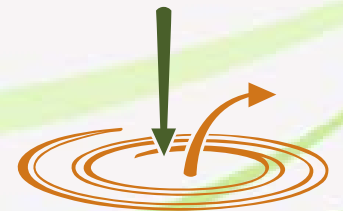




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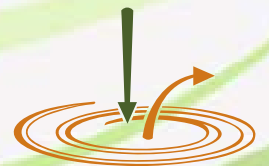


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FL Organics Recycling (1988 - 2001)



- Solid Waste Mgt. Act Passed by Legislature (1988)
- 1988 Yard Waste Landfill Ban (YWLB)
- Started as Mulching State (prior to 1988)
- FL DEP Active Permitting Staff (Francine Joyal)
- FORA – FL Organics Recycling Association (early 90s)
- RFT – Organics Committee, DOT Outreach, ELLS Events, FDACS, FL Food Prevention Week, etc.
- University Research, UF IFAS Composting Research
- FORCE Established by the Legislature in (2001)



FL Organics Recycling (2002 - 2010) *continued.*

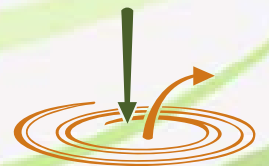


- 75% Recycling Goal set by FL Leg (2008)
- Criteria for Organics Recycling Facilities, F.A.C. Chapter 62-709 is revised and adopted (Feb 2010)
- FL LEG Repeals the YWLB (June 2010)
 - FL Governor Vetoes the Repeal (June 2010)
 - LEG Overturned the YWLB (Dec. 2010)
- Private Organics Recycling Facilities Emergence in FL (2010+) and Subsequent Shift Out/Down (2015-2017)



FL Organics Recycling (2011 - 2022) *continued...*

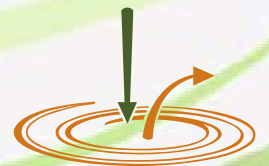
- FORCE Website Clearinghouse of Information (2011)
- EPA Shifts focus to *Food Waste* Reduction Prioritization
- DACS *Wasted Food* Reduction Prioritization
- FL DEP Active Permitting Staff (Lauren O'Connor)
- Private Organics Recycling Facilities Reemergence
- FAC 62-709, Criteria for Organics Recycling Facilities coming back up for review with new criteria





