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An Integrated Tool for Local Government to Track Materials Management and Progress toward Sustainability Goals

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Introduction

The screenshot shows the website hinkleycenter.org/index.php#about. The browser's address bar and tabs are visible at the top. The website features a dark navigation bar with a search box and links for HOME, ABOUT US, RESEARCH, and CONTACT US. Below this, three yellow buttons are arranged horizontally: [SUBMIT A RESEARCH IDEA](#), [DOWNLOAD THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS \(RFP\)](#), and [DOWNLOAD THE RESEARCH AGENDA](#). The main content area has a green background with the text "THE HINKLEY CENTER FOR SOLID AND HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT". On the left, there is a logo for the Hinkley Center and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, along with a map of Florida. On the right, a video player shows a woman, Yetunde Sokefun, with a play button overlay.

Agenda

Review Project History

- HC 16/17 Project
- WasteCalc Project
- HC 18/19 Project
- HC 19/20 Project

Walkthrough Tool

- Show 2020 SMM Tool
- Discuss Beta Testing Feedback
- Open floor for feedback

Next Steps

- Discuss training materials
- Invite more to test tool
- Important dates

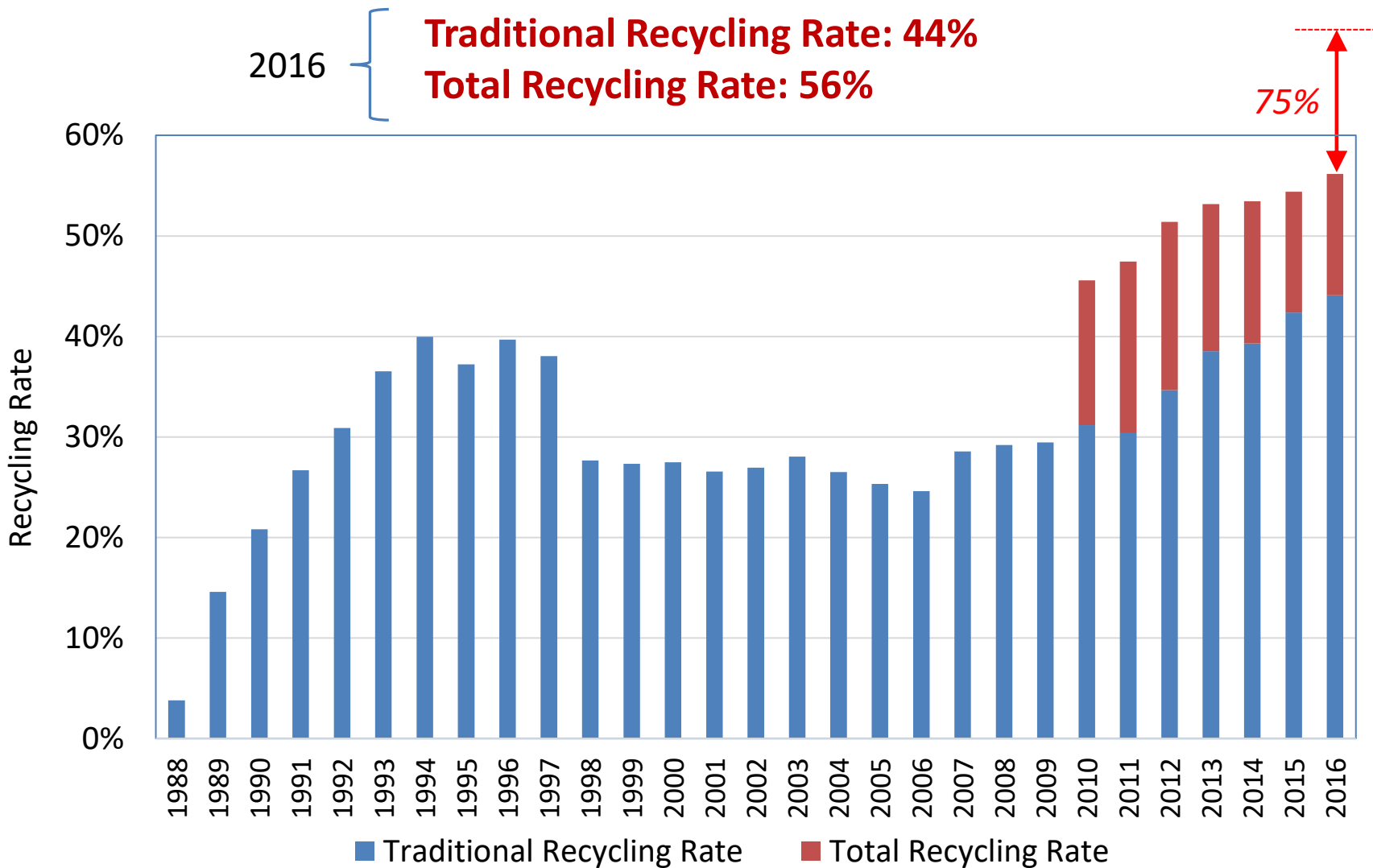
Projects History

2016

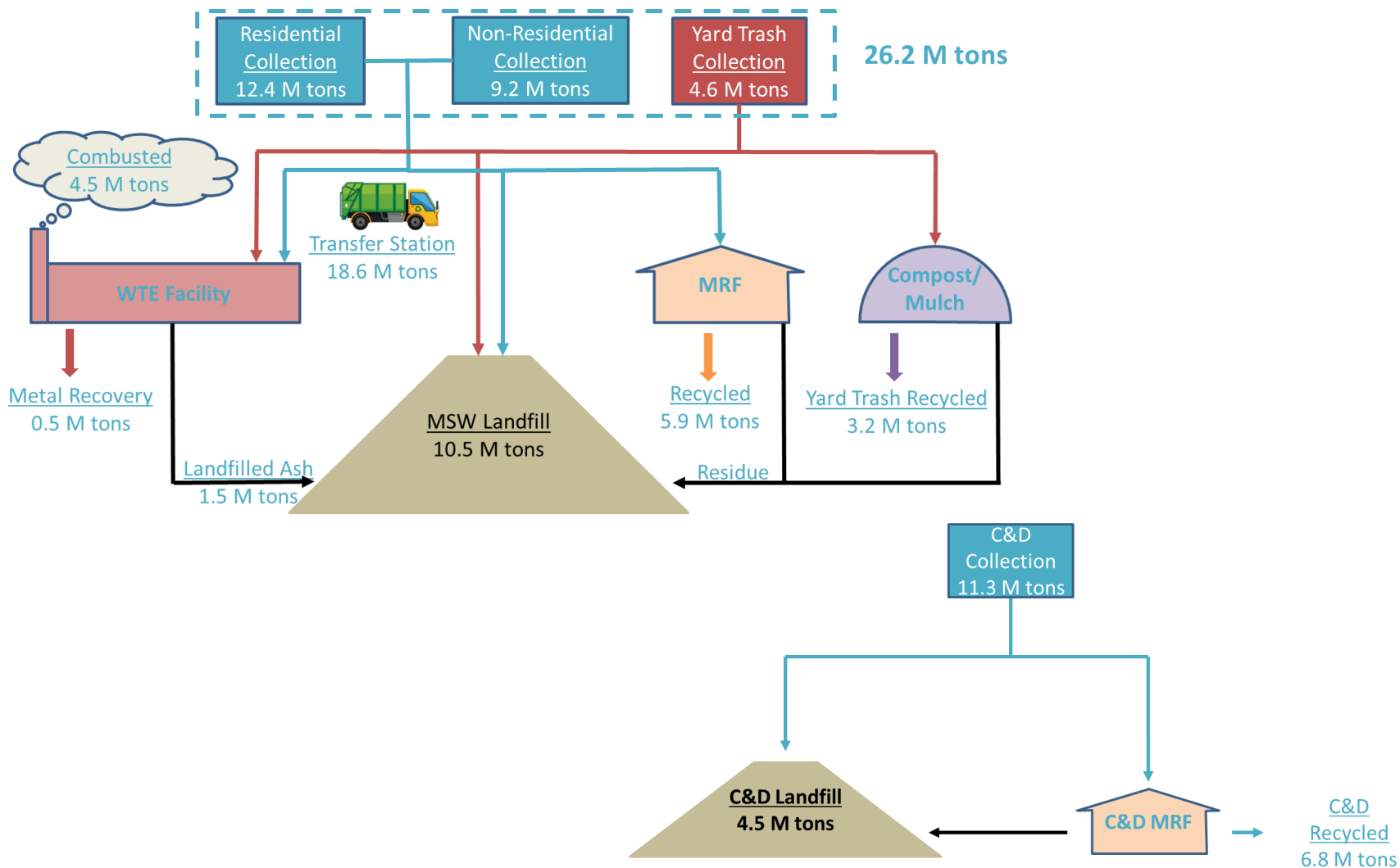


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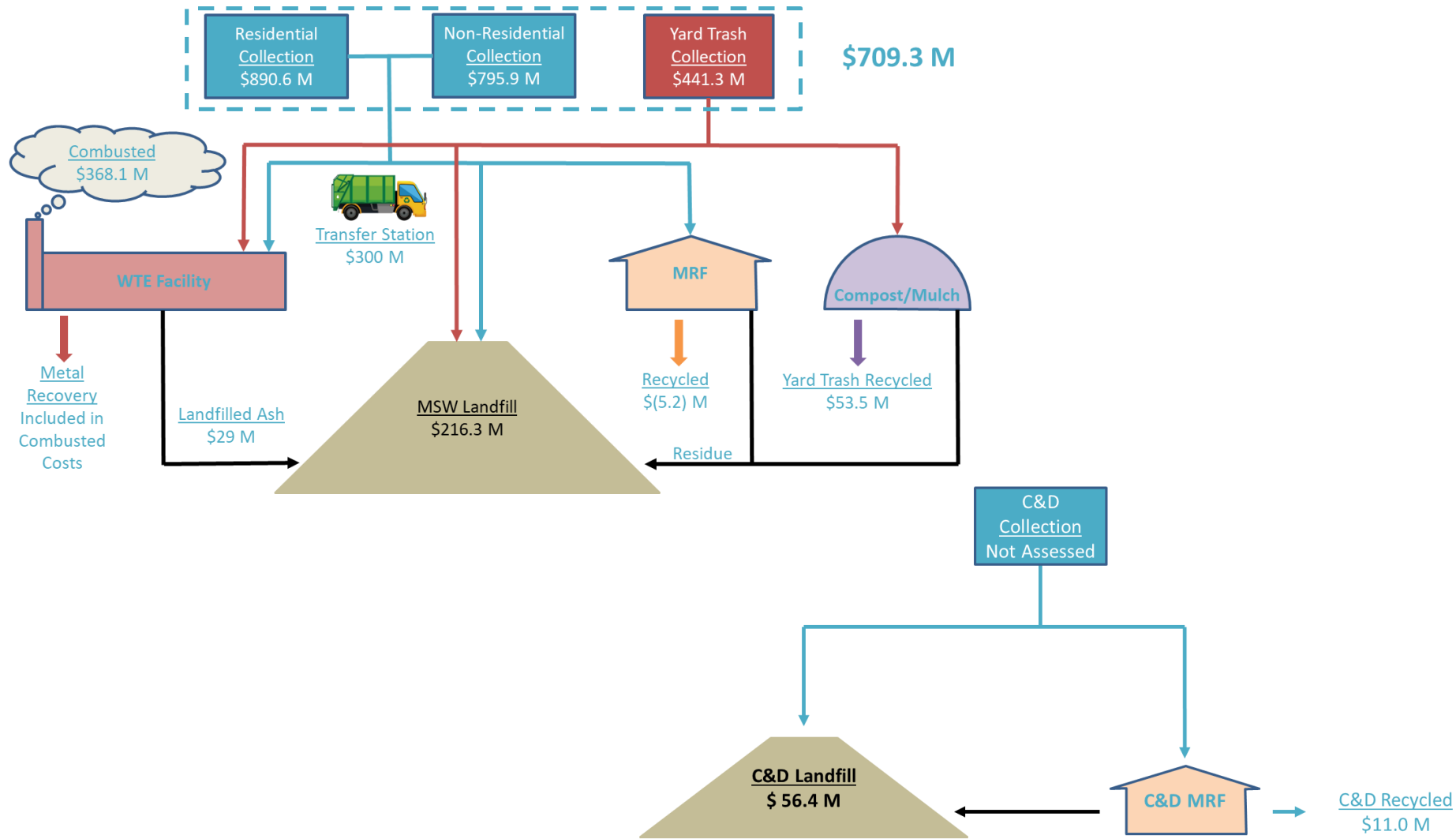
Florida's Recycling Rate



Florida Material Mass Flow (2016)



Florida Material Cost Flow (2016)



