bassendean
- **Morley Library**
Dewar St, Morley (opp. Woolworths, Galleria)
- **Belmont Public Library**
215 Wright Street, Cloverdale

- **Kalamunda Library**
7 Williams Street, Kalamunda
- **Midland Library**
45 Helena Street, Midland
- **Mundaring Library**
Nichol Street, Mundaring

Printed copies (CD included) of the complete PER can be purchased for \$10.00 (inc. GST / postage & handling), or free of charge in CD format only, from:

- EMRC**
1st Floor, Ascot Place
226 Great Eastern Highway, Belmont WA 6104
Telephone: (08) 9424 2222
- Red Hill Waste Management Facility**
Administration Office
1094 Toodyay Road, Red Hill WA 6056
Telephone: (08) 9574 6235

Community information sessions

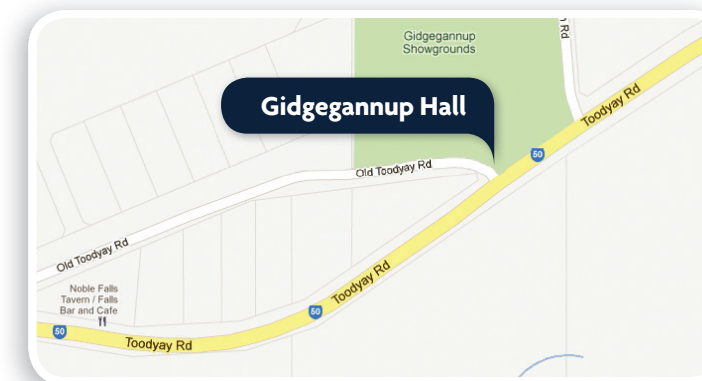
All residents are welcome to attend community information sessions which will be held to explain the results of the environmental impact assessment, and to provide information on the submission process.

Session 1: Gidgegannup

Location:
Gidgegannup Hall, Toodyay Road
(opposite Shell Service Station), Gidgegannup

When: Monday, 13 August 2012 **Time:** 6.00pm - 8.00pm

Bookings required: Please RSVP by Wednesday, 8 August 2012 by calling (08) 9424 2222 or email resourcerecovery@emrc.org.au



Session 2: Mundaring

Location:
Shire of Mundaring Civic Centre,
7000 Great Eastern Highway, Mundaring

When: Wednesday, 15 August 2012 **Time:** 6.00pm - 8.00pm

Bookings required: Please RSVP by Wednesday, 8 August 2012 by calling (08) 9424 2222 or email resourcerecovery@emrc.org.au



How to make a submission

The Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) invites people to make a submission on the resource recovery facility proposal. The PER is available for public review for a period of eight weeks from 23 July 2012, closing on 17 September 2012.

Comments from the public will help the EPA to prepare an assessment report in which it will make recommendations to government.

For information on preparing a submission, please download the information sheet: *How to make a submission* or see the initial pages of the PER which sets out the EPA's submission guidelines. These documents are available from the EMRC website:

www.emrc.org.au/per.html

Download the Documents from emrc.org.au/per.html