



Recycling Polypropylene plant packaging

The Australian Government is supporting the Australian Packaging Covenant Organisation Ltd (APCO) to design a national product stewardship scheme for polypropylene (PP) plant packaging.

The problem

PP is highly recyclable but it is generally not able to be recycled through kerbside recycling. An estimated 13,500 tonnes of PP plant packaging waste goes to landfill each year.

The solution

This grant is funding APCO to research, design and implement a sustainable national product stewardship scheme for PP plant packaging.

The project will increase recycling of horticulture packaging such as pots, stakes, tags and trays. It is supporting easy return of PP plant packaging, creates a clean supply of PP to be used in new plant packaging, and diverts plant packaging from landfill.

Greenlife Industry Australia Limited is a partner in this project. The Australian Government is providing a grant of \$549,000 for the project through the National Product Stewardship Investment Fund.

When

This product stewardship project commenced in January 2021.

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The Australian Government's National Product Stewardship Investment Fund aims to increase the number of industry-led product stewardship schemes in Australia through grants of between \$300,000 to \$1 million.