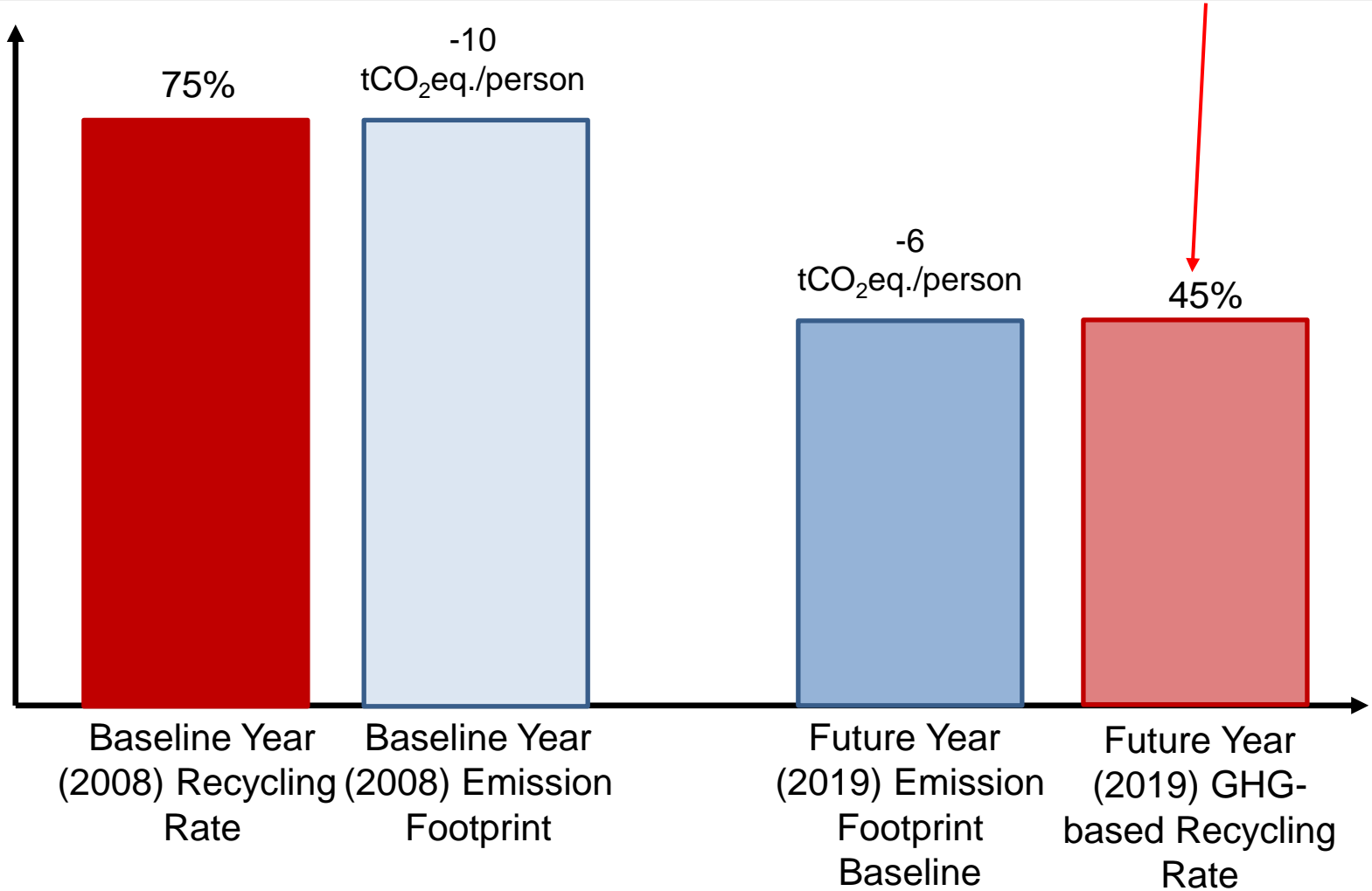
Evaluating Reaching 75% Using Different Approaches

1. Waste-to-Energy (WTE) Approach
2. Mixed Waste Processing (MWP) Approach
3. Mandatory Residential Curbside Recycling Approach
4. Mandatory Construction & Demolition Debris (C&D) and Yard Trash (YT) Recycling Approach
5. Mandatory Non-Residential Food Waste Composting Approach

NOTE: Applied only to counties with populations of 150,000+

Using environmental impacts in goal setting

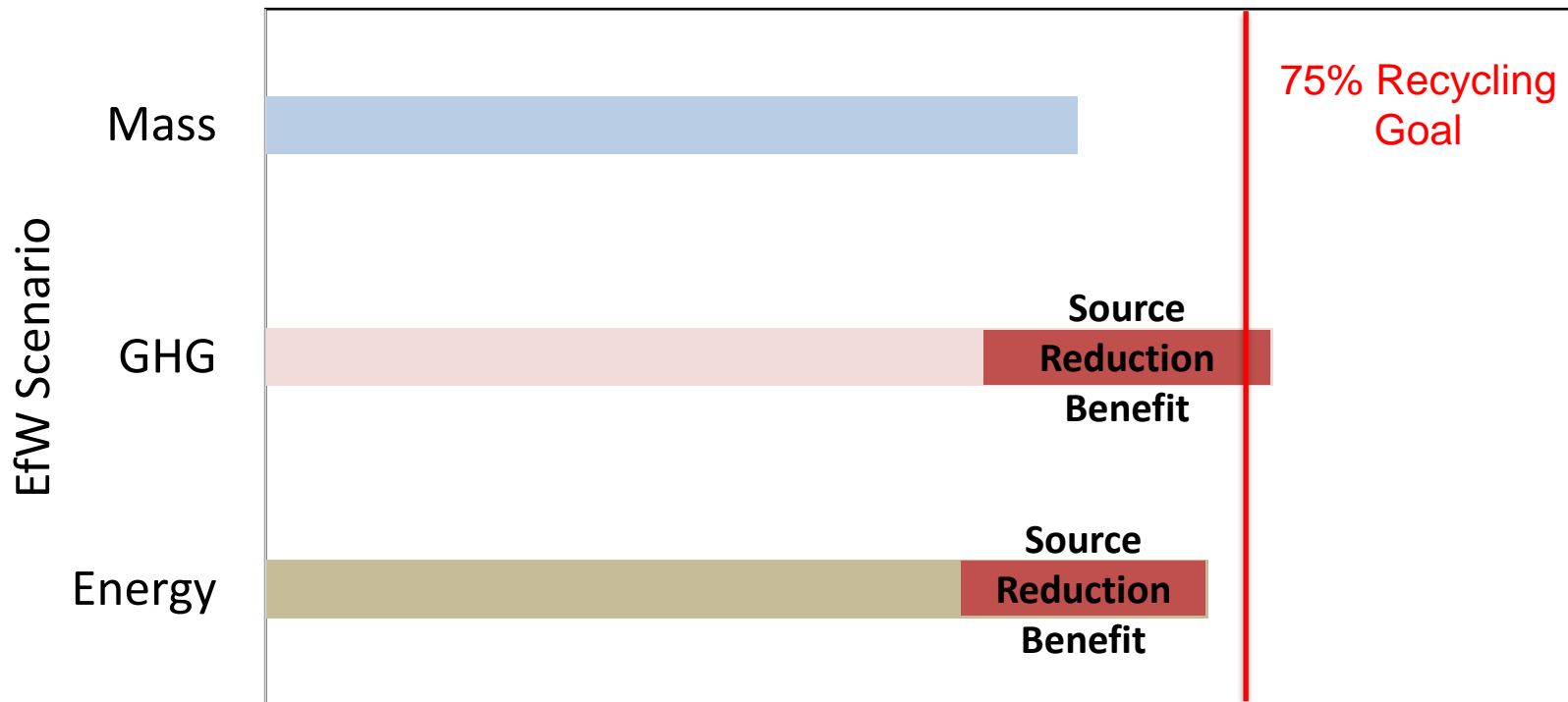
$$\text{GHG-Based Recycling Rate} = \frac{\text{Future Year GHG footprint}}{\text{Baseline Year GHG footprint}} (\text{Target Recycling Rate}) = X\%$$



Importance of Source Reduction

Progress Towards a Combustion-Dominated Baseline

0% 20% 40% 60% 80% 100%



Source: "Replacing Recycling Rates with Life-Cycle Metrics as Government Materials Management Targets" (Anshassi et al., 2018)

Historic Source Reduced Materials

MSW Material	2008 Generation Rate (Tons/Person)	2015 Generation Rate (Tons/Person)	Source reduced or generated since 2008?
Newspaper	0.0768	0.0508	Source Reduced
Glass	0.0423	0.0433	Source Generated
Aluminum Cans	0.0120	0.0097	Source Reduced
Plastic Bottles	0.0238	0.0230	Source Reduced
Steel Cans	0.0172	0.0154	Source Reduced
Corrugated Paper	0.1369	0.1276	Source Reduced
Office Paper	0.0433	0.0309	Source Reduced
Other Plastics	0.0610	0.0725	Source Generated
Other Paper	0.1091	0.1101	Source Generated
Textiles	0.0480	0.0379	Source Reduced
C&D Debris	0.3999	0.4867	Source Generated
Tires	0.0198	0.0120	Source Reduced

Replacing Recycling Rates with Life-Cycle Metrics as Government Materials Management Targets

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Supporting Information

ABSTRACT: In Florida, the passing of the Energy, Climate Change, and Economic Security Act of 2008 established a statewide mass-based municipal solid waste recycling rate goal of 75% by 2020. In this study, we describe an alternative approach to tracking performance of materials management systems that incorporates life-cycle thinking. Using both greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and energy use as life-cycle indicators, we create two different materials management baselines based on a hypothetical 75% recycling rate in Florida in 2008. GHG emission and energy use footprints resulting from various 2020 materials management strategies are compared to these baselines, with the results normalized to the same mass-based 75% recycling rate. For most scenarios, LCI-normalized recycling rates are greater than mass-based recycling rates. Materials management strategies that include recycling of curbside-collected materials such as metal, paper, and plastic result in the largest GHG- and energy-normalized recycling rates. Waste prevention or increase, determined as the net difference in per-person mass discard rate for individual materials, is a major contributor to the life-cycle-normalized recycling rates. The methodology outlined here provides policy makers with one means of transitioning to life-cycle thinking in state and local waste management goal setting and planning.



INTRODUCTION

State and local governments in the United States (US) commonly rely on mass-based municipal solid waste (MSW) recycling rate goals or targets to promote sustainable materials management (SMM) and landfill diversion. These goals are typically established by state legislatures or local governments and apply to waste materials generated by households, institutions, and businesses. Examples of these goals include South Carolina (40% recycling),¹ Maryland (55% recycling),² Florida (75% recycling),³ and San Francisco (zero waste),⁴ all to be reached by 2020. These recycling rates correspond to the mass of material recycled (or diverted from landfill disposal in some cases) divided by the total mass generated. While providing a tangible target that can be tracked over time to quantify progress, the recycling rate metric suffers from several inherent problems.^{5–7} First, a reduction in the overall mass of materials discarded, referred to in this paper as waste prevention (commonly called source reduction by the waste management community) and the most desired step in the waste management hierarchy,^{6,8–10} is not appropriately recognized in mass-based recycling rates. For example, a

A second problem with mass-based recycling goals is that they favor heavier materials without considering the environmental benefits gained through recycling. In reality, the recycling of some waste components produces much greater environmental benefits (e.g., avoidance of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and energy use) than others.^{11–13} For example, recycling aluminum cans and office paper provides a considerably greater GHG emission and energy use avoidance than recycling (in some cases through composting) equivalent masses of glass, yard trash (YT), or food waste.¹⁴ Also, a singular reliance on recycling rates neglects the positive contributions from other SMM approaches, including changes in product and packaging design, the recovery of energy from waste (EfW), and the implementation of more sustainable landfill practices.¹³

This study examines a different approach to mass-based recycling rates for quantifying and tracking progress toward SMM. One potential alternative is to measure materials management progress relative to the mass of material recycled or landfilled at an initial point in time. For example, California has established a statewide recycling goal corresponding to 75%

Projects History

2016



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FDEP
WasteCalc
Update

Updated WasteCalc Functionality

Input

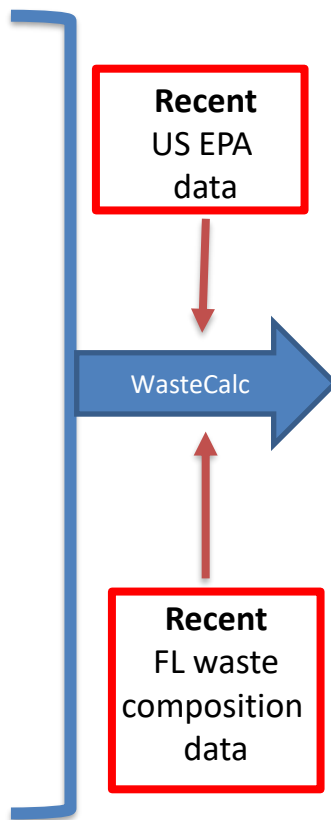
Recycled Tons	
Newspaper	Ferrous Metals
Glass	White Goods
Aluminum Cans	Non Ferrous Metals
Plastic Bottles	Other Paper
Steel Cans	Textiles
Corrugated Boxes	C&D Debris
Office Paper	Food Waste
Yard Trash	Miscellaneous
Other Plastics	Tires

