Budget 2020-21



Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment



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\$190m

for a new Recycling Modernisation Fund that will generate \$600m of investment in Australia's recycling capacity

\$59.6m

for National Waste Policy Action Plan commitments, including implementing the waste export ban, improving our waste data and halving food waste by 2030

The Australian Government is making unprecedented investments to reduce waste, increase recycling and build capacity in our waste and recycling industry, including progressively banning the export of waste glass, plastic, tyres and paper starting on 1 January 2021. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to take responsibility for our waste and drive a \$1 billion transformation of the nation's waste and recycling capacity.

CASE STUDY: Recycling Modernisation Fund (RMF)

The Recycling Modernisation Fund will support Australian industry to recycle around 645,000 additional tonnes of waste plastic, paper, glass and tyres each year by mid-2024 when the full waste export ban comes into effect.

Delivered in partnership with States and Territories, the Fund will transform our waste and recycling sector, supporting new waste recovery and processing infrastructure. The measure will create more than 10,000 jobs over the next decade and prevent 10 million tonnes of waste from going to landfill.

New recycling infrastructure will be supported in every state and territory including:

- Plastics and tyres recycling and regional and remote sorting and processing capability in Western Australia
- Mixed plastics reprocessing and improved material recovery sorting capacity for plastic and glass in Tasmania
- An upgrade to the ACT Materials Recovery Facility
- Support for eligible projects under Queensland's Resource Recovery Industry Development Program
- Recycling infrastructure to process plastics, glass and tyres in New South Wales.

10 million tonnes

Amount of waste that will be diverted from landfill through the transformation of our waste and recycling industry