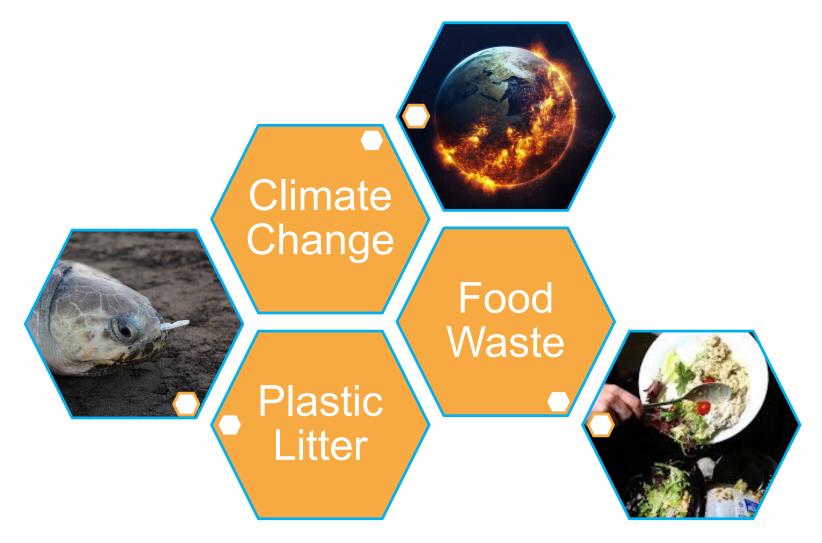


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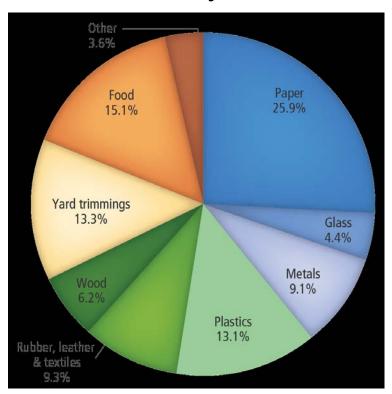


#### **Global Environmental Trends**



#### **Food Residuals Management**

- 2013 Food Recovery Challenge USEPA & USDA
- Goal: 50% reduction & recovery of food waste by 2030
- USEPA 2015 municipal solid waste (MSW) characterization study – yard trimmings & food waste represent over 28% of the MSW composition



Source: Advancing Sustainable Materials Management: Facts & Figures 2015, USEPA, July 2018.

### **Legislation – Key States**

 SB54 CA Circular Economy & Pollution Prevention Act

 ESHB 1569 WA Compostable Packaging Labeling Bill



## **Challenges**



#### **Efforts Across the Value Chain**

- Working to educate our customers on the importance of standardized labeling around distinctive colors, banding or other markings
- Promoting field testing and field screening studies
- Participating in state and local legislative efforts around labeling and identification (Washington, California, Minnesota)
- Developing program/composter case studies

What is next???