Landfilled Tons

Combusted Tons

Collected C&D Tons

Behind the Scenes



Output

% MSW Composition

Newspaper
Glass
Aluminum Cans
Plastic Bottles
Steel Cans
Corrugated Boxes
Office Paper
Yard Trash
Other Plastics
Ferrous Metals
White Goods
Non Ferrous Metals
Other Paper
Textiles
C&D Debris
Food Waste
Miscellaneous
Tires

Tons MSW Composition

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Plastic Bottles
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Corrugated Boxes
Office Paper
Yard Trash
Other Plastics
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Updates or new components to WasteCalc

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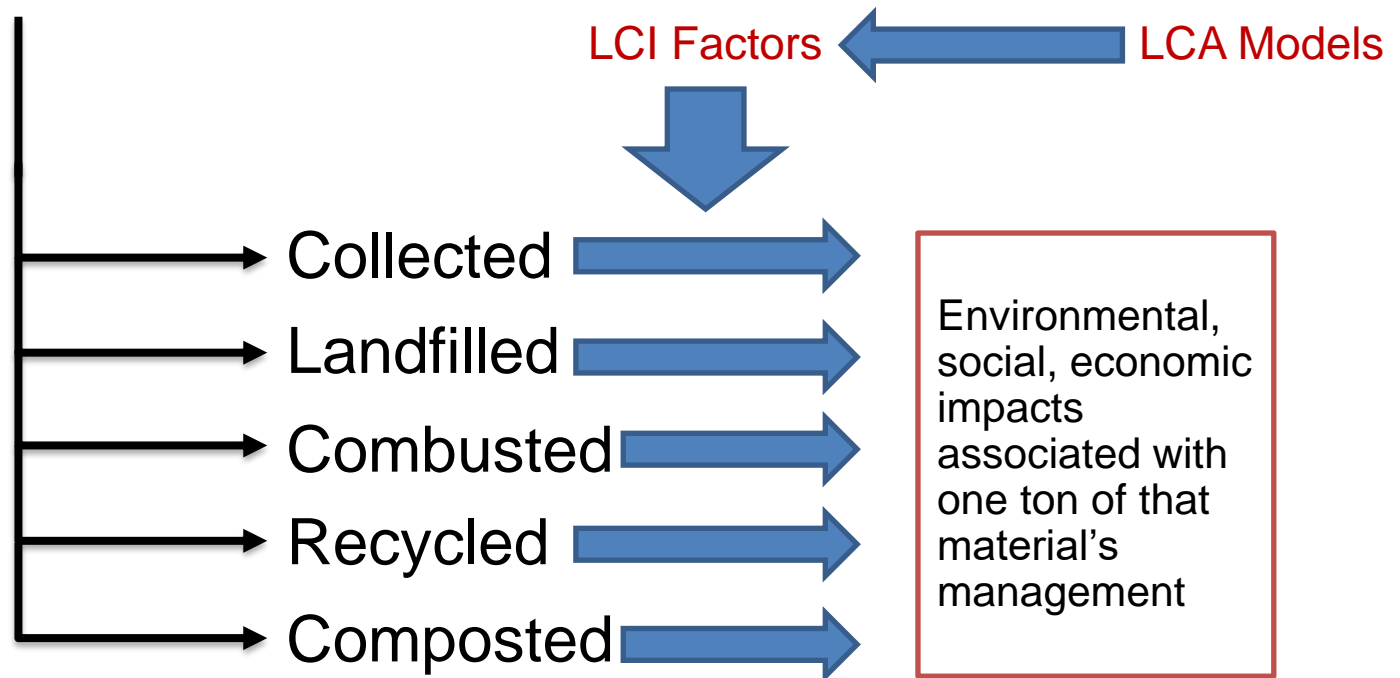
Hinkley Center
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Recycling Goal:
Development of
a Methodology
and Tool for
Assessing
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HC 18/19 Project Objectives

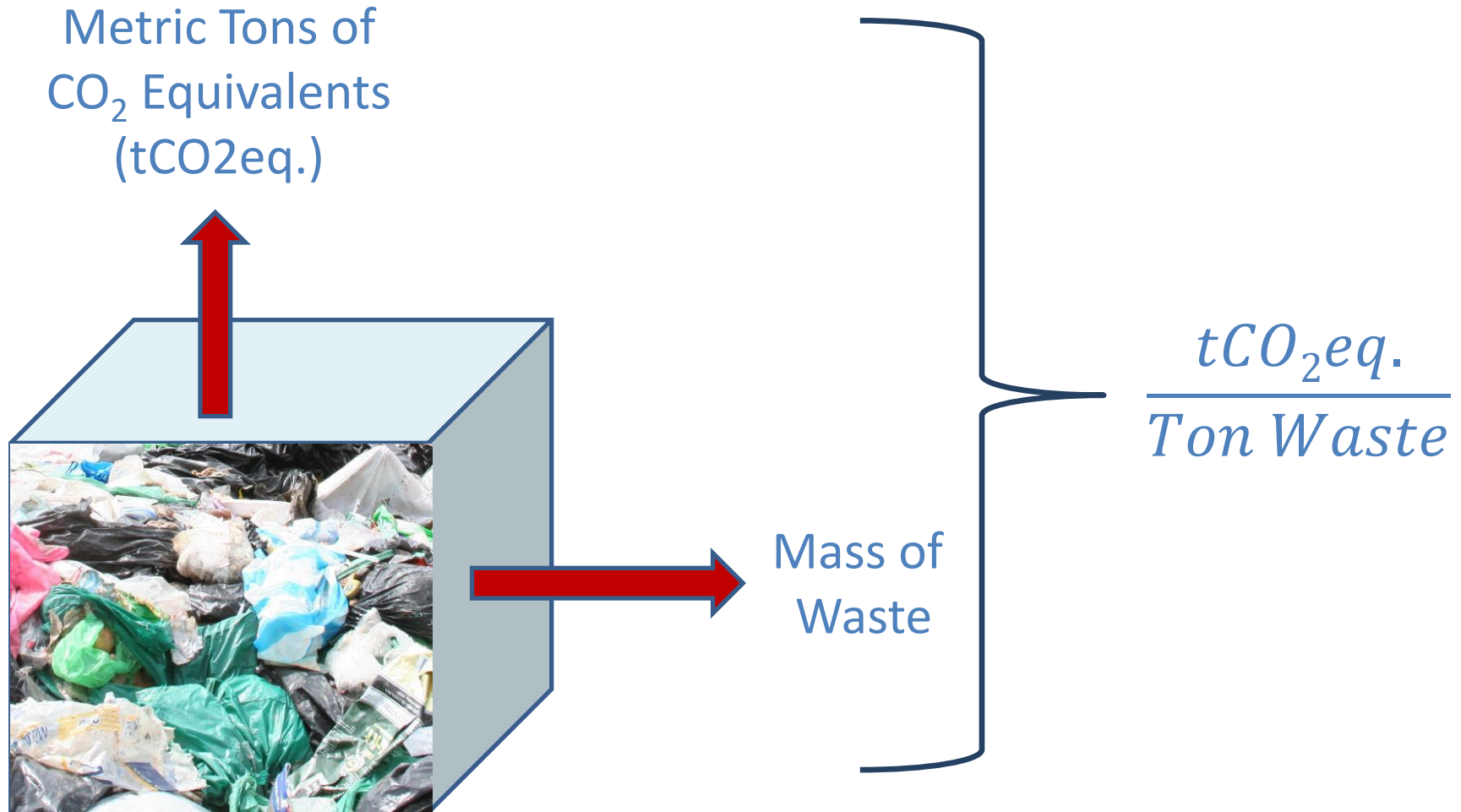
- **Develop a publicly available LCA tool** used to measure and compare social, economic, and environmental impacts for various Florida solid waste management approaches.
- **Develop additional lifecycle impact (LCI) factors** (e.g., energy use, emissions, etc.) that will allow users to consider a wider variety of impacts associated with various materials management approaches.

Workbook-Based LCA Tool

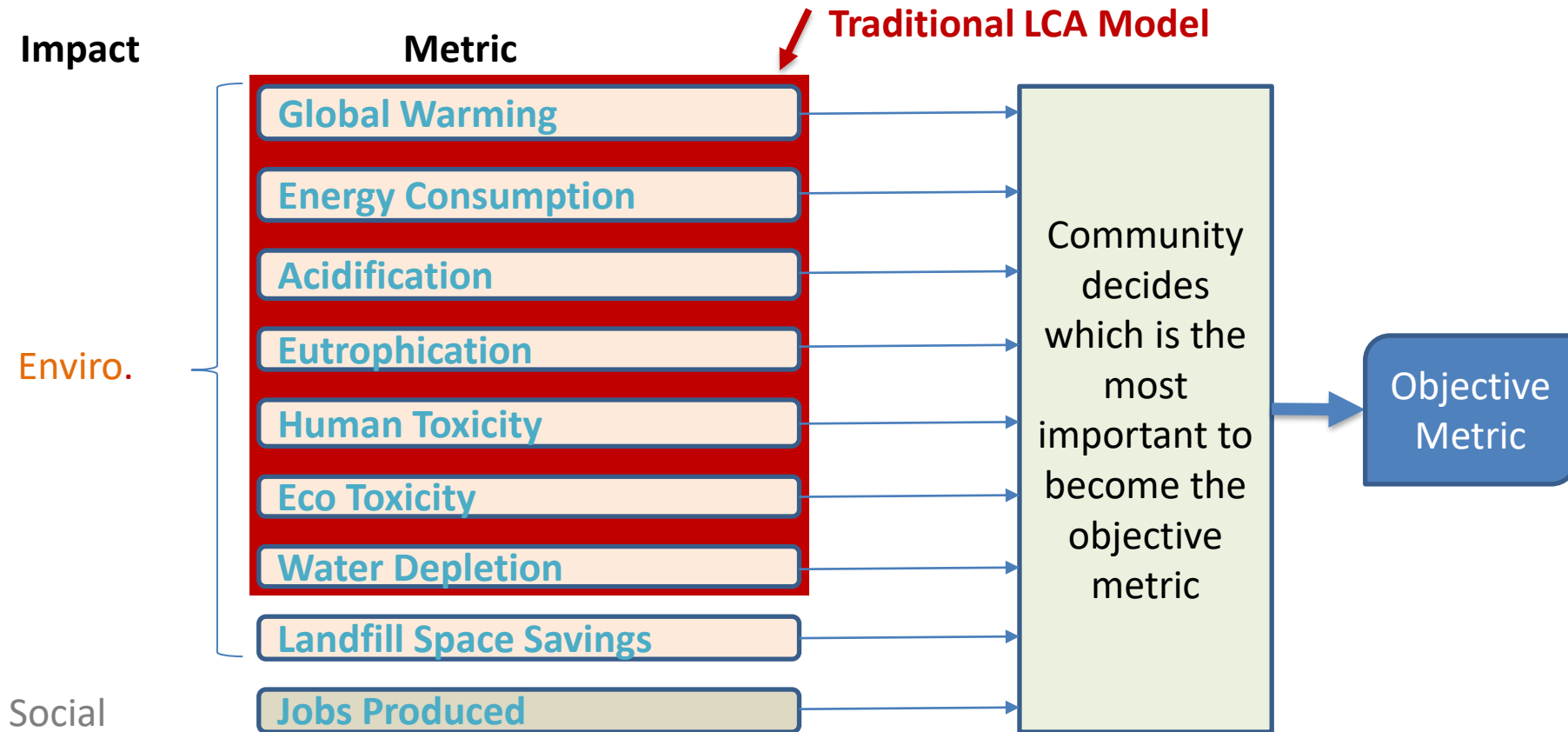
Mass Data



LCI Factors



Methods of Obtaining Environmental-Based LCI Factors



Traditional LCA Models

Version 15

Waste Reduction Model (WARM) -- Inputs

Use this worksheet to describe the baseline and alternative waste management scenarios that you want to compare. The blue shaded areas indicate where you need to enter information.
Please enter data in short tons (1 short ton = 2,000 lbs.)

1. Describe the baseline generation and management for the waste materials listed below. If the material is not generated in your community or you do not want to analyze it, leave it blank or enter 0. Make sure that the total quantity generated equals the total quantity managed.

2. Describe the alternative management scenario for the waste materials generated in the baseline. Any decrease in generation should be entered in the Source Reduction column. Any increase in generation should be entered in the Source Reduction column as a negative value. Make sure that the total quantity generated equals the total quantity managed.

