## **Bulletin**



## **Tasmanian Automotive Chamber of Commerce**

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## Dear Member

After many months of dialogue with the Tasmanian Government highlighting the environmental and regulatory compliance risks imposed on member businesses due to non-collection or delayed waste tyre collections, the TACC welcomes the recent announcement and launch of the Waste Tyre Reprocessing Grant Program.

Waste tyres can become problematic if they are illegally dumped or stored inappropriately, with stockpiles potentially creating fire risks, pest problems and other associated issues for members and the public.

This program is designed to help alleviate the growing waste tyre disposal and recycling issue currently impacting Tasmania and while this is considered a longer-term solution, it's a step in the right direction.

Under the program, the Government will provide up to \$3 million to partner with industry to develop a rubber crumbing plant or provide alternative and sustainable solutions for the recovery of end-of-life tyres.

The primary focus of the grant program is to invest in a rubber crumbing plant to produce materials for reuse in road surfacing across Tasmania - using Tasmania's waste tyres, reprocessed in Tasmania, in Tasmanian roads.

For those who are interested in applying for the grant, an Expression of Interest Guidelines has been released and applications will be accepted from 15 December, closing 30 January 2023.

Guidelines to help businesses prepare their applications and more information about the grant program are available at <a href="nre.tas.gov.au/environmental-management">nre.tas.gov.au/environmental-management</a>

In the short term, if you are having difficulties in arranging a tyre collection, please email for assistance:

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