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**** WASTE 2021 CONFERENCE BEGINS **** Registration from 7:30 AM in the Pre Function Foyer		
Opening Address & Welcome Greg Freeman, Managing Director, Impact Environmental Consulting		
Keynote Address 1: The nature of waste Ms Cate McOvillen, Creative Producer / Owner, One Story - meme and productions (Home of dirtgirlworld and Get Grubby TV)		
SEPARATE ROOMS FOR STREAMS		
ENERGY FROM WASTE		EDUCATION (PART 1)
10:00 AM - 10:10 AM	<u>Energy from Waste 1 - Title TBC</u> Presenter TBC	Education (Part 1) 1 - Motivating community action on waste - A clean up story Dio Kieman, Chairman, Clean Up Australia
10:10 AM - 10:30 AM	<u>Energy from Waste 2 - Title TBC</u> Presenter TBC	Education (Part 1) 2 - Utilising fun, gamification and online technology to drive behaviour change Megan Bekeaj, Education & Promotions Coordinator, East Waste
11:00 AM - 11:20 AM	<u>Energy from Waste 3 - Mt Piper energy recovery project update</u> Garth Lamb, Chief Development Officer, Be Group	Education (Part 1) 3 - Social Marketing: Influencing behaviour change to drive environmental change Glenda Viner, General Manager - Corporate & Community Relations, Container Exchange
11:20 AM - 11:40 AM	<u>Energy from Waste 4 - How do Australian EfW Projects Achieve 95% Landfill Diversion?</u> Jason Pygh, General Manager, East Rockingham Waste To Energy	Education (Part 1) 4 - Recycling it right in Waverley apartment buildings Beth Kasumovic, Sustainable Waste Manager, Waverley Council
11:40 AM - 12:00 PM	QUESTIONS - EFW	QUESTIONS - EDUCATION (PART 1)
LUNCH - TUESDAY		
ALTERNATIVE RECYCLING PATHWAYS		EDUCATION (PART 2)
12:00 PM - 12:15 PM	QUESTIONS - EFW	QUESTIONS - EDUCATION (PART 1)
12:15 PM - 1:10 PM	LUNCH - TUESDAY	
1:10 PM - 2:50 PM	<u>Alternative Recycling Pathways 1 - A right to repair for Australians helps solving our waste crisis</u> Guido Verhulst, General Manager, The Bower Reuse & Repair Centre	Education (Part 2) 1 - Building a nationally consistent approach to sustainable packaging communications Aljandra Lacleite, Recycling Label Program Manager, Planet Ark
1:15 PM - 1:35 PM	<u>Alternative Recycling Pathways 2 - Innovation and excellence in CRC management</u> Michael Neville, Team Leader, Strategy, Projects & Education, Waste Management, Hornsby Shire Council	Education (Part 2) 2 - "Little Sorters": Empowering early learning centres and their children Leesa Hajduk, Senior Education Officer, Cleanaway
1:35 PM - 1:55 PM	<u>Alternative Recycling Pathways 3 - The eco-epic cover of buying recycled</u> Ms Sally Miles, General Manager Activation, Clean Up Australia	Education (Part 2) 3 - The cover of art in creating change Ivya Marcolin, Resource Recovery Education Officer, Penrith City Council
1:55 PM - 2:15 PM	<u>Alternative Recycling Pathways 4 - 2021 for used tyre recycling</u> Robert Kelman, Executive Officer, ATBA	Education (Part 2) 4 - Disposable baby nappies: the waste item we can avoid Emma Avery, Consultant, EA Sustainability
2:15 PM - 2:35 PM	QUESTIONS - ALTERNATIVE RECYCLING PATHWAYS	QUESTIONS - EDUCATION (PART 2)
2:35 PM - 2:50 PM	QUESTIONS - ALTERNATIVE RECYCLING PATHWAYS	QUESTIONS - EDUCATION (PART 2)
2:50 PM - 3:20 PM	AFTERNOON TEA - TUESDAY	
3:20 PM - 5:00 PM	REGIONAL ISSUES	EDUCATION (PART 3)
3:25 PM - 3:45 PM	<u>Regional Issues 1 - Waste management presents economic opportunities for Goldfields Region, Western Australia</u> James Traj, CEO, Shire of Coolgardie	Education (Part 3) 1 - BC is not BS! Implementing the behaviour change continuum Anna Bicketts, NSW Regional Manager, EnviroCom Australia