Material Type	Material	Tons Recycled	Tons Landfilled	Tons Combusted	Tons Composted	Tons Anaerobically Digested	Tons Generated	Tons Source Reduced	Tons Recycled	Tons Landfilled	Tons Combusted	Tons Composted	Tons Anaerobically Digested
<p>3. In order to account for the avoided electricity-related emissions in the landfilling and combustion pathways, EPA assigns the appropriate regional "marginal" electricity grid mix emission factor based on your location. Select state for which you are conducting this analysis.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>Please select state or select national average: National Average</p> <p>Region Location: National Average</p> </div> <p>4. To estimate the benefits from source reduction, EPA usually assumes that the material that is source reduced would have been manufactured from the current mix of virgin and recycled inputs. However, you may choose to estimate the emission reductions from source reduction under the assumption that the material would have been manufactured from 100% virgin inputs in order to obtain an upper bound estimate of the benefits from source reduction. Select which assumption you want to use in the analysis. Note that for materials for which information on the share of recycled inputs used in production is unavailable or is not a common practice; EPA assumes that the current mix is comprised of 100% virgin inputs. Consequently, the source reduction benefits of both the "Current mix" and "100% virgin" inputs are the same.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Current Mix</p> <p><input type="radio"/> 100% Virgin</p> </div> <p>5. The emissions from landfilling depends on whether the landfill where your waste is disposed has a landfill gas (LFG) control system. If you do not know whether your landfill has LFG control, select "National Average" to calculate emissions based on the estimated proportions of landfills with LFG control in 2012 and proceed to question 7. If your landfill does not have a LFG system, select "No LFG Recovery" and proceed to question 8. If a LFG system is in place at your landfill, select "LFG Recovery" and click one of the options in 6a to indicate whether LFG is recovered for energy or flared.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> National Average</p> <p><input type="radio"/> LFG Recovery</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No LFG Recovery</p> </div> <p>6a. If your landfill has gas recovery, does it recover the methane for energy or flare it?</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Recover for energy</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Flare</p> </div>													

EPA Waste Reduction Model (WARM) User Input

Traditional LCA Models

Per Ton Estimates of GHG Emissions for Baseline and Alternative Management Scenarios

Material	GHG Emissions per Ton of Material Source Reduced (MTCO ₂ E)	GHG Emissions per Ton of Material Recycled (MTCO ₂ E)	GHG Emissions per Ton of Material Landfilled (MTCO ₂ E)	GHG Emissions per Ton of Material Combusted (MTCO ₂ E)	GHG Emissions per Ton of Material Composted (MTCO ₂ E)	GHG Emission per Ton of Material Anaerobically Digested (MTCO ₂ E)
Corrugated Containers	(5.58)	(3.14)	0.25	(0.49)	NA	NA
Magazines/third-class mail	(8.57)	(3.07)	(0.40)	(0.36)	NA	NA
Newspaper	(4.68)	(2.71)	(0.82)	(0.56)	NA	NA
Office Paper	(7.95)	(2.87)	1.24	(0.47)	NA	NA
Phonebooks	(6.17)	(2.63)	(0.82)	(0.56)	NA	NA
Textbooks	(9.02)	(3.11)	1.24	(0.47)	NA	NA
Mixed Paper (general)	(6.07)	(3.55)	0.14	(0.49)	NA	NA
Mixed Paper (primarily residential)	(6.00)	(3.55)	0.08	(0.49)	NA	NA
Mixed Paper (primarily from offices)	(7.37)	(3.58)	0.18	(0.45)	NA	NA
Food Waste	(3.66)	NA	0.54	(0.14)	(0.18)	(0.04)
Food Waste (non-meat)	(0.76)	NA	0.54	(0.14)	(0.18)	(0.04)
Food Waste (meat only)	(15.10)	NA	0.54	(0.14)	(0.18)	(0.04)
Beef	(30.09)	NA	0.54	(0.14)	(0.18)	(0.04)
Poultry	(2.45)	NA	0.54	(0.14)	(0.18)	(0.04)
Grains	(0.62)	NA	0.54	(0.14)	(0.18)	(0.04)
Bread	(0.66)	NA	0.54	(0.14)	(0.18)	(0.04)
Fruits and Vegetables	(0.44)	NA	0.54	(0.14)	(0.18)	(0.04)
Dairy Products	(1.75)	NA	0.54	(0.14)	(0.18)	(0.04)
Yard Trimmings	NA	NA	(0.18)	(0.17)	(0.15)	(0.09)
Grass	NA	NA	0.13	(0.17)	(0.15)	0.00
Leaves	NA	NA	(0.52)	(0.17)	(0.15)	(0.15)
Branches	NA	NA	(0.50)	(0.17)	(0.15)	(0.23)
HDPE	(1.42)	(0.86)	0.02	1.28	NA	NA
LDPE	(1.80)	NA	0.02	1.29	NA	NA
PET	(2.17)	(1.15)	0.02	1.24	NA	NA

EPA Waste Reduction Model (WARM) Results Output

Traditional LCA Models

RTI International - Municipal Solid Waste Decision Support Tool: Case Scenario (d)

File Help Advanced

Define Generation

Select Processes

Select Report Options

Specify Process Inputs

Build Model

Set Process Constraints

Set Diversion Targets

Solve and View Reports

Specify Process Inputs

Save and Build Model



Enter Values or Accept All Defaults. Visited forms are marked in blue and saved forms are marked in green.

Input Parameters

- [-] Scenario
 - [-] Solid Waste Generation
 - [-] Solid Waste Stream Composition
 - Residential Waste Stream Fractions: Sector 1**
 - Residential Waste Stream Fractions: Sector 2
 - Multifamily Waste Stream Fractions: Sector 1
 - Multifamily Waste Stream Fractions: Sector 2
 - Commercial Waste Stream Fractions: Sector 1
 - Commercial Waste Stream Fractions: Sector 2
 - Commercial Waste Stream Fractions: Sector 3
 - Commercial Waste Stream Fractions: Sector 4
 - Commercial Waste Stream Fractions: Sector 5
 - [-] Solid Waste Properties
 - Solid Waste Density
 - Solid Waste Heating Value
 - Solid Waste Ash Content
 - Solid Waste Combustion Efficiency
 - Solid Waste Water Content
 - [-] Energy
 - [-] Electrical Energy
 - Select Regional Electricity Grid
 - User Defined Regional Electricity Grid Mix
 - User Defined Regional Grid Generation Efficiencies
 - Regional Displacement Fuel Definition
 - [-] Energy Cost and Revenues
 - Electricity and Fuel Costs

Enter Residential Waste Stream Fractions: Sector 1

Enter site-specific waste composition information to replace the default U.S. national average values provided. Waste composition is entered as mass fractions, based on wet weights. Any user-entered values must maintain a total sum of 1 (100%) for all fractions.

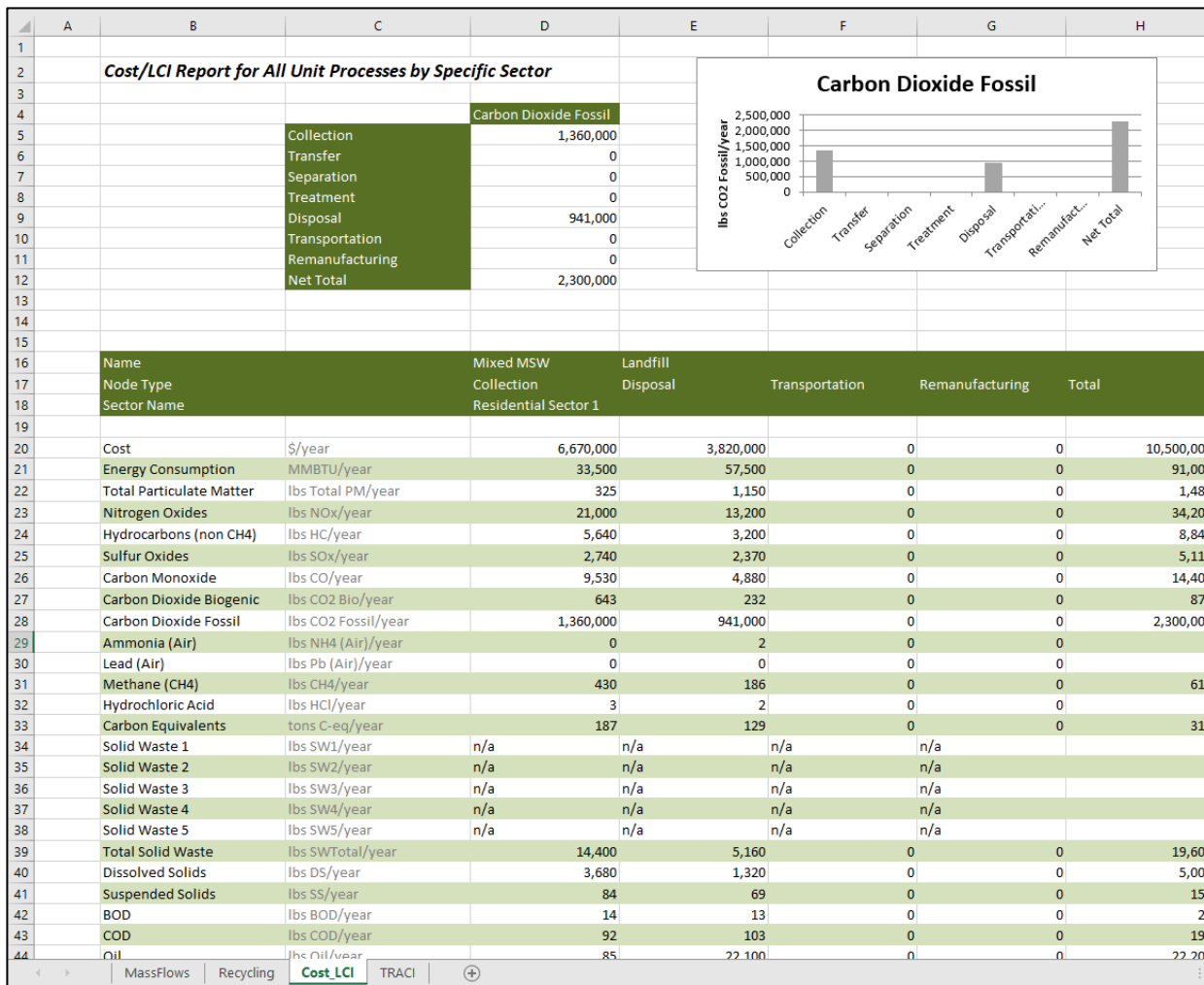
Parameter Description	Value	Units
Leaves	<input type="text" value="0.04"/>	fraction of 1
Grass	<input type="text" value="0.054"/>	fraction of 1

Save

Restore Defaults

EPA/RTI Municipal Solid Waste Decision Support Tool (MSW-DST) User Input

Traditional LCA Models



EPA/RTI Municipal Solid Waste Decision Support Tool (MSW-DST) Results Output

Traditional LCA Models

Solid Waste Optimization Life-cycle Framework
Accounting Mode Tool
 Developed at North Carolina State University

System Inputs

Scenario name:

Starting Process:

New Scenario

Continue Scenario

Clears all data and starts from the beginning

Continues from save point

Additional resources

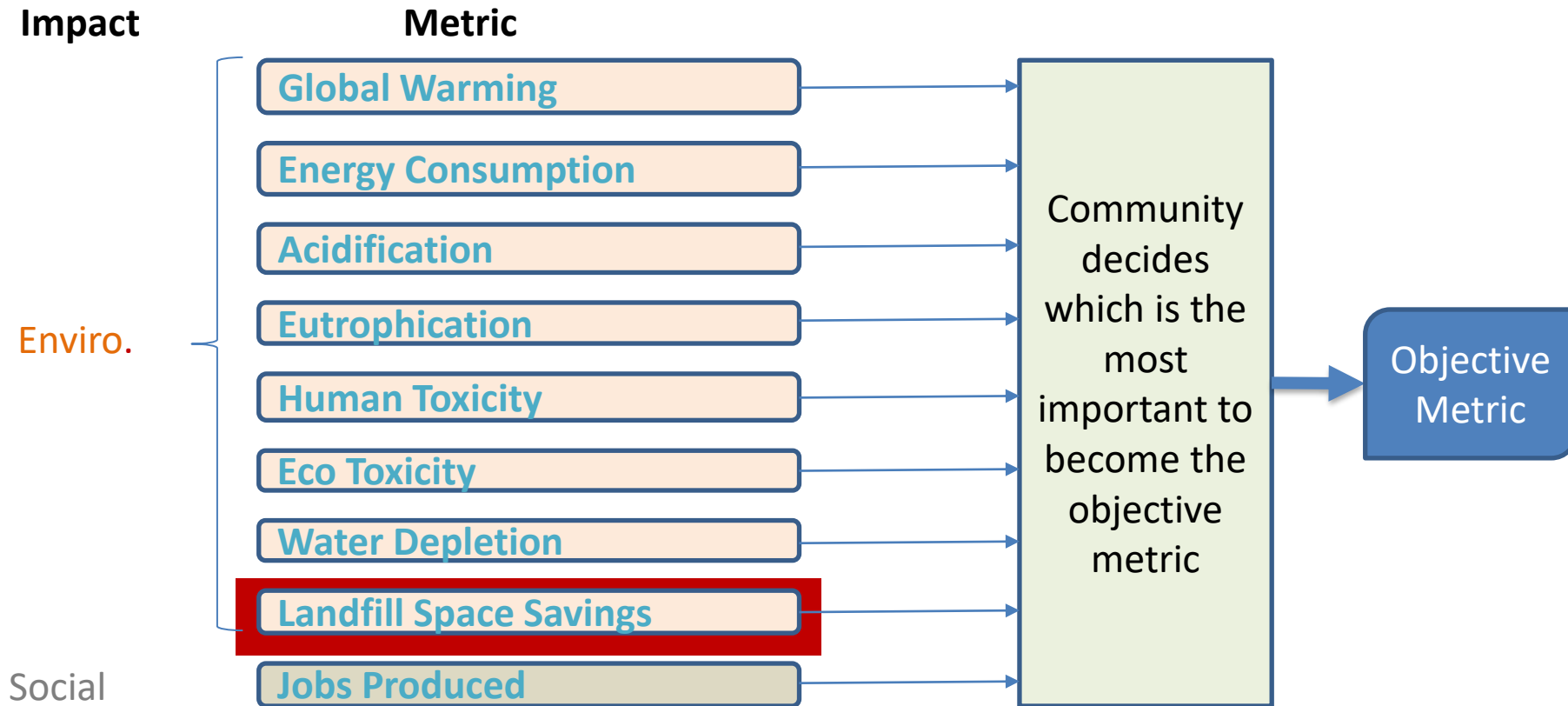
Additional model documentation and publications can be found at the SWOLF website
go.ncsu.edu/SWOLF