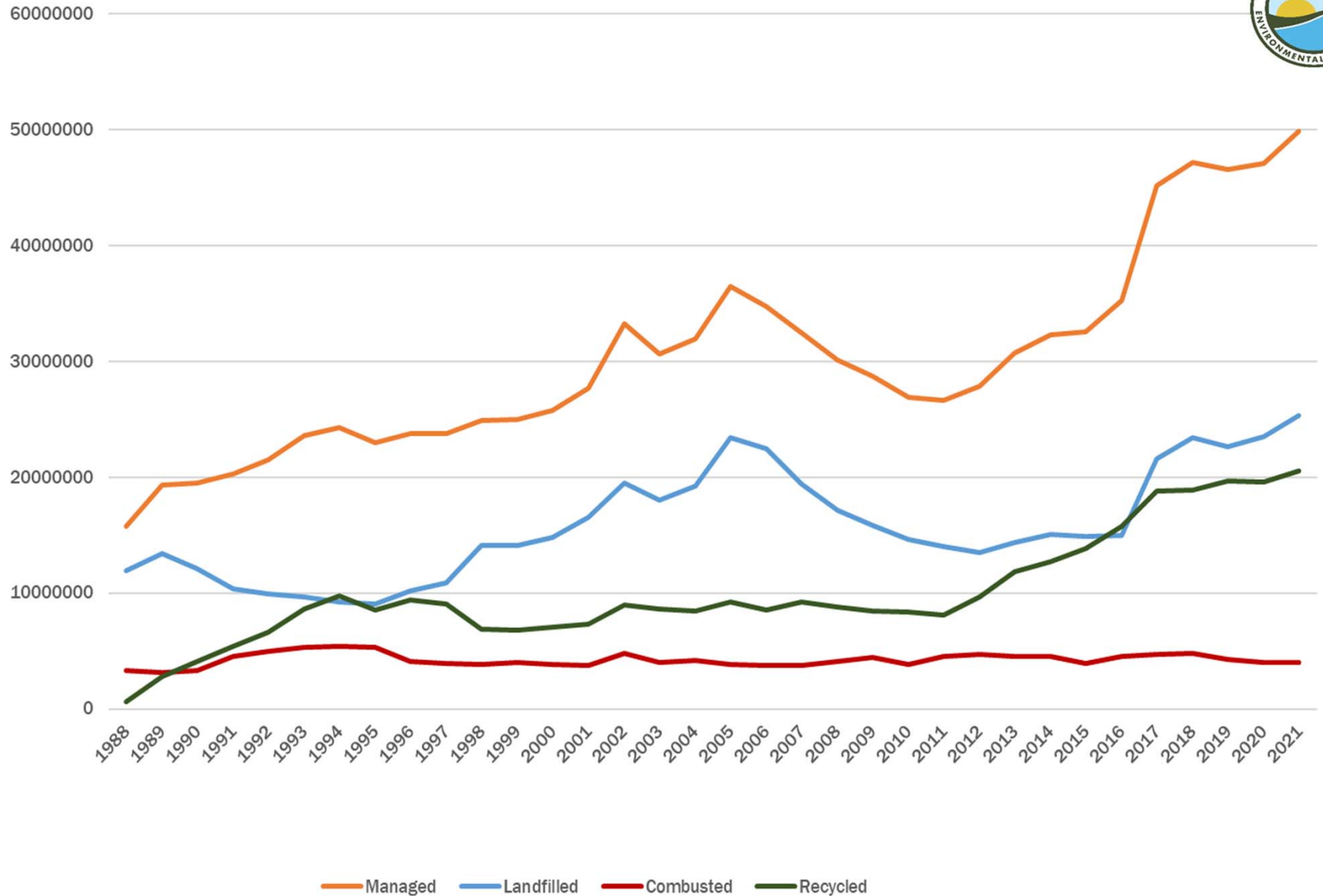
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- FORCE, the Florida Organics Recycling Center for Excellence
 - DACS, DOT, and UF IFAS Outreach
 - Research and Demonstration Projects
 - Marketing Workshops
 - Educational Material
 - Seven State Report
 - Formal Organics Committee
 - Regulatory Reform, FDEP Chapter 62-709
 - Statewide Operator Training Course in Three Parts of FL



FL Solid Waste Management (1996 – 2021)

