



# NAWMA's \$12m recycling shake-up

NAWMA CEO Adam Faulkner, Playford Mayor Glenn Docherty, Federal Assistant Minister for Waste Reduction and Environmental Management Trevor Evans, state Environment and Water Minister David Speirs and Salisbury Mayor Gillian Aldridge at NAWMA. PHOTO: Supplied

A \$12 MILLION Northern Adelaide Waste Management Authority (NAWMA) project at Edinburgh is set to help transform South Australia's recycling capability.

With federal and state government funding, and sustained leadership from its constituent councils – Playford, Salisbury and Gawler – NAWMA is establishing a state-of-the-art plant that will maximise the value of recovered paper and cardboard from yellow-lid kerbside recycling bins.

Establishing an advanced paper recycling plant, proposed to be co-located with its existing material recovery facility at Edinburgh, will allow NAWMA to continue the drive to create jobs through advanced remanufacturing in the northern suburbs.

NAWMA chief executive officer Adam Faulkner said the paper and cardboard "clean-up" plant would meet new quality benchmarks in paper and cardboard collected from residents' yellow top recycling bins.

"This will ensure that around 26,000 tonnes of paper and cardboard that NAWMA collects from its kerbside yellow-lid bins each year continues to be recycled to its highest value, creating new jobs in the region's economy while advancing our aims to reach a national resource recovery target of 80 per cent by 2030," he said.

"I think our residents expect us to recycle their household recycling right here in the northern region. We are already doing just that, and this project adds more jobs while creating higher-val-

ue materials that will eventually lead to lower costs for household recycling."

State Environment and Water Minister David Speirs joined Federal Assistant Minister for Waste Reduction and Environmental Management Trevor Evans at NAWMA last week to announce the project, which is one of eight statewide.

The new waste paper and cardboard recycling plant at NAWMA will process 40,000 tonnes of mixed waste paper and cardboard each year.

That is a third more than the 30,000 tonnes SA currently exports each year for disposal overseas.

"The Marshall Liberal Government is proud to be working closely with the Morrison Government to deliver the most sig-

nificant investment in South Australia's recycling industry ever seen to build key infrastructure projects creating up to 500 jobs across the state," Mr Speirs said.

"The eight projects, which are worth \$111 million, will transform waste management in South Australia and improve our ability to process plastic, glass, paper, cardboard and tyres within the state. They will reinforce South Australia's position as a national leader when it comes to waste management.

"The new \$12 million processing plant here at NAWMA will guarantee waste which was originally destined for export can be converted into new products which is not only good for the environment but good for the economy."

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## Gawler way of life a winner

NICK HOPTON

LUCILA and Marvin Abiado chose a better life for themselves and their two children when they emigrated from the Philippines to South Australia about eight years ago.

The couple and Rhyle, 10, and Davujah, or "Davie", 3, have lived in Gawler East for just over a year – and love the local way of life.

Last Thursday, the Abiados, from Baguio City, 250km north of capital Manila, were among migrants to be awarded Australian citizenship at a ceremony at Gawler Civic Centre, led by Gawler Mayor Karen Redman.

Mrs Abiado said her husband, a welder, first came to NSW for work in 2011 and brought the whole family over two years later to "a beautiful country".

She said they chose Adelaide "because we've got friends here" and "because of work – I am a carer at Tanunda Lutheran Home".

"We love the countryside in Gawler – it's sort of in between; everything you want is there but it's kind of rural," she said. "We love it."

"The lifestyle is way better than what we have grown up with in the Philippines."

Mrs Abiado said the citizenship process "was actually pretty quick – we applied in about November".

### OUR NEWEST CITIZENS

Lucila, Marvin Alis, Marvin Rhyle and Davujah Abiado  
Wendy Beeston  
Abigail Bideri  
Jan Peter Campbell  
Laurentius Hooijmaijers  
Martina McAuley  
Pradeep and Priyanthie Samarakoon  
Julius Santos and Liza Tubilleja



New Australian citizens Lucila and Marvin Abiado of Gawler East with children Rhyle, 10, and Davie, 3. PHOTO: Nick Hopton

## \$8m for glass recycling plant

ELLOUISE CRAWFORD

A NEW \$19 million glass processing facility at Kingsford has received financial support under the joint state and federally-funded Recycling Modernisation Fund.

Orora Group has been awarded \$8 million towards a glass "beneficiation" plant to recycle and produce high-quality glass containers. The facility is to be built next to Orora's existing glass bottle manufacturing plant at 48 Argent Road, and comprises a 2745 square metre processing building, storage bays, weighbridges and extra carparking.

The proposed category 2 development went out for public notification earlier this year on the basis it involved a matter of environmental significance.

The application, lodged with Light Regional Council, says the new glass processing facility will enable Orora to process and sort mixed glass for reuse within its nearby glass bottle manufacturing plant.

"The facility has been designed to process in the order of 150,000 tonnes of glass per year at its capacity," it states.

"For the first two years, the plant is expected to process in the order of 60,000 tonnes of glass each year.

Processing and sorting plant equipment will be imported from Europe and have the ability to crush bottles into small sizes and remove contaminants.

Federal Environment Minister Sussan Ley said the eight new projects were expected to create more than 500 jobs.



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