Change log and version

Date	Changes	Version #
August 11, 2016	Initial release of evaluation version.	0.9
November 30, 2016	Updated collection models and calculations.	0.9.1
December 13, 2016	Updated calculations for other modes of internodal transportation	0.9.2
February 10, 2017	Added Continue Scenario option	0.9.3
March 26, 2018	Added additional error checking and removed mixed waste collection.	0.9.4
April 3, 2019	Made additional to models and calculations.	0.9.5

NCSU Solid Waste Optimization Framework (SWOLF) User Input

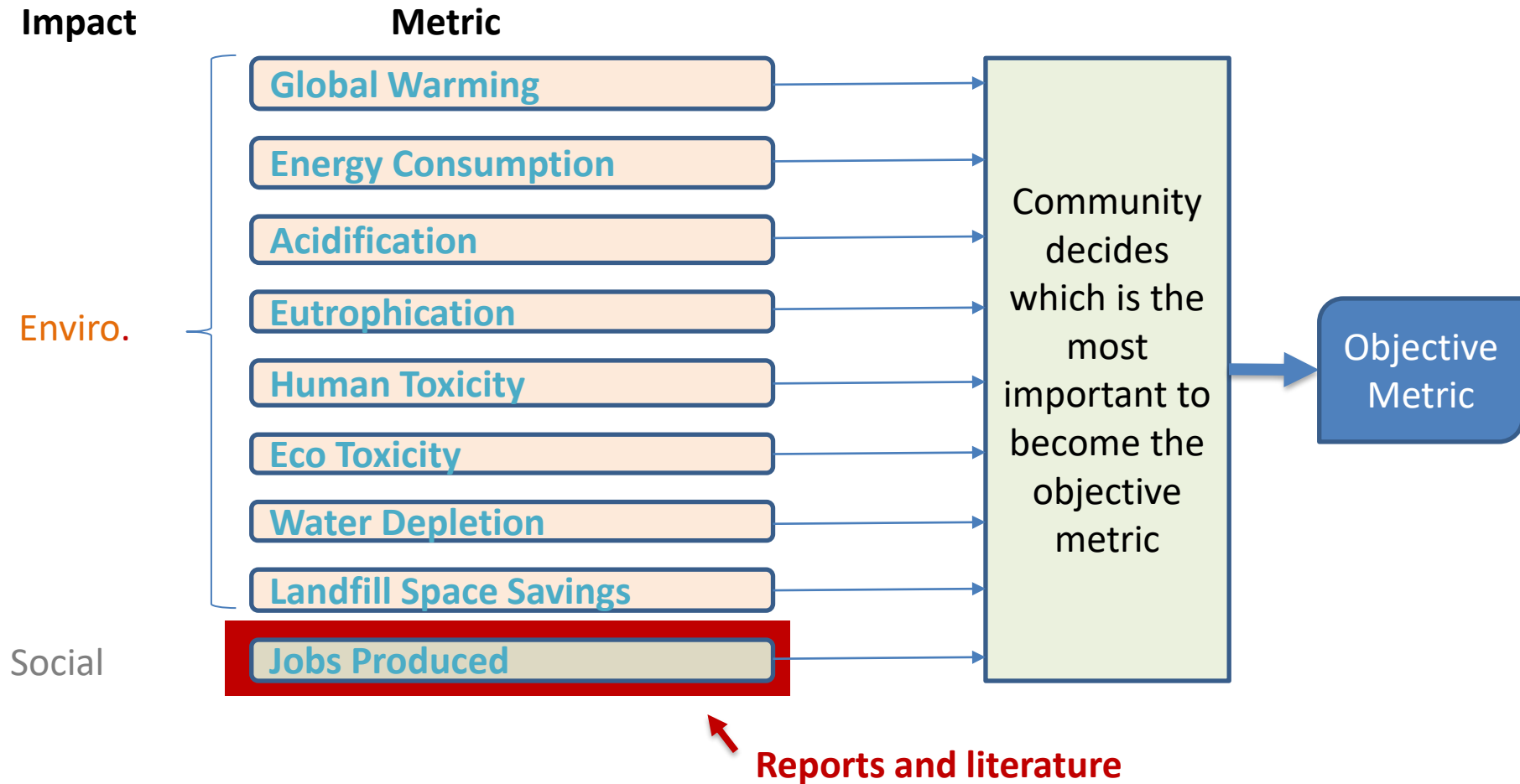
Methods of Obtaining Environmental-Based LCI Factors



Landfill Space Savings



Methods of Obtaining Environmental-Based LCI Factors



HC18/19 Workbook Tool

Workbook Tool Introduction Screen for Users

Florida's 75% Recycling Goal: Development of a Methodology and Tool for Assessing Sustainable Materials Management Recycling Rates in Florida

Welcome to the Hinkley Center for Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Funded SMM Workbook Tool!

This tool is an outcome of the Hinkley Center funded project titled, "Looking beyond Florida's 75% Recycling Goal: Development of a Methodology and Tool for Assessing Sustainable Materials Management Recycling Rates in Florida". In a previous Hinkley Center project titled, "Florida Solid Waste Management: State of the State", researchers from the University of Florida estimated the material mass flow for the Florida solid waste stream and conducted a comprehensive analysis on the economic costs and environmental footprints associated with the 2016 waste stream. The researchers also conducted an evaluation of alternative waste management strategies upon the recycling rate, economic costs, and environmental footprint. The alternative waste management strategies were based on the concept of sustainable materials management (SMM). SMM originated in a 2002 EPA publication entitled "Beyond RCRA: Waste and Materials Management in the Year 2020." In 2009, EPA further developed the idea in "Sustainable Materials Management: The Road Ahead," which presented a roadmap for moving toward SMM. In these and other documents, SMM is characterized as a varying set of resource-efficient actions to be taken across the entire lifecycle of a material or product — from extraction through refinement, manufacturing, assembly, distribution, use, and end-of-life management. SMM, then, focuses on identifying best material management practices based on environmental, economic, and social impacts. Lifecycle assessment (LCA) models are tools that measure those impacts, and policymakers use LCA results to make SMM-informed decisions. In effort to continue this research, University of Florida researchers evaluated various US-developed LCA models and literature to create lifecycle impact (LCI) factors that can be used to measure the impacts of a community's waste management practices as part of the "Looking beyond Florida's 75% Recycling Goal: Development of a Methodology and Tool for Assessing Sustainable Materials Management Recycling Rates in Florida" project.

To read more on the scope of this project and documentation of this tool please visit:

<https://www.essie.ufl.edu/home/townsend/research/florida-solid-waste-issues/hc18/>

To read more about the previous project please visit:

<https://www.essie.ufl.edu/home/townsend/research/florida-solid-waste-issues/hc16/>

This workbook tool provides local government and other users the opportunity to measure the impacts of their solid waste management practices. Below is a description of the components of this workbook tool.

Tab No.	Tab Title	Tab Description
1	User Input	User must complete Steps 1 and 2. Step 1 permits the user to select from seven models, which are used to estimate LCI factors. The LCI factors are specifically associated with each model. In Step 2 the user must enter the

Introduction

1-User Input

2-Summary LCA Output

3-Clim. Chan. (tCO₂eq per Ton)

4-Energy ...

HC18/19 Workbook Tool

User Input Page to Select LCA Model and Input Mass Data

Model	Description of LCI Factors That Can be Estimated When Selecting Model
MSWDST (FL)	5 LCI factors: climate change, human toxicity, marine ecotoxicity, acidification potential, eutrophication potential. Factors were created using Florida-specific electricity grid.
SWOLF (FL)	7 LCI factors: climate change, energy use, water use, human toxicity, marine ecotoxicity, acidification potential, eutrophication potential. Factors were created using Florida-specific electricity grid.
SWOLF (US)	7 LCI factors: climate change, energy use, water use, human toxicity, marine ecotoxicity, acidification potential, eutrophication potential. Factors were created using US national average-specific electricity grid.
WARM (FL)	2 LCI factors: climate change and energy use. Factors were created using Florida-specific electricity grid.
WARM (US)	2 LCI factors: climate change and energy use. Factors were created using US national average-specific electricity grid.
Literature	Uses data from peer-reviewed published studies and LCA study reports. The LCI factors vary depending upon the material. <i>Note: For the two LCI factors, Jobs Produced and Landfill Space Use, the user must select this model to receive the outputs.</i>

Step 2:
 Input mass data in US short tons in for each material category and its corresponding management approach. For example, if 20 tons of newspaper were collected, 5 of those tons were recycled landfilled then type "20" into cell E20, "10" into cell F20, and "15" into cell I20.

Input data:
Table 1. Mass estimates (tons)

Material Category	Item No.	Material Type	Collection	Recycling	Composting	Anaerobic Digestion	Landfill	Combustion	Check mass
MSW	1	Mixed MSW							
	2	Newspaper							
Paper	3	Corrugated Cardboard (OCC)							
	4	High Grade Paper (Office Type Paper)							
	5	Magazines/third-class mail							
	6	Mixed Paper							
Plastic	7	HDPE							
	8	PET							
	9	Mixed Plastic							
Glass	10	Glass							
	11	Aluminum Cans							

HC18/19 Workbook Tool

All Units (Gal./ Short Ton)

Water Use (Gallons): Freshwater from lakes, rivers, and wells are consumed by different processes. The units are expressed as units of gallons. This a measure of the water used in such way that the water is evaporated, incorporated into products, transferred to other watersheds, or disposed into the sea.

Material Category	Item No.	Material Type	Collection	Recycling	Composting	Anaerobic Digestion	Landfill	Combustion
MSW	1	Mixed MSW	26.20	NA	NA	NA	(16.88)	(141.69)
	2	Newspaper	26.20	(542.48)	(10.80)	4.81	(21.40)	(434.87)
Paper	3	Corrugated Cardboard (OCC)	26.20	91.54	(7.46)	(85.86)	(72.62)	(363.42)
	4	High Grade Paper (Office Type Paper)	26.20	94.33	(5.84)	(152.76)	(155.33)	(333.90)
	5	Magazines/third-class mail	26.20	(272.97)	(19.18)	(74.60)	(19.36)	(331.20)
	6	Mixed Paper	26.20	(542.48)	(19.06)	(50.60)	(67.40)	(368.47)
Plastic	7	HDPE	26.20	113.32	NA	NA	30.62	(977.29)
	8	PET	26.20	(381.55)	NA	NA	30.65	(977.29)
	9	Mixed Plastic	26.20	NA	NA	NA	30.65	(1,027.86)
Glass	10	Glass	26.20	(46.66)	NA	NA	30.65	14.67
Metals	11	Aluminum Cans	26.20	(7,964.58)	NA	NA	30.65	(3,939.95)
	12	Steel/Tin Cans	26.20	(536.23)	NA	NA	30.65	(451.44)
	13	Mixed Metals	26.20	(4,250.36)	NA	NA	30.65	(4,116.48)
Organic	14	Yard Waste	26.20	NA	(138.54)	(19.87)	15.88	(173.96)
	15	Food Waste	26.20	NA	(73.28)	(191.40)	(45.35)	(169.79)
Other	16	Tires	26.20	NA	NA	NA	30.65	(701.25)
	17	Clothing and Footwear	26.20	NA	(292.15)	(6.81)	NA	(173.96)
	18	Electronics	26.20	NA	NA	NA	NA	(173.96)
C&D Debris	19	Dimensional Lumber	26.20	NA	(84.81)	5.41	NA	(173.96)
	20	Asphalt Shingles	26.20	NA	NA	NA	NA	(173.96)
	21	Gypsum Drywall	26.20	NA	NA	NA	NA	(173.96)
	22	Concrete	26.20	NA	NA	NA	NA	(173.96)
	23	Reclaimed Asphalt Pavement	26.20	NA	NA	NA	NA	(173.96)

**Impact Factor Page
for Water Use
(Gal/Ton) for
Selected LCA**

HC18/19 Workbook Tool

Summary Output: All output units are in parenthesis next to the table label and LCI factor category name. A negative value

Output data:

Table 1.