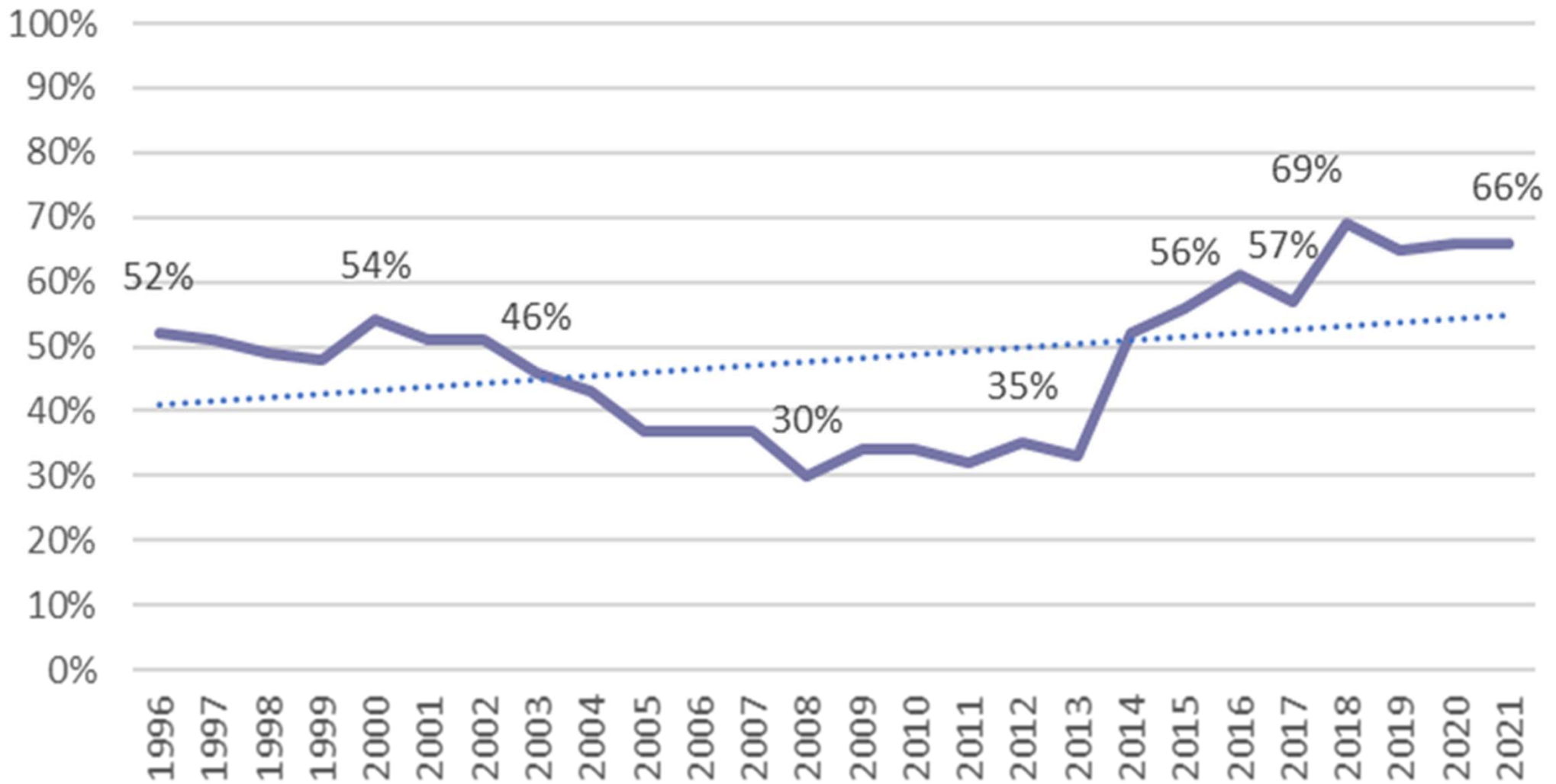
Solid Waste Management in Florida



FL Yard Waste (1996 – 2021)

