BIO-BASED PLASTICS 101



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THE PLASTICS PROBLEM:

AN OVERVIEW

- Currently, **98%** of the inputs used to create plastic packaging are made from virgin (non-recycled) materials.
- 90% of plastics are never recycled
- · The result: plastic increases in landfills, incinerators, and our environment

BIO-BASED PLASTICS DEFINITION:

PLASTICS DERIVED FROM RENEWABLE INPUTS



COMPOSTABLE BIO-BASED PLASTICS CAN HELP COMBAT PLASTIC POLLUTION



Less food/plastic waste to landfill



Reduced landfill methane emissions



Compost as soil amendment

COMPOSTABLE BIO-BASED PLASTICS: KEYS TO SUCCESS



Use where it makes sense: bringing food waste to composters



Develop composting infrastructure: expand commercial scale compost facilities in the U.S.



PART OF THE SOLUTION



Versatile End-of-Life Options



Clear labeling: help users and processors understand if material should be composted or recycled





Reduce Fossil Fuel Consumption





Boost to U.S. Bioeconomy