



## **COPPING REFUSE DISPOSAL SITE JOINT AUTHORITY**

### **TRADING AS SOUTHERN WASTE SOLUTIONS**

#### **ENVIRONMENT POLICY**

##### **SCOPE**

This policy applies to all Southern Waste Solutions (SWS) employees and contractors. Excellence in environmental performance will be achieved through the active participation and cooperation of every SWS employee and contractor.

##### **POLICY**

Southern Waste Solutions provides waste management solutions to a significant portion of Tasmania. In delivering its services, SWS will do so in an environmentally responsible and sustainable way, to prevent pollution and to minimise environmental impact.

##### **EXECUTION**

To meet this policy commitment SWS will:

- Implement, maintain, review and continually improve its environmental management systems to ensure that at a minimum it complies with, and meets the requirements of, environmental and other relevant legislation, any certifications and stakeholder expectations;
- Proactively identify, eliminate where possible, control and reduce, the risk of environmental impact(s);
- Set objectives and targets to evaluate and continuously improve its environmental performance;
- Promote an environmentally aware workplace culture incorporating pride in environmental care, performance and responsibility. This to be accomplished through effective communication, training and supervision;
- Implement ongoing monitoring and inspection programmes to identify early any potential for environmental damage to occur;

- Promote innovation and the delivery of best practice waste management solutions;
- Minimise its environmental footprint by reducing greenhouse gas emissions, whilst also preserving air quality, mitigating noise, controlling odours/dust and protecting/restoring the biodiversity across its activities;
- Use environmentally sensitive products, practices and technologies where possible;
- Be receptive to community concerns by engaging with and listening to the community, customers, neighbours, industry groups and regulatory authorities, to limit any harm caused to both the environment and people; and
- Ensure adequate resources are in place to implement this policy.

#### **REVIEW**

This policy is to be reviewed every twelve months.

**Authorised by the Board on 14 November 2018**