**NATIONAL PARKS AND WILDLIFE SERVICE**  
Disposal of whale carcasses

# Pre-season checklist for land managers

The National Parks and Wildlife Service has developed this checklist to assist land managers with preparation for whale carcass disposal.

## Pre-season preparation

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| 1. Check | 1. Action | 1. Purpose |
|  | 1. Contact Local Aboriginal Land Councils | * Establish preferred protocol for disposal of culturally significant species |
|  | 1. Discuss disposal capacity with Local Landfills | * Determine receival requirements or other restrictions |
|  | 1. Contact Environment Protection Authority (EPA) | * Seek advice on waste classification and disposal |
|  | 1. Contact Roads and Marine Services (RMS) | * Clarify transport requirements for large animals |
|  | 1. Identify and obtain equipment needs | * Refer to useful resources such as: [Western Australia Department of Parks and Wildlife whale carcass management manual](https://www.dpaw.wa.gov.au/images/documents/conservation-management/marine/wildlife/whale_carcass_management.pdf) (used with permission) |
|  | 1. Identify local heavy plant contractors | * Identify experienced contractors with capacity to assist in retrieval, transport and, or carcass burial |