

# Tyre Stewardship Australia:

An introduction to TSA and the Tyre Stewardship Research Fund



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# Tyre Stewardship Australia:

1. What is the problem?
2. Who we are?
3. What we do?
4. Why am I here?

# The problem with tyres:

- Australians discard over 52 million EPUs\* each year
- History of poor management in most states
- These tyres are illegally dumped, stockpiled, burned or exported
- Driven by a cash economy and inadequate regulation (historically)
- So why is this a problem?

\*Equivalent Passenger Units (EPUs), which is a standard measure for tyres



# What is the problem?

Poor practices in the past have led to this...



# The problem with tyres...



Moyston, Victoria  
Significant tyre fire in 2014





# Who are we?

## Tyre Stewardship Australia is...

- A not-for-profit company
- Established to deliver the National Tyre Product Stewardship Scheme, which aims to:
  - Improve the sustainable management of end-of-life (waste) tyres in Australia
  - Build a strong, profitable tyre recycling market
  - Remove poor operators from the market
- Formed by the tyre industry with endorsement of Federal Government, State and Territory Governments, ACCC
- Funded by a 25c levy on imported tyres



# What do we do?

Improve the market...

Accreditation, Audit  
and Compliance

Education and  
Awareness

Market  
Development

Administration and  
Reporting

# Tyre Stewardship Research Fund

## Purpose

*The primary objective of the TSA Market Development is to support:*

R&D to increase the consumption of Australian tyre derived product.



# Tyre Stewardship Research Fund

## Purpose

- 5 project areas:
  - Road
  - Rail
  - Polymer
  - Infrastructure
  - Thermal

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