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**Question 1 - What are the key issues facing the NSW waste system?**

Management of stockpiles Abundance of low-quality materials Contaminated recycling streams  
Increasing population and urbanisation Restricted use of materials/lack of local recycling markets

**Question 2 - What are the main barriers to improving the NSW waste system?**

Inadequate allocation of space for source separation of waste, mainly in MUDs or at a community level. Inadequate allocation of space for waste processing facilities Lack of individual responsibility for and ownership of waste Lack of shared understanding about waste and recycling i.e. definitions. Lack of collaboration often resulting from concerns around IP and commercial in confidence

**Question 3 - How can we best reduce waste?**

100% levy hypothecation - money returned to the Waste & Resource sector for avoidance, reuse, recycling, recovery and infrastructure to support Revise Product Stewardship Scheme

**Question 4 - How can we recycle better?**

Improve infrastructure Zoning for waste processing at a residential, community and LGA level, this includes all waste types including organics, textile, plastics, glass, aluminium, e-waste, paper, cardboard as a minimum. Better ingrain the value of waste as a resource within the community. Embed source separation as social/culture norm Broader access to CDS and similar initiatives Consistency across federal, state and local recycling schemes, top down and bottom up recycling campaigns

**Question 5 - What are the main opportunities for improving the NSW waste system?**

Mandate recycled content in procurement. Support for sustainable/recycled manufacturing. Local recycling

**Question 6 - Any other information that you would like to contribute to the waste strategy initiative?**