



MEDIA ALERT

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WASTE FACILITIES REMAIN OPEN

As a critical service, Council's Waste Facilities and Rural Waste Transfer Stations will remain open throughout this period of COVID-19.

The Mudgee, Gulgong and Kandos Waste Facilities remain open for household garbage disposal, in addition to the Rural Waste Transfer Stations that are reserved for use only by properties without a waste collection service.

To minimise person to person interactions and comply with social distancing orders, Council asks that households undertaking a spring cleanout of bulky or unwanted items please hold onto these goods until lockdown orders are relaxed.

"We understand that many people will now be social distancing at home and may have time on their hands to do a clean out of the garage, shed or spare room," General Manager Brad Cam said.

"This is a great opportunity to do a clean out, but we are urging residents to hold onto these items and not travel to Waste Facilities unnecessarily. Disposing of accumulated or unwanted items from your home, which are not general household waste items, would not be considered essential travel under government orders.

"This does not mean that you can use Rural Waste Transfer Stations to dump your items and illegal dumpers will be prosecuted. All waste facilities will remain open for general household waste, so if you would put it in a waste collection bin it can be disposed of at a waste facility.

"If we work together we will protect our community and stop the spread of COVID-19."

For waste facility operating hours visit Council's website.

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