Climate Change (tCO₂eq.): Greenhouse gases (GHG) absorb energy and slow energy from escaping into space which causes the Earth to warm. This is expressed as units of tCO₂eq. of material to allow for comparison of global warming impacts of different gases relative to CO₂. This is a measure of the energy the emission of 1 ton of gas will absorb over a given period of time, relative to the emissions of 1 ton of CO₂.

Material Category	Item No.	Material Type	Collection	Recycling	Composting	Anaerobic Digestion	Landfill	Combustion	Total
MSW	1	Mixed MSW	3.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
	2	Newspaper	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paper	3	Corrugated Cardboard (OCC)	3.6	2.3	-	-	-	-	-
	4	High Grade Paper (Office Type Paper)	3.6	18.5	-	-	-	-	-
	5	Magazines/third-class mail	3.6	(20.4)	-	-	-	(5.3)	(22.0)
	6	Mixed Paper	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Plastic	7	HDPE	3.6	1.1	-	-	0.9	-	5.6
	8	PET	3.6	(77.6)	-	-	0.9	-	(73.1)
	9	Mixed Plastic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Glass	10	Glass	3.6	(11.1)	-	-	0.9	-	(6.6)
Metals	11	Aluminum Cans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	12	Steel/Tin Cans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	13	Mixed Metals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Organic	14	Yard Waste	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	15	Food Waste	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	16	Tires	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	17	Clothing and Footwear	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	18	Electronics	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
C&D Debris	19	Dimensional Lumber	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	20	Asphalt Shingles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	21	Gypsum Drywall	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	22	Concrete	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	23	Reclaimed Asphalt Pavement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total			25.5	(87.2)	-	-	5.8	-	(55.9)

Summary LCA Output for Selected LCA and Impact Categories Based on User Mass Data

Table 2.

Energy Use (MJ): Energy is consumed by different processes, the units are expressed as MJ. This is a measure of the direct and indirect energy use throughout the life cycle and can include both renewable and non-renewable energy source.

Material Category	Item No.	Material Type	Collection	Recycling	Composting	Anaerobic Digestion	Landfill	Combustion	Total
MSW	1	Mixed MSW	225,905	-	-	-	13,699	-	239,604
	2	Newspaper	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paper	3	Corrugated Cardboard (OCC)	225,905	19,720	-	-	4,088	-	249,713
	4	High Grade Paper (Office Type Paper)	225,905	119,282	-	-	(10,173)	-	335,014
	5	Magazines/third-class mail	225,905	(270,019)	-	-	13,270	-	(30,844)
	6	Mixed Paper	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Plastic	7	HDPE	225,905	105,183	-	-	21,888	-	352,976
	8	PET	225,905	(988,332)	-	-	21,887	-	(740,540)
	9	Mixed Plastic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Glass	10	Glass	225,905	(73,435)	-	-	21,887	-	174,357
	11	Aluminum Cans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Introduction

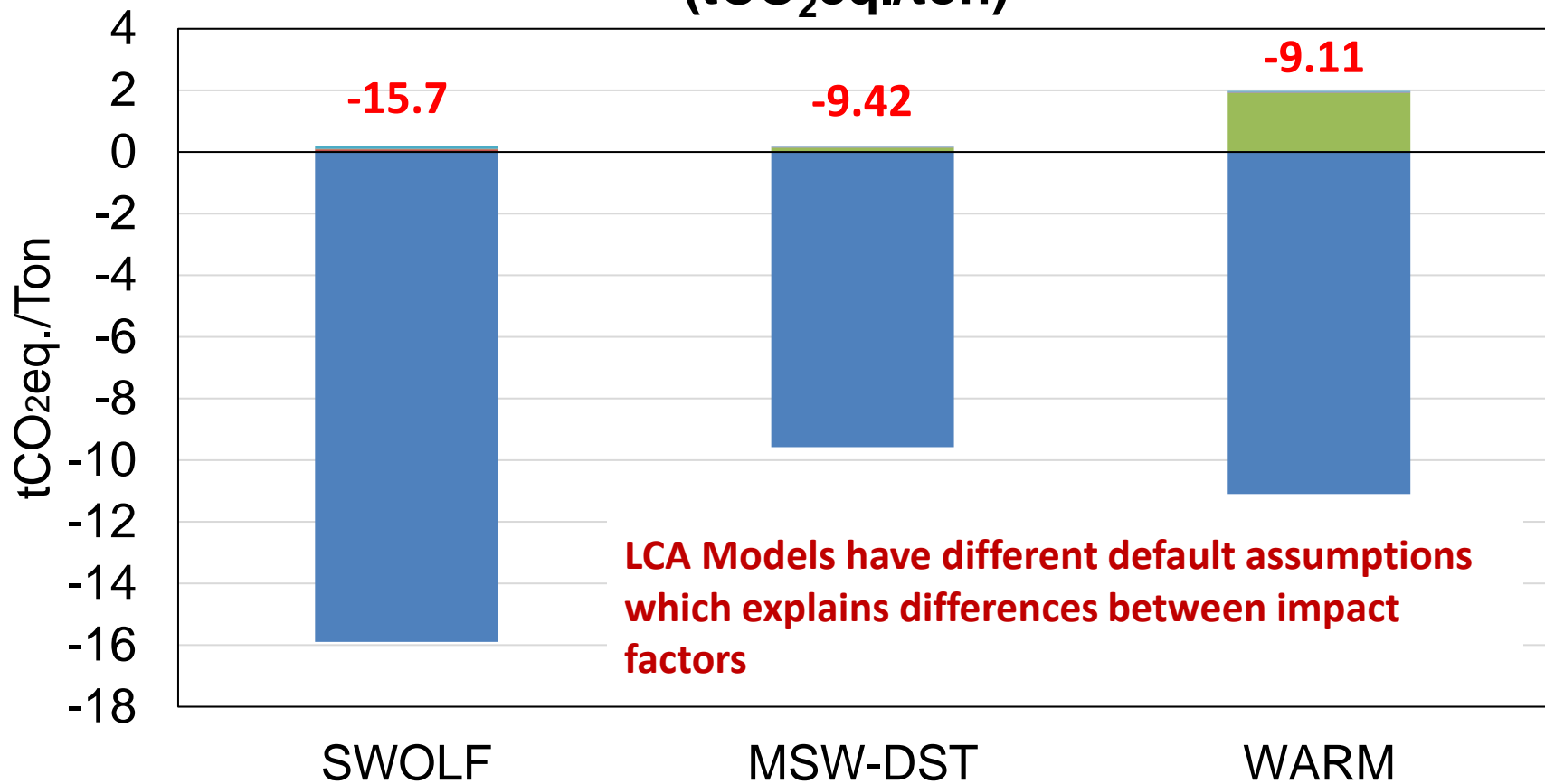
1-User Input

2-Summary LCA Output

3-Clim. Chan. (tCO₂eq per Ton)

4-Energy ...

Recycling Aluminum Cans GHG Emission Factor (tCO₂eq./ton)



■ Remanufacturing

■ Landfill Residuals

■ Separation at MRF

■ Transportation

■ Collection

Use the tool to measure waste management system footprints

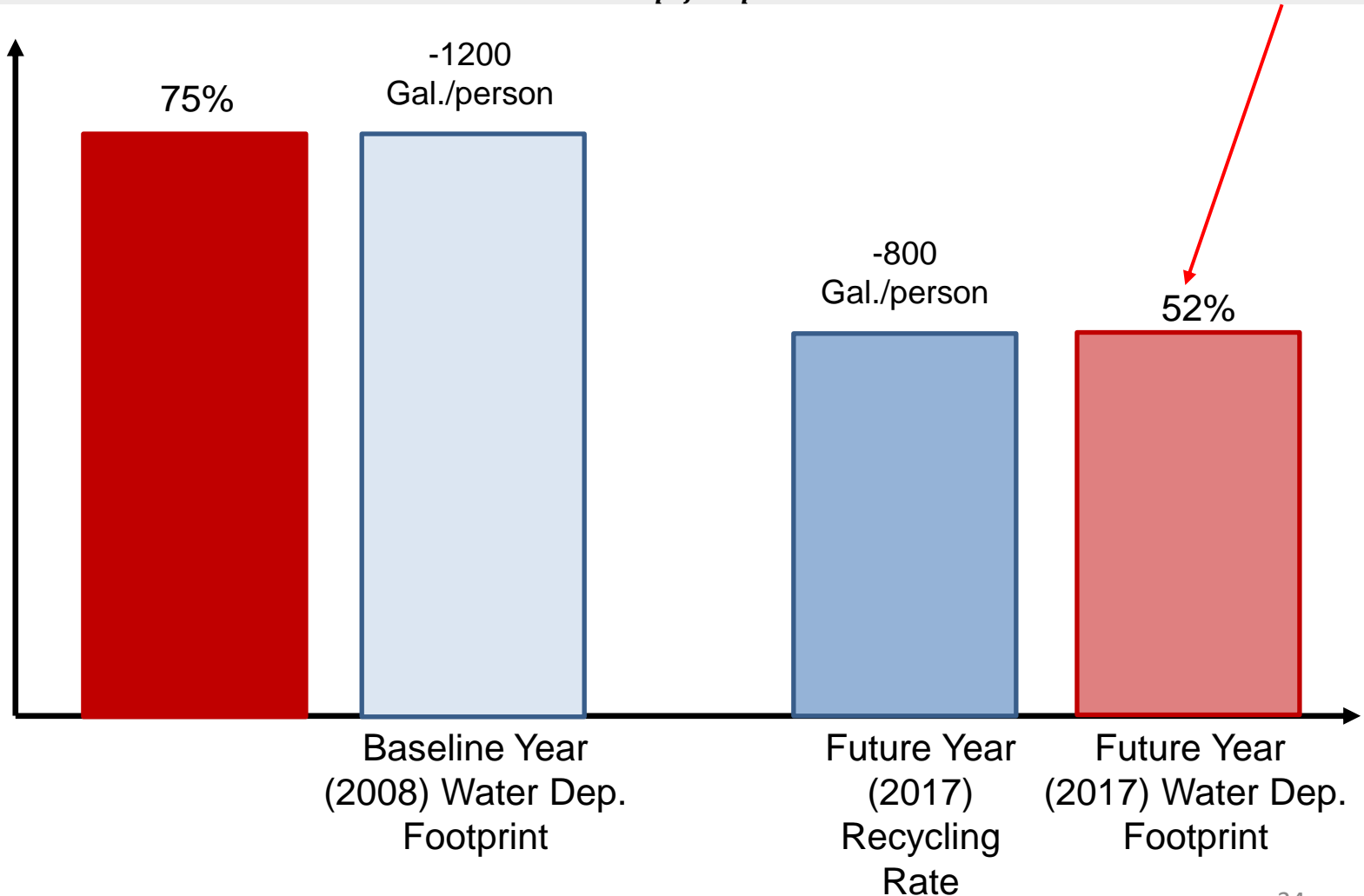
For Florida 2018 Solid Waste Management System:

- GHG Emissions Footprint: **-0.91 to -1.3 tCO₂eq./person**
- Energy Use Footprint: **-7,700 to -18,050 MJ/person**
- Water Use Footprint : **-800 gal/person**
- Human Toxicity Footprint: **-0.00021 to -0.00029 CTUh/person**
- Ecotoxicity Footprint: **-33 to -6,200 CTUe/person**
- Eutrophication Footprint: **-0.23 to 0.21 kgNeq./person**
- Acidification Footprint: **-7 to -10 kgSO₂eq./person**

Note: Range is because we used SWOLF, WARM, and MSW-DST impact factors

Use the tool to evaluate other metrics for using environmental impacts in goal setting

$$\text{Water Dep.-Based Recycling Rate} = \frac{\text{Future Year Water Dep. footprint}}{\text{Baseline Year Water Dep. footprint}} \text{ (Target Recycling Rate) } =$$



Projects History

2016

Hinkley Center
Florida Solid Waste
Management: State
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WasteCalc
Update

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2019

FDEP
WasteCalc &
Waste
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Updated WasteCalc Composition Studies

Input

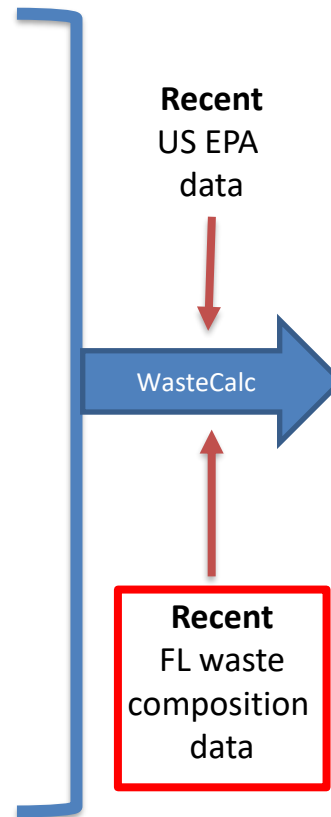
Recycled Tons	
Newspaper	Ferrous Metals
Glass	White Goods
Aluminum Cans	Non Ferrous Metals
Plastic Bottles	Other Paper
Steel Cans	Textiles
Corrugated Boxes	C&D Debris
Office Paper	Food Waste
Yard Trash	Miscellaneous
Other Plastics	Tires

