

## Appointment of probity advisor - Moira and Berrigan Shire Councils domestic kerbside waste and recycling collection contracts

GVWRRG has participated as an independent member of a Moira Shire Council (MSC) procurement project team and partnered with MSC to provide a regional demonstration of enhancing probity procedures when undertaking procurement of kerbside collection services.

### Purpose

The objective of the advisory service was to assist the Project Team to identify, assess and manage probity risks such that the Project maintained compliance with the Victorian Government Probity Standards, and exhibited procedural diligence appropriate to a high value contract.

### Cost

GVWRRG committed \$10,230 (ex GST) to this project and it was completed within budget.

### Timeline

The project was undertaken from June to December 2018 and was completed on time.

### Scope of work undertaken

The Probity Advisor carried out the following activities related to the Invitation to Tender process, which included the following:

- Prepared the Probity Plan;
- Delivered a probity briefing to project team members, including Evaluation Panel members;
- Reviewed, provided probity feedback on the Procurement Plan;
- Reviewed, provided probity feedback on the Request for Quotation document;
- Reviewed the Individual Evaluation Reports from each Evaluation Panel member;
- Reviewed the moderated results with comments, recorded in the Moderator Report;
- Reviewed the spreadsheet used in the process of calculating the price calculations for Moderation and reviewed the Moderation meeting minutes;
- Reviewed the evaluation criteria and scoring approach used during the tender evaluation process to ensure consistency with the Procurement plan;

- Reviewed the Final Evaluation Report, which forms the basis of the recommendation by the Evaluation panel, in respect of the evaluation process to ensure that it was consistent with the technical evaluation outputs and had been reviewed and approved by all members of the Evaluation panel;
- The online Conflict of Interest declarations were reviewed, and no positive declarations were made; and
- Provision of ad hoc probity advice.

### Outcomes

The availability of probity advisor provided considerable assurance to the panel during the conduct of the procurement and to the Councils in the consideration of the tender evaluation reports

The service was universally assessed as being good value for money and as being an appropriate inclusion for future procurement events related to Waste and Resource Recovery services.

## Project closure report

# Risk assessment of non-regulated closed landfills in the Goulburn Valley Waste and Resource Recovery region

It is important that closed landfills are identified and any potential impacts to the community, public health and the environment are managed and reduced. The potential of adverse impacts depends on a range of factors including the size of the landfill and types of waste accepted, the geology and natural features of the site and how the landfill was constructed and rehabilitated upon closure.

## Purpose

This project set out to achieve a strong evidence base from which to address risks posed by 35 non-regulated closed landfills in the Goulburn Valley. In doing so it aimed to provide a model for addressing these legacies across Victoria.

## Cost

GVWRRG committed \$56,000 (ex GST) to this project and it was completed within budget.

## Timeline

The project was undertaken from June to November 2018 and was completed on time.

## Scope of work undertaken

The project was been completed by Randell Environmental Consulting with support from Brock Baker Environmental Consulting and with peer review of the risk assessments by Golders.

The project method included the following stages:

1. detailed desktop analysis of freely available (online) environmental and landuse datasets
2. site visits to each of the closed landfills with Council and GVWRRG staff to complete a visual inspection ('walk-over') of the site
3. using information gathered in the above stages to complete the risk assessments for each non-regulated closed landfill reported by the groupings of surrounding landuse risks, rehabilitation risks, groundwater risks, surface water risks and landfill gas risks.
4. Councils have received a specific report and underpinning data sets and tools. The regional summary report has been widely presented and promoted within the portfolio

## Outcomes

### Appreciating the current state

Aside from the remedial and ongoing monitoring body of work, it is the land use and groundwater considerations that pose the most significant findings identified by the assessment.

- 52% of sites are zoned incorrectly with only 1 having an environmental significance overlay.
- 43% of sites registered a medium or greater risk that groundwater bores registered for domestic use are impacted by the site due to proximity.

