

Building State-Wide Capacity for Food Scrap Recycling

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Things to Think About Today

1. Where Are the Opportunities?

- To collect & process more materials?
- To increase # of businesses that process or make new products with recycled content?
- To strengthen markets locally, regionally, nationally?

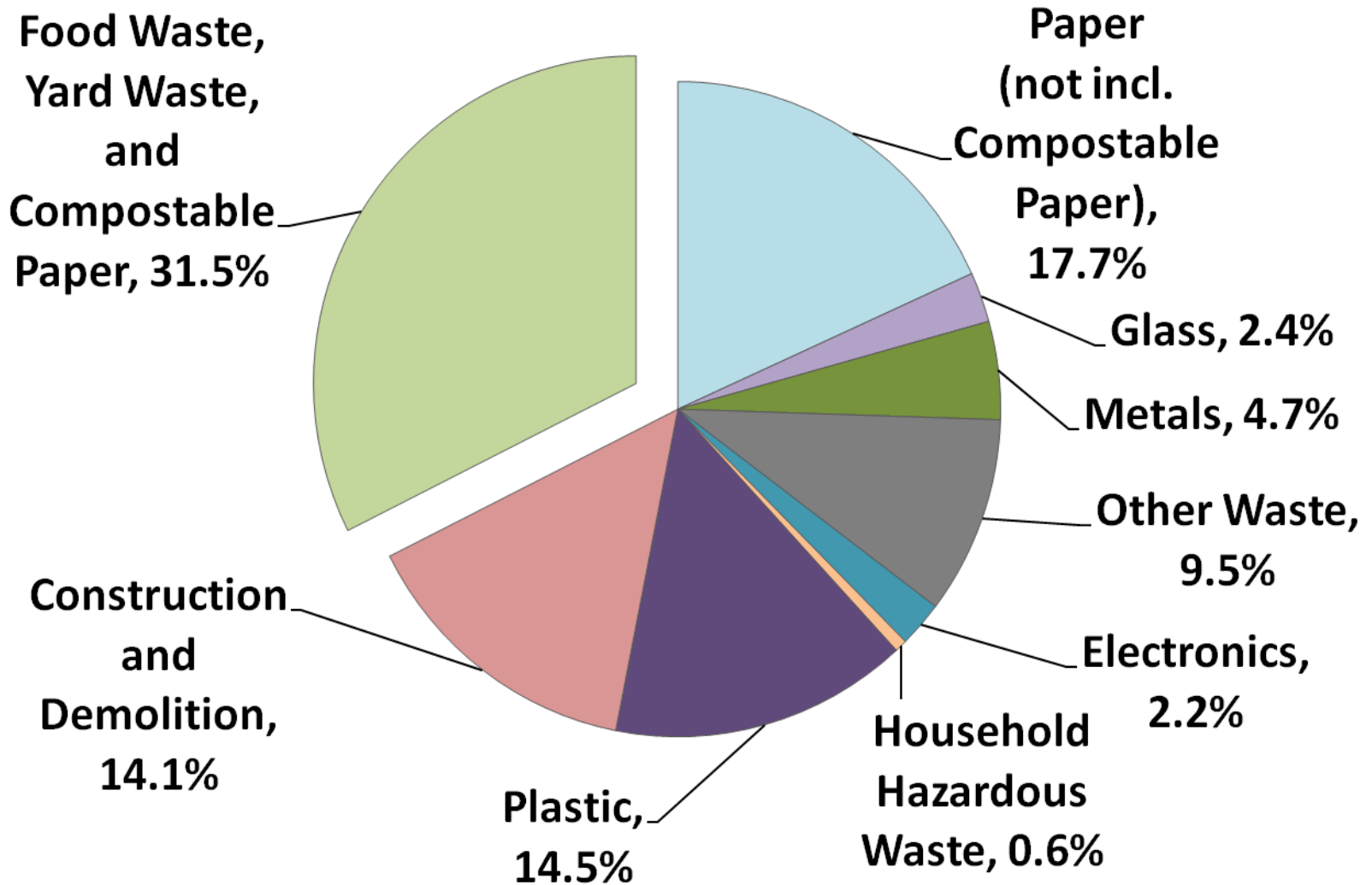
2. What Are the Challenges We Face to Take Advantage of These Opportunities?

- Should we pursue policy? What kind?
- Should we create incentives? What kind?