3:45 PM - 4:05 PM	<u>Regional Issues 2 - The management and security of unmanned waste transfer stations</u> Keith Halford, Manager Environment & Planning, Banana Shire Council	Education (Part 3) 2 - Addressing food waste in schools Rachel Rothwell, NSW Education Coordinator FEAST, OzHarvest
4:05 PM - 4:25 PM	<u>Regional Issues 3 - Extending municipal collections for regional and remote areas</u> Priva Murthy, Resource Recovery Officer, Cleanaway	Education (Part 3) 3 - REDUCE - engaging communities in (measured) waste avoidance with Plastic Free July Helen Whitkin, Membership Manager, Plastic Free Foundation
4:25 PM - 4:45 PM	<u>Regional Issues 4 - Title TBC</u> Presenter TBC	Education (Part 3) 4 - Waste education: Linking curriculum to community change Michelle Wilkinson, Halve Waste Program Coordinator, Albury City Council
4:45 PM - 5:00 PM	QUESTIONS - REGIONAL ISSUES	QUESTIONS - EDUCATION (PART 3)
5:00 PM - 7:30 PM	CONFERENCE WELCOME RECEPTION The Welcome Reception will take place outside among the outdoor exhibits at Oval Cove Resort (weather permitting).	

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8:00 AM - 9:00 AM					
WELCOME TEA AND COFFEE - WEDNESDAY					
9:00 AM - 9:05 AM					
Introduction and Welcome from the Chair <i>Gayle Sloan, CEO, WMBE</i>					
9:05 AM - 9:10 AM					
Welcome from Coffs Harbour City Council <i>Presenter TBC</i>					
9:10 AM - 9:35 AM					
Keynote Address 2: Topic TBC <i>Presenter TBC</i>					
9:35 AM - 10:00 AM					
Keynote Address 3: Highlights of the National Waste Report 2020 <i>Dr. Joe Pickin, Director, Blue Environment</i>					
10:00 AM - 10:35 AM					
MORNING TEA - WEDNESDAY					
10:35 AM - 12:15 PM		KEY WASTE ISSUES & STRATEGY		CIRCULAR ECONOMY (PART 1)	
10:40 AM - 11:00 AM		<u>Key Waste Issues & Strategy 1 - Topic TBC</u> <i>Presenter TBC</i>		<u>Circular Economy (Part 1) 1 - One year into the 10-year plan for Victoria's circular economy</u> <i>Angela Hoefnagel, Director Programs and High Risk Waste, Environment and Climate Change, Department of Environment, Land Water & Planning (DELWP)</i>	
11:00 AM - 11:20 AM		<u>Key Waste Issues & Strategy 2 - Topic TBC</u> <i>Presenter TBC</i>		<u>Circular Economy (Part 1) 2 - Facilitating business transition to a circular economy</u> <i>Heidi Robertson, Senior Project Officer, NSW Environment Protection Authority</i>	
11:20 AM - 11:40 AM		<u>Key Waste Issues & Strategy 3 - Topic TBC</u> <i>Presenter TBC</i>		<u>Circular Economy (Part 1) 3 - Queensland's regional place-based approach to a Circular Economy</u> <i>Georgina Boodenny, Executive Director, Department of Environment & Science, Queensland Government</i>	
11:40 AM - 12:00 PM		<u>Key Waste Issues & Strategy 4 - Topic TBC</u> <i>Presenter TBC</i>		<u>Circular Economy (Part 1) 4 - The role of the Australian Circular Economy Hub</u> <i>Paul Khramenko, CEO, Planet Ark</i>	
12:00 PM - 12:15 PM		QUESTIONS - KEY WASTE ISSUES & STRATEGY		QUESTIONS - CIRCULAR ECONOMY (PART 1)	
12:15 PM - 1:10 PM					
LUNCH - WEDNESDAY					
1:10 PM - 2:35 PM		PLASTICS		CIRCULAR ECONOMY (PART 2)	
1:15 PM - 1:35 PM		<u>Plastics 1 - Topic TBC</u> <i>Presenter TBC</i>		<u>Circular Economy (Part 2) 1 - Paving the way: Driving recycled glass markets through procurement</u> <i>Justin Borgey, Strategic Lead, Resource Recovery, Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (SROCO)</i>	
1:35 PM - 1:55 PM		<u>Plastics 2 - Unwashed - the good, bad and ugly side of elastic</u> <i>Bicki Hershburgh, Executive Director, Plastic Oceans Australia</i>		<u>Circular Economy (Part 2) 2 - Evolution, not revolution: The journey of a food waste start-up</u> <i>Katy Barfield, Founder & CEO, Yuma Food</i>	
