

Media Release

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LANDFILL LEVY WAIVED FOR BUSHFIRE VICTIMS

The Andrews Labor Government has waived the landfill levy to help Victorians in the south west recover from bushfires.

Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change Minister Lily D'Ambrosio today announced that the EPA will work with local councils and landfill operators in the Colac-Otway, Corangamite, Moyne and Southern Grampians council areas to apply the exemption.

The waiver applies to the levy component of the gate price.

The Labor Government has also announced assistance for the local government areas of Colac-Otway, Corangamite, Moyne and Southern Grampians is being provided through the jointly funded Commonwealth-State Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA).

Anyone who has been affected by the bushfires and suffering personal hardship and distress should call the VicEmergency Hotline on 1800 226 226 to find out about the assistance available.

Information on disaster assistance can be found on the Australian Government's Disaster Assist website at disasterassist.gov.au and the VicEmergency website at emergency.vic.gov.au/relief

For information on landfill levies go to epa.vic.gov.au.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change Lily D'Ambrosio

"We're doing what we can to help those affected by these devastating bushfires."

"We're helping farmers manage waste from dead livestock and damaged homes, sheds and fencing – so they can focus on getting back on their feet."