



## NSW Government “Stop It And Swap it” Overview

Surfing NSW (SNSW) has partnered with the NSW Government "Stop It and Swap It" campaign to help implement community lead ideas and strategies to support the plastic bans and reduce single use plastic in NSW. Within our organisation (SNSW) and our community of Boardrider clubs and their members, we are opening a grant opportunity so you can help too.

We want you to tell us what your club could do to "Stop It and Swap It". Think of ways your club can reduce single use plastics and/or spread the “Stop It and Swap It” campaign message during your club rounds in the 2023 season.

We will be opening grant applications on the 20th of January to all NSW Boardrider clubs and offering up to \$2000 to 10 x successful clubs and in addition, 50x reusable cable ties (toggles) for every application we receive to use at your club rounds.

### **ABOUT THE NSW GOVERNMENT "STOP IT AND SWAP IT" CAMPAIGN**

Remember to pack your reusable shopping bags when you go to the shops as lightweight plastic shopping bags are now a thing of the past in NSW (as of 1 June 2022).

The state’s ban on the highly littered item is the first in a series of single-use plastic phase-outs that will see a number of other items added to the list.

A second ban happened on November 1st, 2022 that included single-use plastic straws, stirrers, cutlery, plates, bowls and cotton buds, expanded polystyrene food ware and cups, and rinse-off personal care products containing plastic microbeads. Single-use plastic items and packaging make up 60% of all litter in NSW.

These plastic bans will prevent almost 2.7 billion items of plastic litter entering our environment in NSW over the next 20 years. So get your thinking caps on because we want to see what you can do to keep your beaches, dunes and oceans clean for the future of NSW surfers.

Find out more [here](#).

### **KEY INFORMATION**

Applications Open: January 27th 2023

Applications Close: 11:59pm, February 20th 2023

Grant Amount: \$2000 + GST