1:55 PM - 2:15 PM		<u>Plastics 3 - Taking a regional approach to plastics - ANZPAC Plastics Pact</u> <i>Meredith Epp, Industry Partnership Manager, Australian Packaging Covenant Organisation</i>		<u>Circular Economy (Part 2) 3 - Resource recovery, partnerships: The foundations of a Circular Economy</u> <i>Yasmin Goyalunip, CEO & Co-Founder, World's Biggest Garage Sale</i>	
2:15 PM - 2:35 PM		<u>Plastics 4 - Marine pollution - How to prevent plastics from entering our oceans</u> <i>Sophie Ferguson, Head of Australia, Eunomia</i>		<u>Circular Economy (Part 2) 4 - How to achieve circular results using best practice strategic innovation</u> <i>Matt Chappson, Director, Strategy & Circular Solutions, Grid Four</i>	
2:35 PM - 2:50 PM		QUESTIONS - PLASTICS		QUESTIONS - CIRCULAR ECONOMY (PART 2)	
2:50 PM - 3:25 PM					
AFTERNOON TEA - WEDNESDAY					
3:20 PM - 5:00 PM		TECHNOLOGY		PRODUCT STEWARDSHIP	
3:25 PM - 3:45 PM		<u>Technology 1 - Smarter than the average Nm: Smart bins, bin sensors and IoT</u> <i>Andrew Quinn, Technical Director, Waste & Resources Management, SIB Consultants Australia</i>		<u>Product Stewardship 1 - Product stewardship, circular economy & elastic packaging - How do these fit together?</u> <i>Barry Cooper, Director, Sustainability, Australian Food & Grocery Council</i>	
3:45 PM - 4:05 PM		<u>Technology 2 - Reducing landfill by making it personal with real data</u> <i>Andrea Baldwin, Team Leader, Waste Management, Albury City Council</i>		<u>Product Stewardship 2 - Progress and impacts of mattress recycling</u> <i>Janelle Wallace, Program Lead, Australian Bedding Stewardship Council</i>	
4:05 PM - 4:25 PM		<u>Technology 3 - Topic TBC</u> <i>Presenter TBC</i>		<u>Product Stewardship 3 - drum!/STER - The success of industrialised product stewardship</u> <i>Dominius Doyle, General Manager, dyaSAFE</i>	
4:25 PM - 4:45 PM		<u>Technology 4 - Leveraging technology & the on-demand economy to reinvent recycling</u> <i>Giorgio Baracchi, CEO, RecycleSmart</i>		<u>Product Stewardship 4 - Topic TBC</u> <i>Presenter TBC</i>	
4:45 PM - 5:00 PM		QUESTIONS - TECHNOLOGY		QUESTIONS - PRODUCT STEWARDSHIP	
6:30 PM - 11:59 PM					
CONFERENCE DINNER					
<i>The conference dinner will be held off-site at Pacific Bay Resort. The theme is 'Strava! At a time where we as a nation are relatively insular from the outside world, let's dine in true Aussie style. Get out your boozies, stubbies, trackies, singlets, skivvies, thongs or even your juggs and why not top it all off with an Akubra and let's say G'day, Mate to those we missed seeing last year! But please do us all a favour and keep your jocks and coozies out of sight. Free scheduled transport will be provided between venues.</i>					

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9:00 AM - 9:10 AM		Welcome address from the chair Mike Ritchie, Managing Director, MRA Consulting Group	
9:10 AM - 9:35 AM		Keynote Address 4: Social Theory, Public Policy and the Circular Economy Dr Heinz Schandl, Research Group Leader Urban and Industrial Transformations, CSIRO Land and Water	
9:35 AM - 10:00 AM		Keynote Address 5: Topic TBC Presenter TBC	
10:00 AM - 10:35 AM		MORNING TEA - THURSDAY	
10:35 AM - 12:15 PM		INDIGENOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT	ORGANICS (PART 1)
10:40 AM - 11:00 AM		Indigenous Waste Management 1 - Clean Country - Collaboration and local solutions Robert Barnett, Regional Aboriginal Environmental Health Project Officer, NSW Health	Organics (Part 1) 1 - FOGO - Where is our organics revolution going to end? Mike Ritchie, Managing Director, MRA Consulting Group
