

# Plenary #1

# Exploring the Climate / Zero Waste Connection

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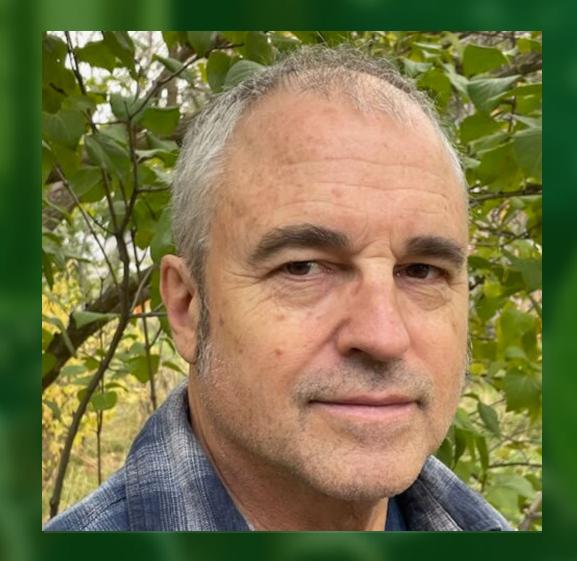




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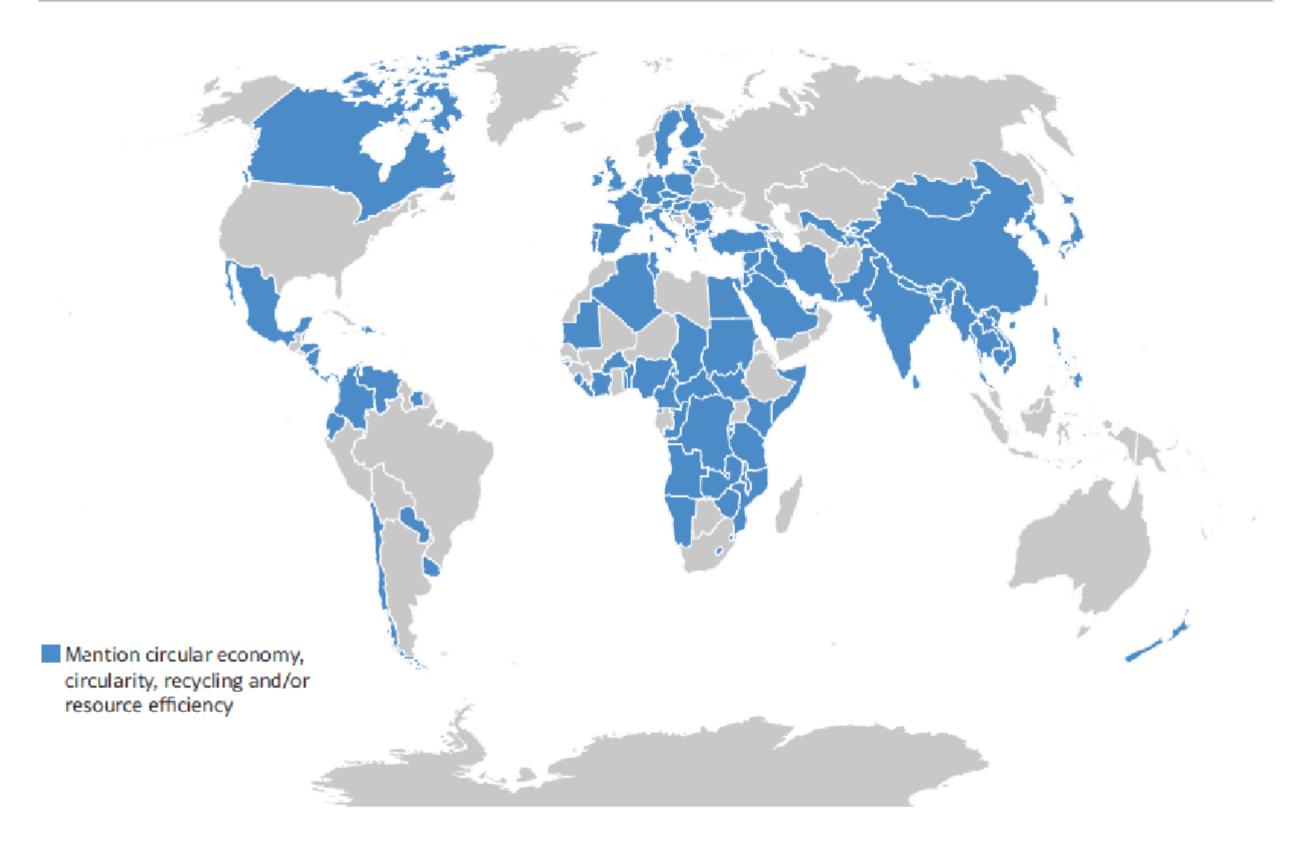


# NDC CONTENT

NDC = Nationally
Determined Contribution

Wang, K., M. Costanza van den Belt, G. Heath, J. Walzberg, T. Curtis, J. Barrie, P. Schroder, L. Lazer, and J. C. Altamirano. 2022. "Circular economy as a climate strategy: current knowledge and calls-to-action." Working Paper. Washington, DC: World Resources Institute.