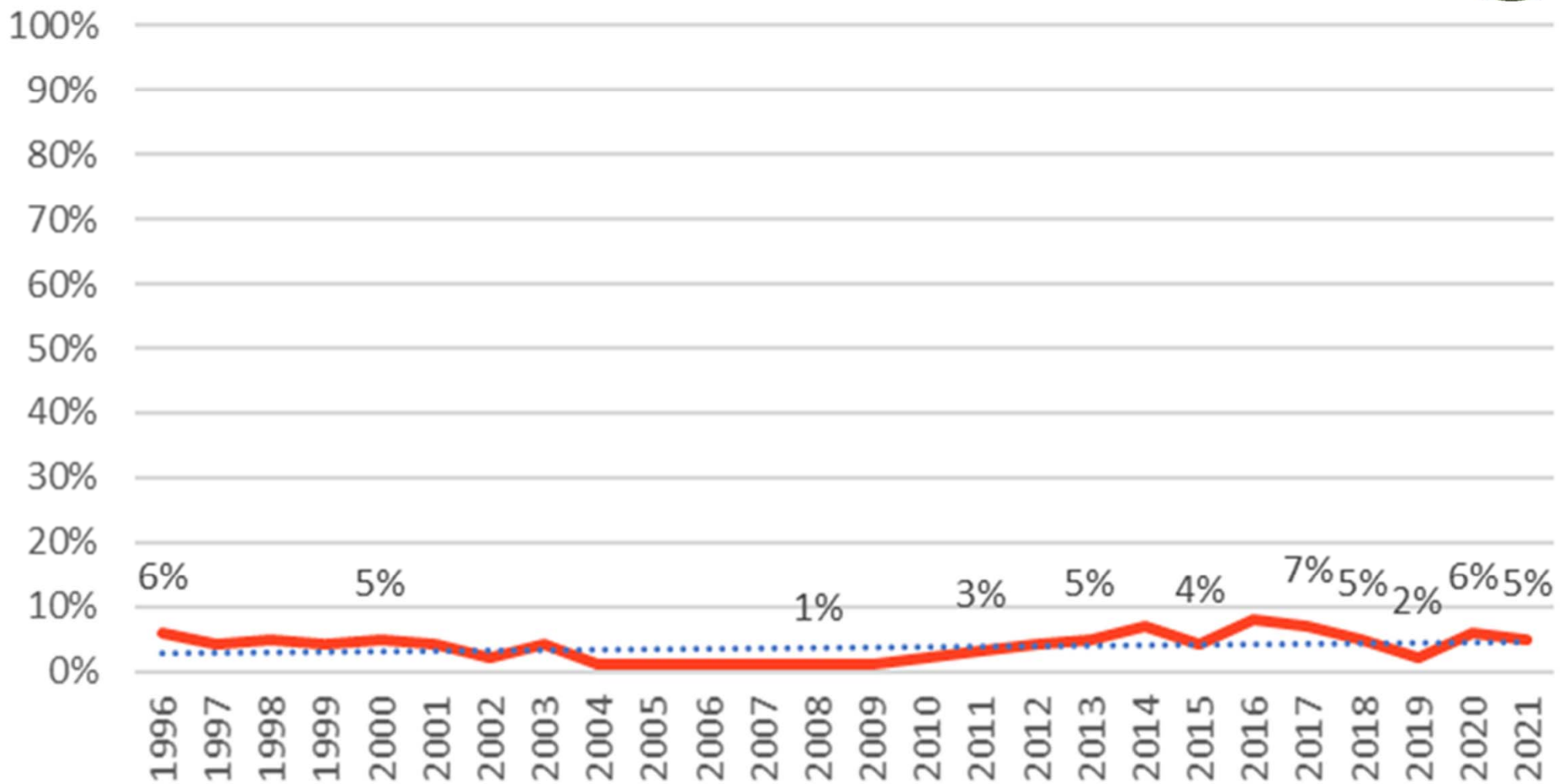


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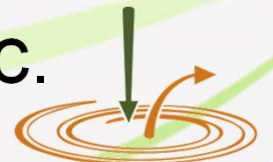
FL Food Waste (1996-2021)

Diverted Food



Next Steps for the State

- The 75% goal is a weight-based goal and 2020 has passed.
- State has received recommendations from both the private and public sector.
- What type goal will it be – weight based, materials management, waste reduction, hybrid?
- What technologies or innovative ones will be in need of feedstock.
- How will various organics feedstocks fit in?
 - Yard waste, food waste, sargassum, etc.



Florida Organics Updates

- FDEP is still in the process of revising the organics regulations (62-709).
- An internal draft has been developed.
- FDEP hopes to have a workshop by end of year.
- New regulations will have a focus on food waste and a two-tier system for registrations.
- Food waste interest is growing in the state – multiple counties are looking into feasibility of commercial organics collection and processing.
- New organics recycling companies coming into FL.

FORCE Website

www.floridaforce.org



It serves as a clearinghouse of organics recycling information since 2001 for the FDEP. Use the words “Florida Force” in your web browser to find it. We will review the header pages on the site and a few subpages.

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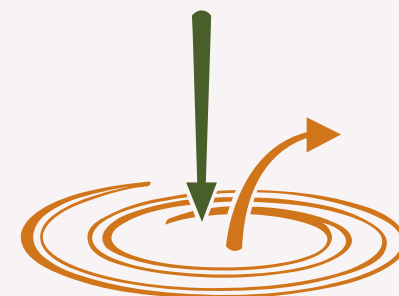
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