Landfilled Tons

Combusted Tons

Collected C&D Tons

Behind the Scenes



Output

% MSW Composition

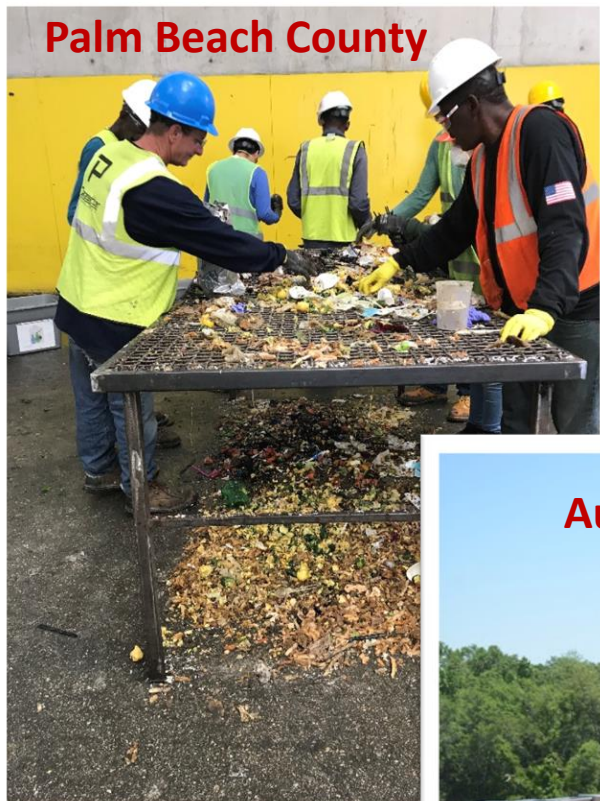
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Tons MSW Composition

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Composition Studies

Palm Beach County



Orange County



Aucilla Landfill Area



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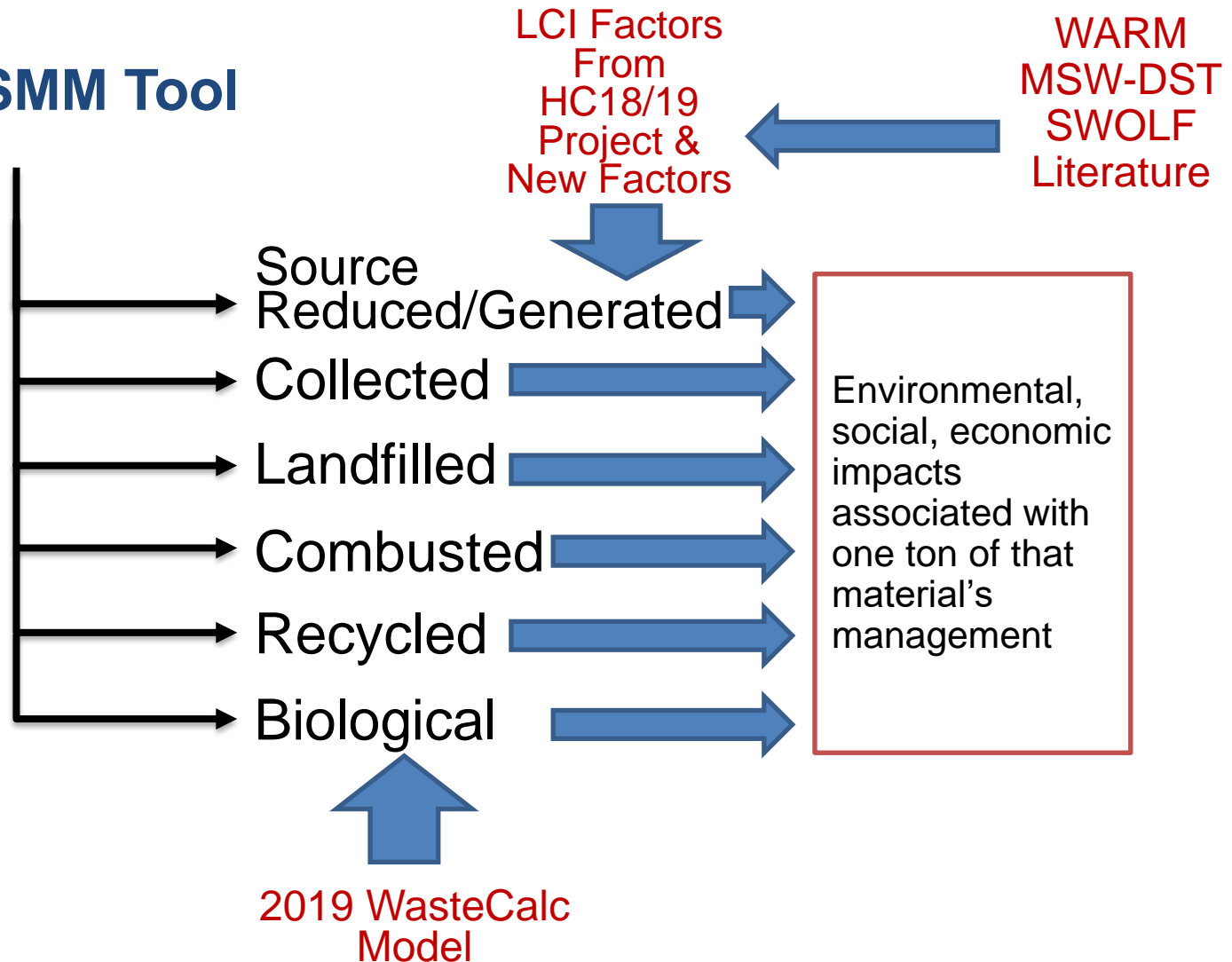
Hinkley Center
An Integrated
Tool for Local
Government to
Track Materials
Management
and Progress
toward
Sustainability
Goals
(HC19/20 Project)

HC 19/20 Tasks

- **Refinements to the WasteCalc model** in a manner that retains its existing functionality
- **Incorporate SMM using metrics to measure** environmental, social, and economic **impacts** developed from the FY18/19 project, include new waste categories, and provide a **means to better integrate source reduction activities**
- **Develop necessary support materials** for future users and developers

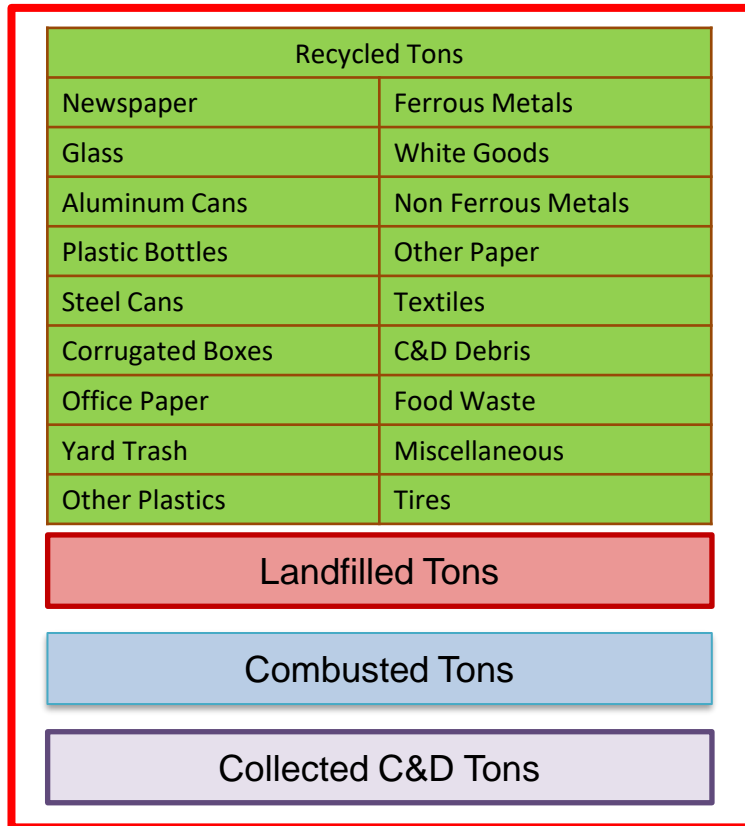
Incorporate SMM Using Metrics

2020 SMM Tool



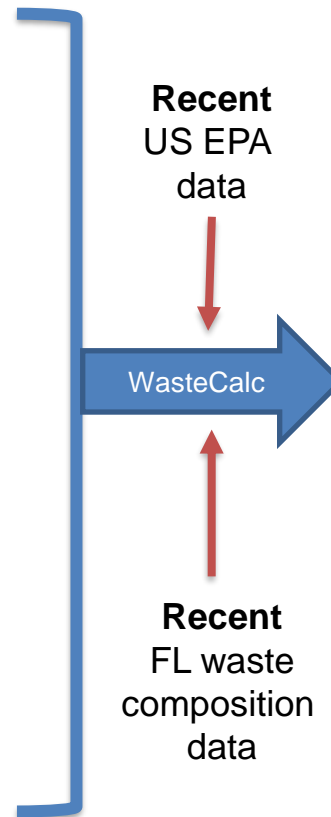
Refinements to the 2019 WasteCalc Model

Input



New Input Options

Behind the Scenes



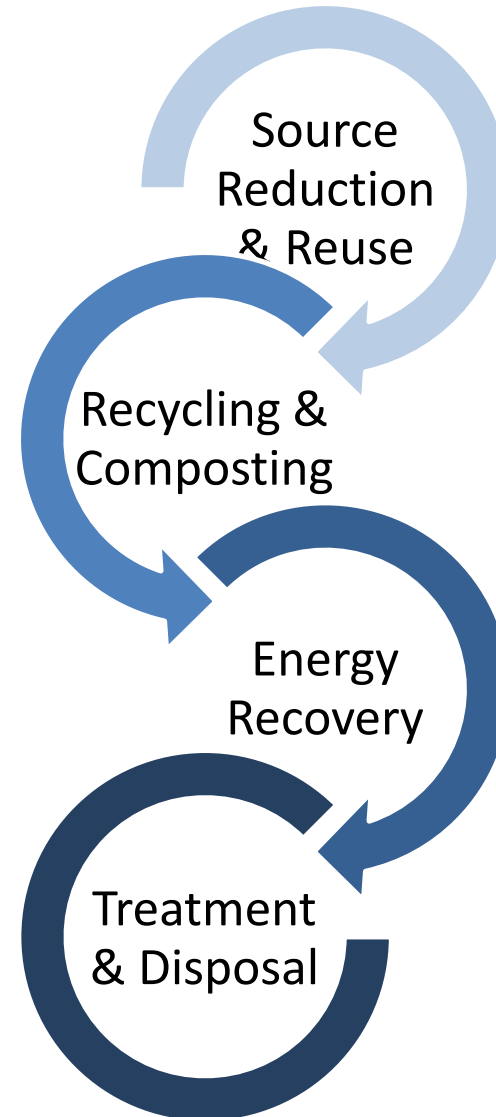
Output



New Outputs

Integrate Source Reduction Activities

- Measure the mass of materials consumed for in previous years and compare to recent years
- Donation is a form of source reduction since materials are directly reused
 - Map the donation flow of materials



New Material Categories

Based on FDEP 18 categories and 2019 WasteCalc Estimates

Original FDEP Categories	New Categories
Newspaper	
Glass	
Aluminum Cans	
Plastic Bottles	HDPE and PET
Steel Cans	
Corrugated Boxes	
Office Paper	
Yard Trash	
Other Plastics	Mixed plastics
Ferrous Metals	Mixed metals
White Goods	Electronics
Non Ferrous Metals	Mixed metals
Other Paper	Mixed paper, magazines/third-class mail, and books
Textiles	Clothing and footwear
C&D Debris	Wood products, asphalt shingles, gypsum drywall, concrete, asphalt pavement
Food Waste	
Miscellaneous	Mixed MSW, electronics, and furniture
Tires	
Process Fuel	

2021 SMM Tool Walkthrough

Tool Beta Testing Feedback

Six Counties Invited (small, medium, and large)

No guidance provided other than the directions in the tool.

