

# Agenda

- I. Problem & Need
- II. Existing Legislation
- III. Current Efforts
- IV. Next Steps

## Why is this a Problem?

- Over 500 million straws every day
- Microplastics are a problem for marine life
- Plastics are found in sea salt, U.S. tap water, and shellfish





### Existing Legislation - State Law

- Assembly Bill 1884 (Calderon)
  - Prohibits full service restaurant from providing single use plastic straws <u>unless</u> requested
  - ▶ Violations
  - **E**nforcement

#### **Existing SSF Ordinance**

- SSFMC 8.60.10 Green Food Packaging
  - Prohibits any food vendor from packaging food in polystyrene
  - Disposable food service ware must be biodegradable, compostable, reusable or recyclable food service ware.
  - ► All city facilities will use biodegradable, compostable, reusable, or recyclable food service ware
  - Exemptions
  - ▶ Violations

#### Model Ordinance - City of Malibu

- City of Malibu MMC 9.24.045
  - ►Effective June 1, 2018
  - Bans straws, plastic stirrers, plastic cutlery (including bioplastics)
  - Alternatives encouraged
  - Non-plastic alternatives only by request
  - Distribution at any city facility or city sponsored event is prohibited



AARDVARK
Paper straws
Aardvarkstraws.com



STRAW FREE Bamboo Strawfree.org



SIMPLY STRAWS Glass SimplyStraws.co

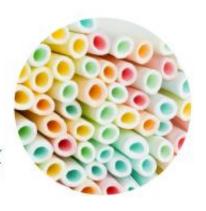


STEELYS DRINKWARE Stainless Steel SteelysDrinkware.com



BY LOLIWARE Seaweed

Kickstarter.com/ projects/1530128773/ lolistraw-by-loliware



SORBOS Sugar WeareSorbos.com



AAYU Birchwood AayuWorld.com



NATURAL TABLEWARE Aspen Wood NaturalTableware.com



BAMBU Bamboo BambuHome.com



LEAFWARE Birchwood Leafware.com



BY VERI FOOD

Wheat bran and corn starch or sugarcane <u>VerifoodUS.com</u>



BAKEY'S EDIBLE CUTLERY Flours of jowar (sorghum), rice, and wheat Bakeys.com



NATURAL TABLEWARE
Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) Certified Wood
NautralTableware.com

#### Local Efforts - City of Pacifica

- ► Effective November 13, 2018
- Only city in San Mateo County to ban disposable foodservice ware
- ► All that rent or use City of Pacifica facilities are prohibited from using plastic straws, plastic stirrers, or plastic cutlery
- ► Phased-in approach "undue hardship"
- Complaint basis enforcement

#### County-led Efforts

- ► SMC Office of Sustainability developing a Disposable Food Service Ware Ordinance
- Serve as model for local governments
- Draft to Board of Supervisors by late Spring or Summer 2019

- **Events** 
  - NextGen Foodware Ordinance December 2018
  - Rethink Disposable Program with Clean Water Fund

# Next Steps

- Status Quo
- ▶ Wait & See
- Ordinance

**Recommendation:** Council provide direction on guidelines for a draft ordinance.



### Ordinance Guidance

- Full Service and Fast Food
- ►Only plastic straws?
- **E**nforcement
- **▶**Timeframe

#### Thank you!

Questions?

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