Florida Organics Recycling Center for Excellence (FORCE)

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Florida & Yard Waste (Historical Overview)

• 1988 Yard Waste Landfill Ban
• Started As Mulching State
• FORA – FL Organics Recycling Association
• RFT – Organics Committee, DOT Outreach, ELS Events
• FL DEP – Active Permitting Staff
• University Research, UF IFAS
• FORCE
Florida & FORCE

- 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

Food Waste

- 1996: 6%
- 1997: 5%
- 1998: 5%
- 1999: 1%
- 2000: 3%
- 2001: 5%
- 2002: 1%
- 2003: 3%
- 2004: 5%
- 2005: 4%
- 2006: 7%
- 2007: 5%
- 2008: 5%
- 2009: 7%
- 2010: 5%
- 2011: 5%
- 2012: 5%
- 2013: 4%
- 2014: 4%
- 2015: 4%
- 2016: 5%
- 2017: 5%
- 2018: 5%
Florida’s Recycling Goals
403.706, Florida Statute
Results to 2017

• The statewide **overall recycling rate**, which **includes** renewable energy* recycling credits is 52% (2017)

• The statewide **traditional recycling rate**, which **excludes** renewable energy recycling credits is 42% (2017)

*Electricity produced from MSW or landfill gas
FORCE Website

It serves as a clearinghouse of organics recycling information since 2001 for the FDEP. Use the words “FloridaForce” in your web browser to find it. We will review the items in bold below now.

www.floridaforce.org

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