11:00 AM - 11:20 AM		Indigenous Waste Management 2 - Topic TBC Presenter TBC	Organics (Part 1) 2 - The challenges of redesigning waste management infrastructure for the future Dhymtra Varier, Founder & CEO, Goterra
11:20 AM - 11:40 AM		Indigenous Waste Management 3 - Carry for Country in Summerville Village: Engaging the community to reduce and manage waste Andrew Beach, Senior Project Officer - Aboriginal Programs, NSW Environment Protection Authority	Organics (Part 1) 3 - Topic TBC Presenter TBC
11:40 AM - 12:00 PM		Indigenous Waste Management 4 - Topic TBC Presenter TBC	Organics (Part 1) 4 - Novel approach to organic waste management at local government scale Melita Jazber, Senior Research Consultant, Institute for Sustainable Futures, UTS
12:00 PM - 12:15 PM		QUESTIONS - INDIGENOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT	QUESTIONS - ORGANICS (PART 1)
12:15 PM - 1:10 PM		LUNCH - THURSDAY	
1:10 PM - 2:50 PM		LITTER	ORGANICS (PART 2)
1:15 PM - 1:35 PM		Litter 1 - The litter journey: New thinking on the scope of litter prevention in NSW John Lavarack, Senior Project Officer, NSW Environment Protection Authority	Organics (Part 2) 1 - National food waste strategy feasibility study Carolyn Cameron, General Manager Food Sustainability, Food Innovation Australia
1:35 PM - 1:55 PM		Litter 2 - Being Litter Smart in Bondi - targeting takeaway packaging litter Elizabeth Macdonald, Sustainable Waste Officer, Waverley Council	Organics (Part 2) 2 - Topic TBC Presenter TBC
1:55 PM - 2:15 PM		Litter 3 - Zero waste event guide Ashley Pittard, Executive Officer, Barason South West Waste & Resource Recovery Group	Organics (Part 2) 3 - City of Sydney food scraps recycling trial Jodie Larsen, Project Coordinator, City of Sydney
2:15 PM - 2:35 PM		Litter 4 - Solving Australia's 8 billion cigarette butt litter problem Presenter TBC	Organics (Part 2) 4 - Organics market development - Compost in the built environment Mike Twomey, Sustainability Consultant, Edge Environment
2:35 PM - 2:50 PM		QUESTIONS - LITTER	QUESTIONS - ORGANICS (PART 2)
2:50 PM - 3:20 PM		AFTERNOON TEA - THURSDAY	
3:20 PM - 5:00 PM		ILLEGAL DUMPING	ORGANICS (PART 3)
3:25 PM - 3:45 PM		Illegal Dumping 1 - Best practice response to illegal dumping Samuel Lawson, Research & Project Coordinator, Keep Victoria Beautiful	Organics (Part 3) 1 - City of Karratha organics processing trial Steve Wacher, Manager City Services, City of Karratha
3:45 PM - 4:05 PM		Illegal Dumping 2 - Illegal dumping detection technology Anthony Callaghan, Managing Director, EnviroCam	Organics (Part 3) 2 - Recipe for action - increasing organics circularity in South Australia Jessica Wundke, Principal Adviser Policy & Projects, Green Industries SA
4:05 PM - 4:25 PM		Illegal Dumping 3 - An innovative illegal dumping program managing the Ivanhoe of distance James Vincent, Illegal Dumping Prevention Coordinator, Illawarra Shoalhaven Joint Organisation	Organics (Part 3) 3 - Topic TBC Presenter TBC
4:25 PM - 4:45 PM		Illegal Dumping 4 - Reducing illegal dumping using surveillance technology, smart data and education Joe Lojascio, Manager Waste & Cleansing Services, Bayville Council	Organics (Part 3) 4 - Topic TBC Presenter TBC
4:45 PM - 5:00 PM		QUESTIONS - ILLEGAL DUMPING	QUESTIONS - ORGANICS (PART 3)
6:30 PM - 11:59 PM		CONFERENCE FINALE BUFFET The conference finale buffet will be held at Oval Cove Resort on the outdoor terrace (weather permitting) and in Horizons Restaurant.	