

Hay and Silage Recycling Program

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Where can I dispose of my full plastic disposal liners?

The designated project drop-off point is the Holbrook Landfill site. Look for the marked HLN drop-off bin

2. Why can't I just burn, bury or store my waste agricultural plastics?

Burning silage wrap releases harmful greenhouse gasses and pollutants into the environment. Whilst storing or burying plastics can pollute groundwater, rivers and streams or can be a choking hazard to wildlife and stock.

3. Do I have to use Plasback liners as supplied by the Holbrook Landcare Network?

Yes. Only these liners will be accepted. Remember, **GREEN** liners for silage wrap and covers & **RED** covers for twine.

4. Does the waste plastic have to be clean?

No. Just shake free any debris or excess moisture before placing in the disposal liner.

5. Why can't I mix farm plastics together for recycling?

There are many different types of plastics. Silage wrap and silage covers are made from Linear Low Density Polyethylene (LLDPE), whilst bailing twine and feed bags are made out of polypropylene. Each plastic has different properties and melt temperatures, meaning in most cases they cannot be mixed together. Therefore, it is important to separate plastics into the correct **GREEN** or **RED** disposals liners at the farm.

6. What do the waste plastics get turned into?

Waste plastics are turned into a range of durable replacement products, including sheep and cattle crush panelling and flooring, adding value to what was once a waste product.

7. How long will the 'Hay and Silage Wrap Pilot Program' be running for?

The program will finish in December 2017. However, depending on community interest and uptake in recycling agricultural plastics the program may be continued.

8. Can I access more plastic disposal liners if needed?

Yes. Just call to organise with the HLN office on (02) 6036 3181 and collect at our office.