

### Today's Presenter

I am passionate about working with communities now to advance a sustainable future for waste prevention, reuse and recycling.

We have an urgent need to implement regenerative, circular solutions for ourselves and future generations.





Emerging Research & Technology: Town of Tusten, NY - Operational HORSE



GBB + NYS/NYC Regulations

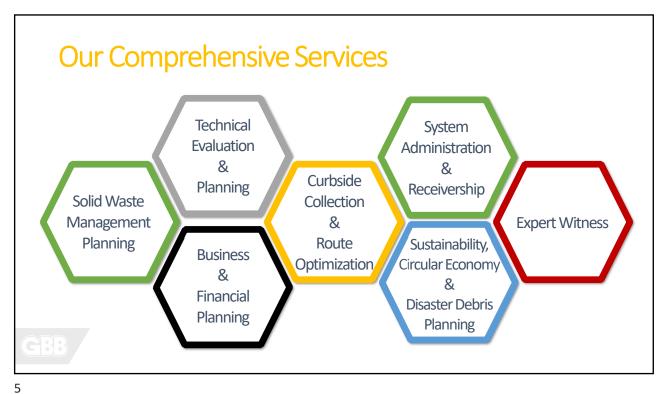
Case Studies of Tusten, NY HORSE

Questions & Answers

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# NYS Food Donation and Food Scraps Recycling Law

- Effective January 2022
- Businesses generating 104+ tons of food waste per year, must donate excess edible food, and recycle all remaining food scraps.
- In NYS, **food** makes up **18% of all waste** (3.9 million tons in landfills each year.)
- Law applies to large generators of food scraps such as restaurants, grocery stores, hotels & motels, colleges & universities, shopping malls and event centers in NYS, that are located within 25 miles of an organic recycler.
- Law does not apply to NYC, as it has commercial organics laws in place since 2012.



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## NYC Commercial Organics Requirements

- As of July 31, 2020: WARNING PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THESE BUSINESSES — NO FINES ISSUED UNTIL JULY 31, 2022
- Food Service Establishments
  - With 7,000 to 14,999 square feet
  - Chain of 2 to 99 NYC locations with combined area 8,000+ square feet
  - · In hotels having 100 to 149 guest rooms
  - With combined floor area 8,000+ square feet in same location
- Retail Food Stores
  - With 10,000 to 24,999 square feet
  - Chain of 3+ NYC locations with combined area 10,000+ square feet
- Food Preparation Locations
- With 6,000+ square feet
- Catering Establishments
  - Hosting on-site events to be attended by 100+ people
- Temporary Public Events
  - 500+ people

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#### Town of Tusten Energy Committee

Includes Narrowsburg: Unique hamlet along the Upper Delaware River in the Sullivan County Catskills

- The TEC appointed in 2011 to make sustainable changes to the beautiful Town of Tusten.
  - Certified the 19th town in NYS a Climate Smart Community
- Stood behind Town of Tusten law banning fracking
- · Energy audits
- "TUSTEN RECYCLES" canvas bags
- Public space recycling stickers
- LED Streetlights
- Trex soft plastic collection more than one ton collected = 6 benches!
- Tusten HORSE



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#### Town of Tusten, NY

HORSE Microdigester, Model AD25 + Food Rescue Program

Funded by 2018 DEC Municipal Food Scraps Reduction, Food Donation and Food Scraps Recycling Programs

HORSE: High Solids Organic waste Recycling System with Electrical output

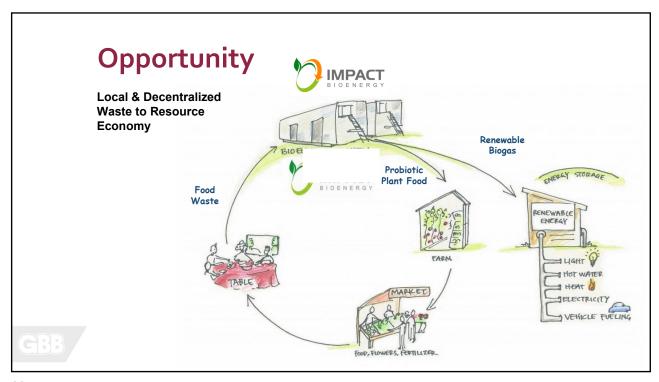
Reviewed Options with CET

- Objectives
  - Increase food rescue and food donation for the food insecure
  - Install HORSE Microdigester, Model AD25
  - Increase food waste diversion from businesses and residents
  - Train the Tusten Energy Committee for Year 2 + project maintenance





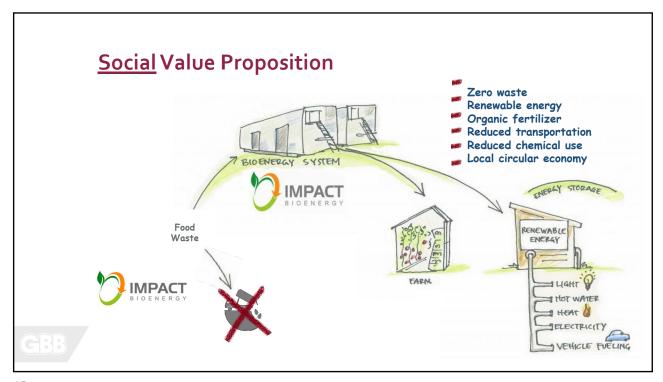


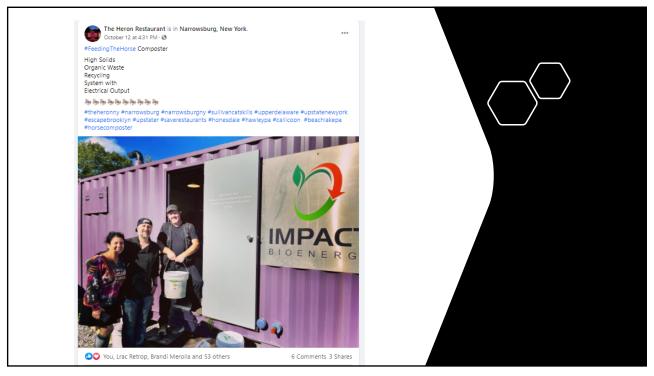






**Economic** Value Proposition Save or sell tipping fees Save or sell energy Save or sell HOENERLY SYSTEM probiotic plant food ENERLY STORAGE IMPACT Food RENEWABLE Waste = LIGHT & **IMPACT** HOT WATER # HEAT SELECTRICITY VEHICLE PUELING





#### **Steps Ahead**





- 1. Operational planning
- 2. Probiotic plant food marketing (NOFA-NY)



• Community Driven Bioenergy, Biofertilizer, and Biocarbon with Blockchain









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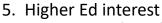
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### **Steps Ahead - Continued**



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- RIT case study underway
- SUNY Sullivan possibilities



- Jurisdiction visits
- 4-H clubs
- Regional/global conferences





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