Feedback:

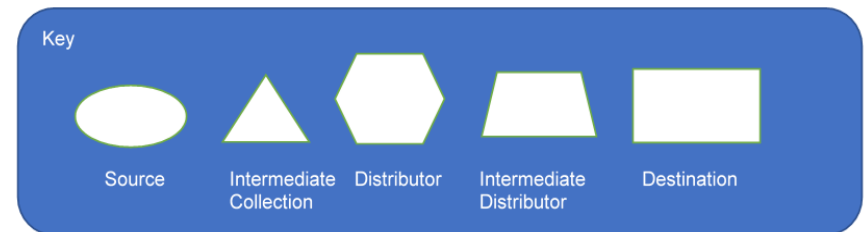
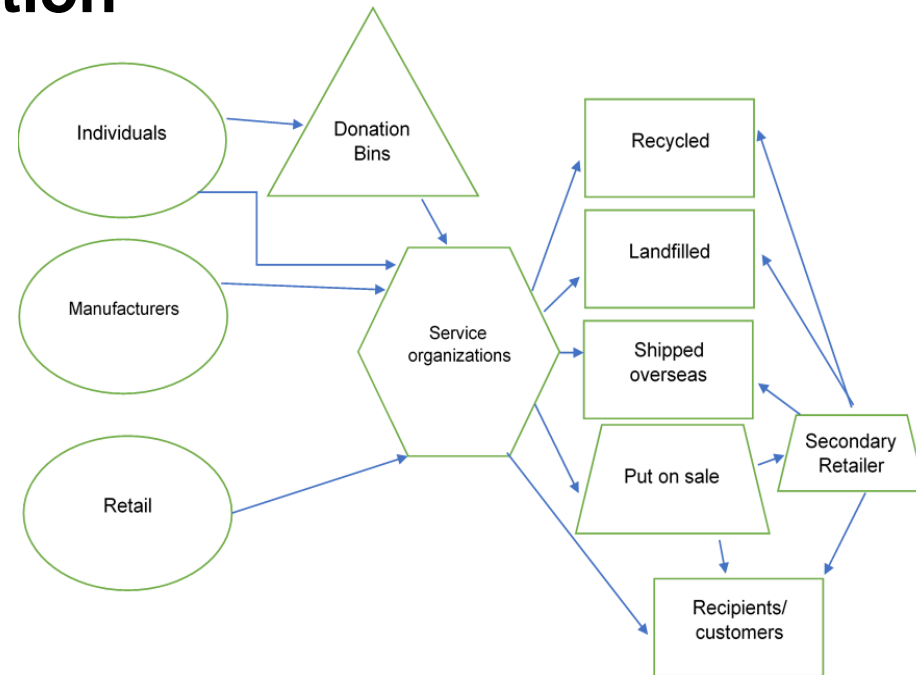
- Most counties do use WasteCalc
- All selected SWOLF Florida Specific mostly because it had the most indicators
- Not much confusion on directions
- More details on which model to select
- More clarification on how materials were broken up for SMM
- More explanation on what the difference between indicators are
- Confusion on purpose of collected data section
- All said their county can use the tool in their solid waste management planning, one said can be used for educational purposes (schools/residents)
- Training materials recommended: workshop, recorded walkthrough, webinar, multi-day training
- Questions on how tool measures success, how it measures against other counties, how measurement for different years are done

2021 SMM Tool Feedback

Integrate Source Reduction Activities: Textiles Donation

- Services will either put the item so sale, ship them overseas for resale, or dispose of them
- Data from Goodwill collected for Florida Total

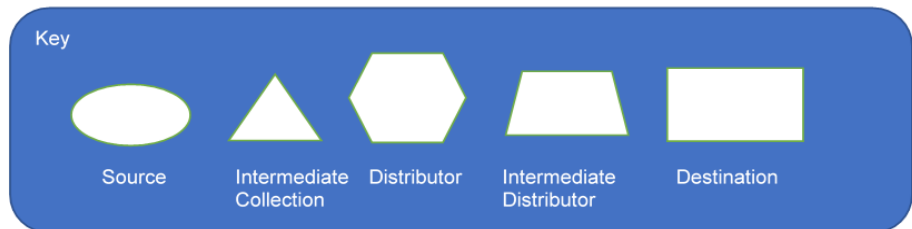
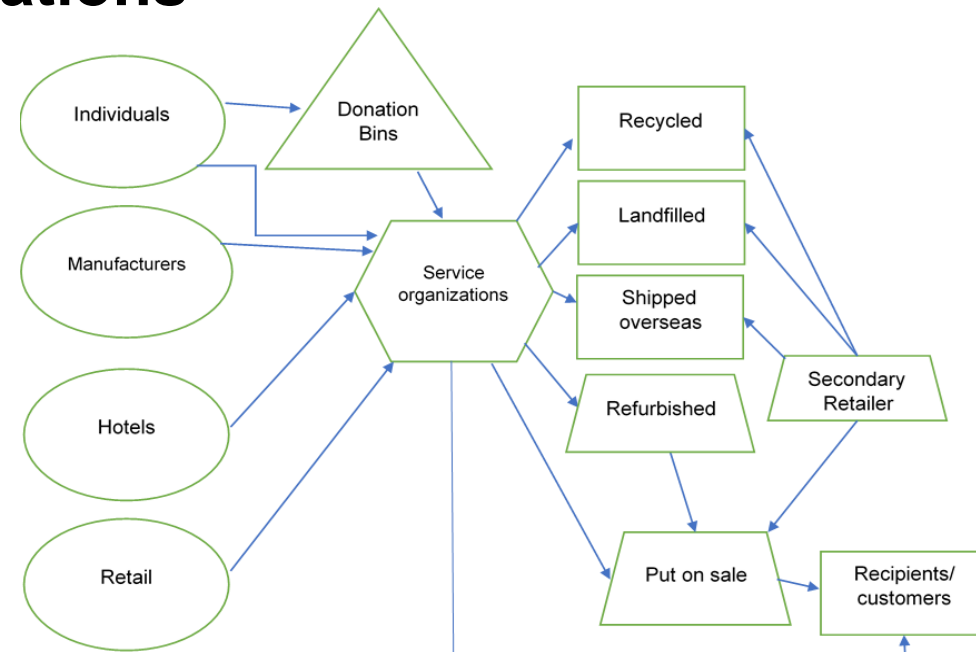
Total Textiles Donated at Goodwill = ~3,000 Tons / Yr



Integrate Source Reduction Activities: Furniture Donations

- Most services do not measure mass sold or received of furniture
- Data from Goodwill collected for Florida Total

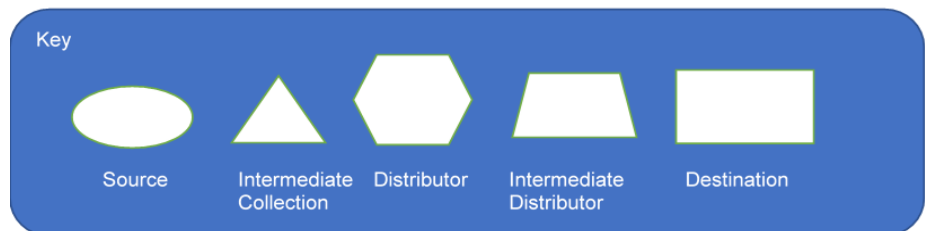
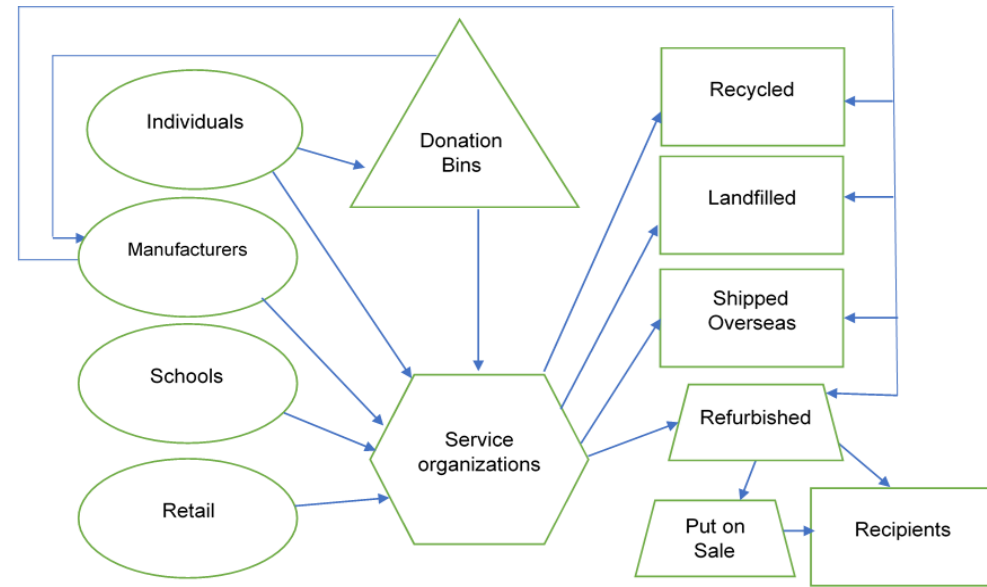
Total Furniture Donated at Goodwill = ~870,000 Tons / Yr



Integrate Source Reduction Activities: Electronics Donation

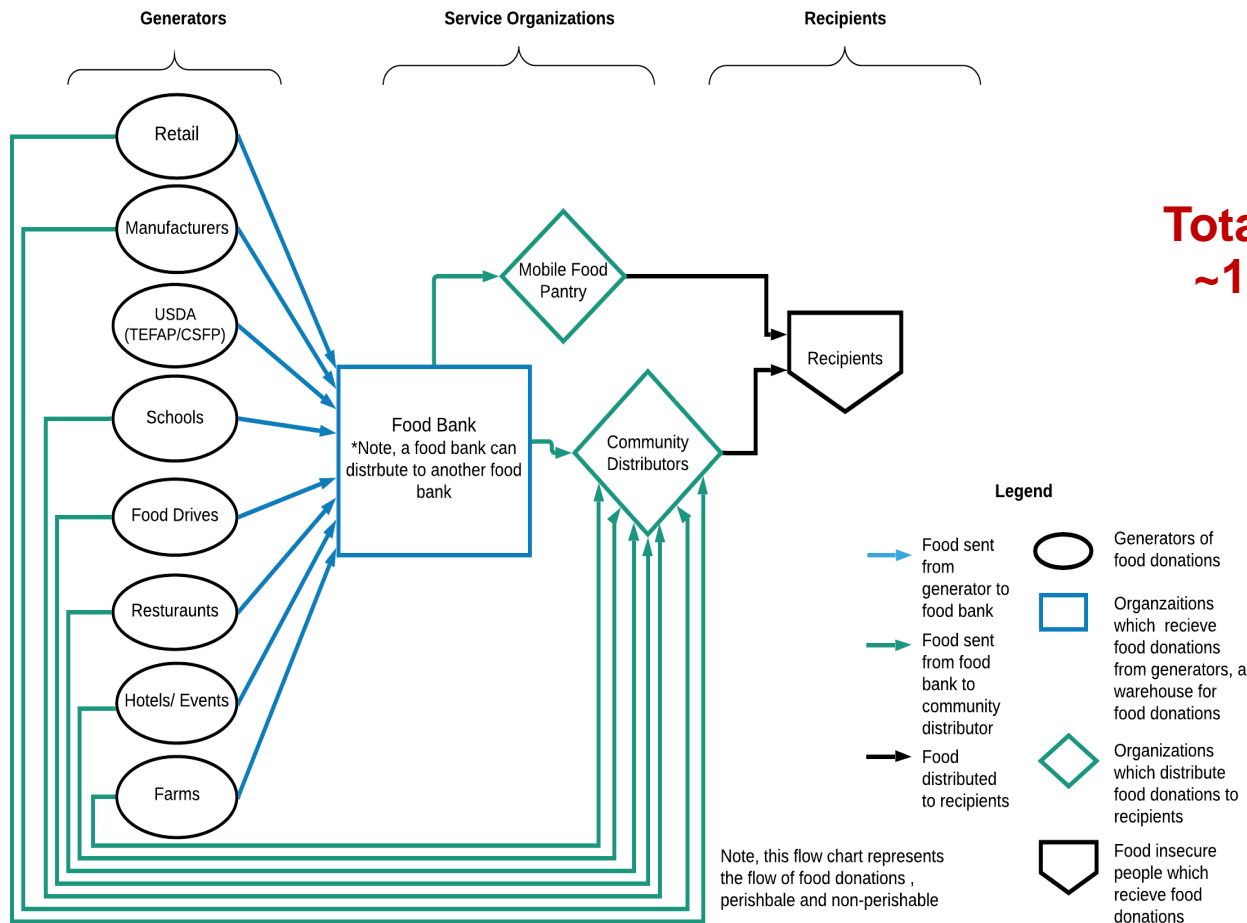
- Many manufactures recycle the donated electronics and do not refurbish for resale
- Data from Goodwill collected for Florida Total

**Total Electronics Donated at Goodwill =
~200 Tons / Yr**



Integrate Source Reduction Activities: Food Donations

- Data from mostly Feeding Florida Food Banks and Heartland Farm Gleaner



**Total Food Donated =
~149,000 Tons / Yr**

Challenges with Collecting Donation Data

- Most of this research was conducted during the COVID-19 pandemic, impact on donation flow quantities
- Many locations could not accurately quantify mass or volume of donations received
- Many service organizations contacted could not (proprietary data) provide the information needed for this research

Next Step: Develop Necessary Support Materials

- Training materials: *what should we do?*
- We will work with FDEP, local governments and the working group to test these training materials
- A series of case studies for several counties will be integrated into this exercise (currently have beta tested)
 - Open to anyone interested? *Who?*
- Work with FDEP to provide training statewide through a webinar or conference presentations. *Any other places?*

Next Step: General

- Officially release tool on UF website by June
- Publish accompanying report on UF website by June
 - Need volunteers for review, keep us in mind!

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