### Advocacy

The project has been an effective vehicle to bring attention to some anomalies and inconsistencies in the closed landfill management. This is raising the opportunity for a coordinated response and sustain interest by all stakeholders.

### Informing next steps

- Development of risk mitigation action plans for Councils incorporating development of monitoring plans/schedules for all sites
- Assessing the beneficial after use potential of sites and/or potential for rationalisation
- Utilising the costed action plans as a pathway to adopting Local Government Victoria's Accounting for Landfills Guidelines.

## Murrindindi Resource Recovery Centre Options Analysis

Building upon the development of Goulburn Valley Resource Recovery Centre Strategy 2017, GVWRRG have worked closely with the Murrindindi Shire during 2018 to help accelerate their consideration of a network of future ready Resource Recovery Centres (RRCs) that best meet the needs and expectation of the Murrindindi Shire Council.

### Purpose

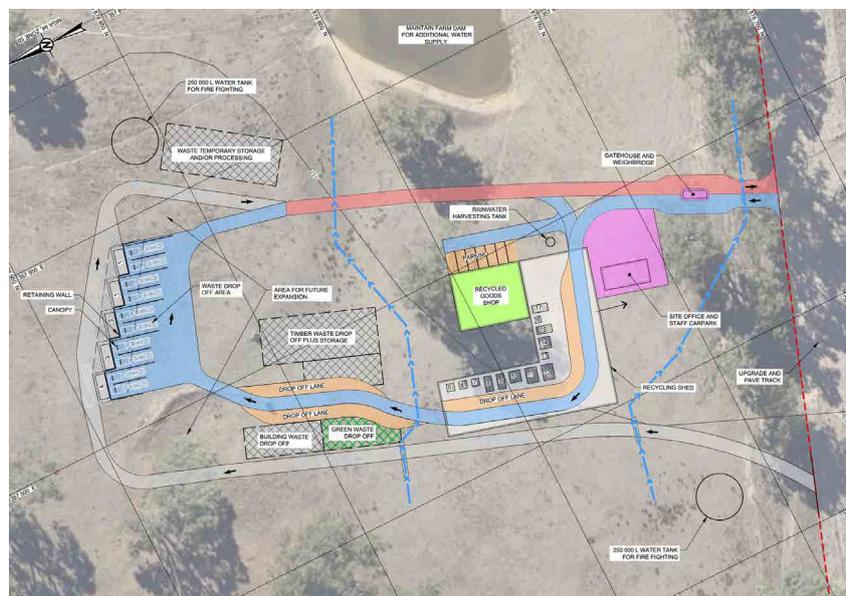
Undertake an options analysis of RRCs in the Murrindindi Shire Council area, including a review of siting of current RRCs, identification of potential new RRC locations, concept designs and to deliver RRC network optimisation advice.

### Cost

GVWRRG committed \$75,000 (ex GST) to this project and it was completed within Budget

### Timeline

This project was undertaken from Dec 2017 to Dec 2018 and was completed as scheduled.



Concept design for Yea Resource Recovery Centre

### Scope of work undertaken

Consultants Reincarnate, in partnership with Randell Environmental Consulting and Golder Associates were awarded the project.

The project reviewed RRC siting in Alexandra, Kinglake, Yea, Eildon and Marysville; prepared concept designs for new RRC facilities in these towns; reviewed these, and provided recommendations on options for optimising the RRC network across the Murrindindi Shire.

### Outcomes

The project has been undertaken at a time when preparations are being made for a landfill ban on E-waste, and during related GVWRRG led work on site buffer encroachment and closed landfills risk assessment.

In view of a range of inherent limitations of current RRCs within the MSC, this project has importantly provided detailed, costed options for which the Council can plan towards and prioritise.

An example of the certainty that this enables is the development of a funding application for a new greenfield site to service the Yea community. Other outputs remain confidential at this time pending further Council consideration.