3. Are There Good Existing Models for Policy & Program Development or Incentives?



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Compostable Materials By Weight Overall Statewide Disposed

Source: CT Statewide Solid Waste Composition and
Characterization Study Final Report 2009 – Table 6

Material	Est. Percent	Est. Tons
Food Waste	13.5%	321,481
Compostable Paper	8.2%	195,185
Leaves & Grass	7.2%	172,408
Prunings & Trimmings	2.2%	51,550
Branches & Stumps	0.4%	10,149
Total	31.5%	750,773

Food Residuals in Connecticut



Compost Sites

Food residual generation (tons / year):

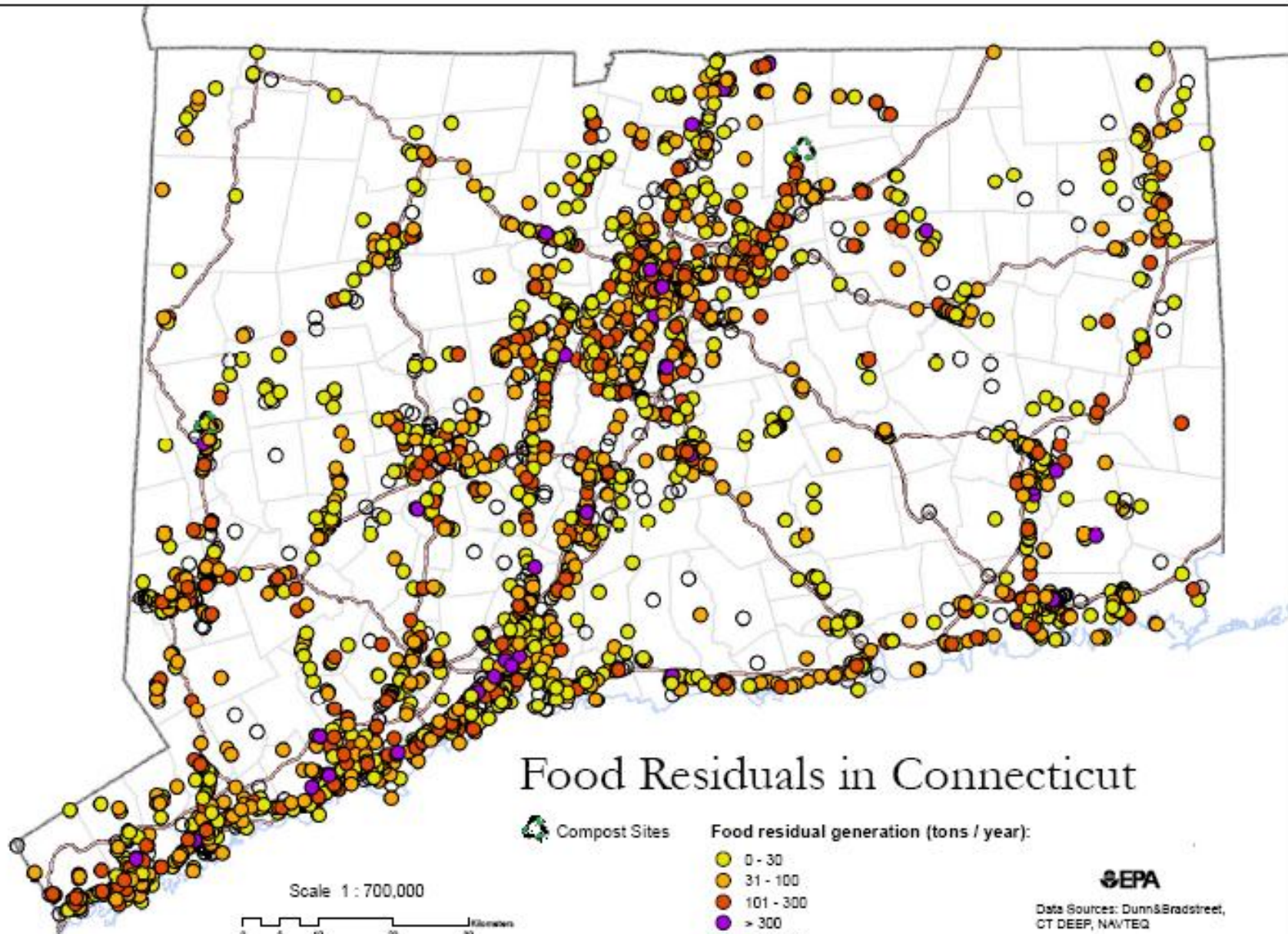
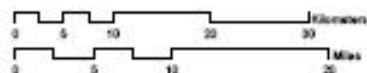
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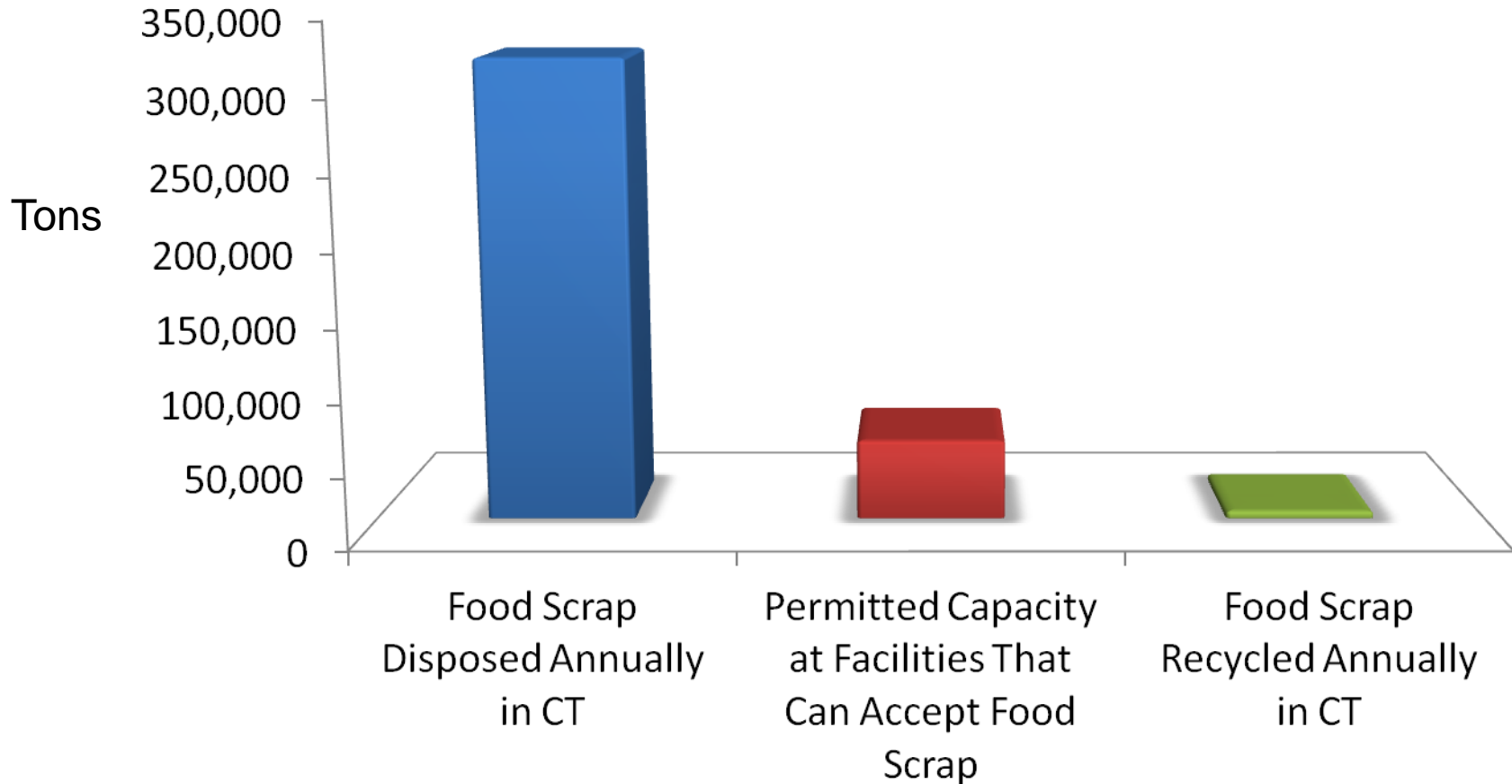
Data Sources: Dunn&Bradstreet,
CT DEEP, NAVTEQ

Map by US EPA Region 1 GIS Center
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Scale 1 : 700,000



CT's Food Scrap Recycling Infrastructure Gap: Value to be Unlocked



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