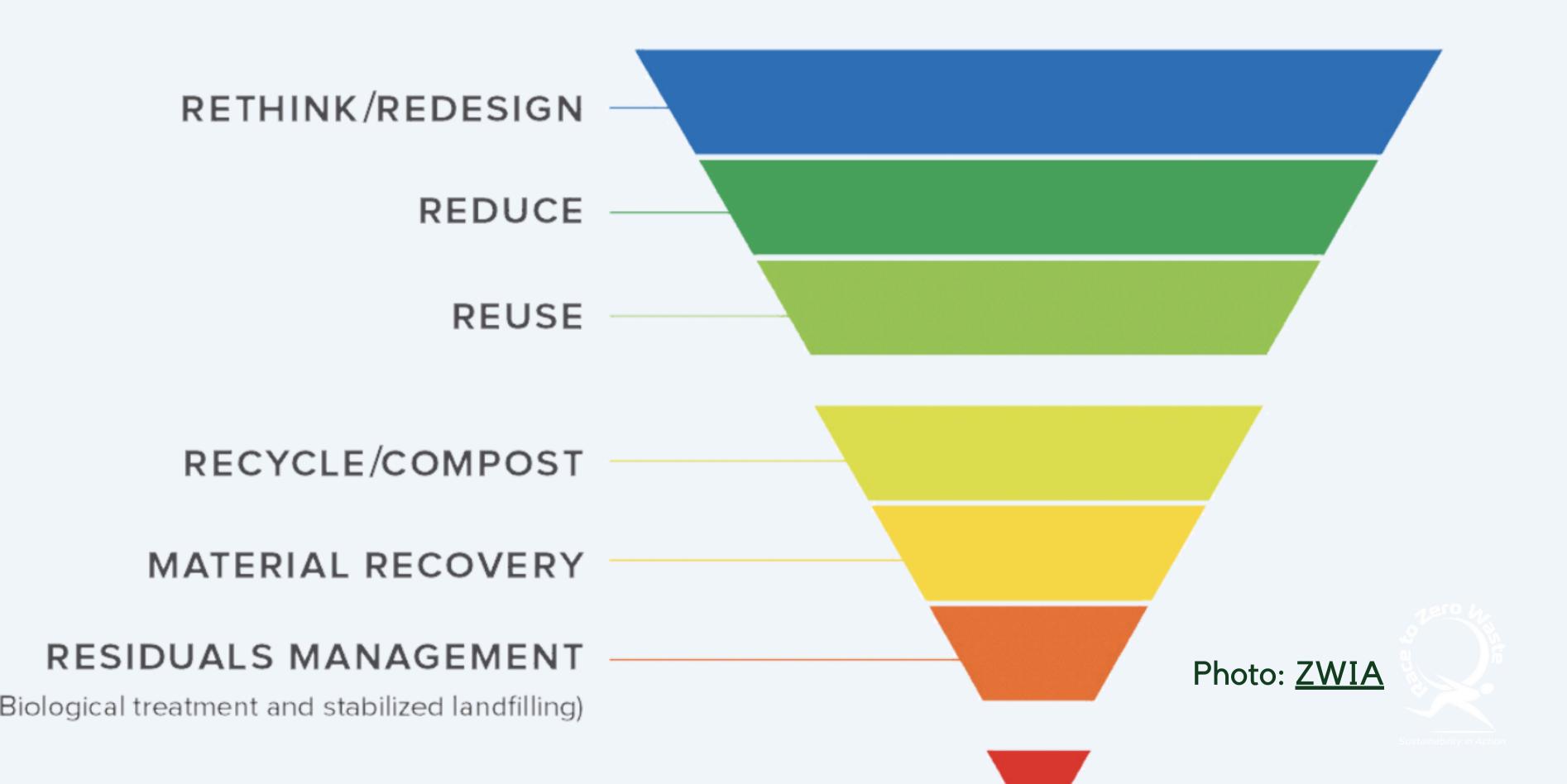
Figure 5 | COP parties with circular or equivalent strategies mentioned in NDCs based on 2022 data



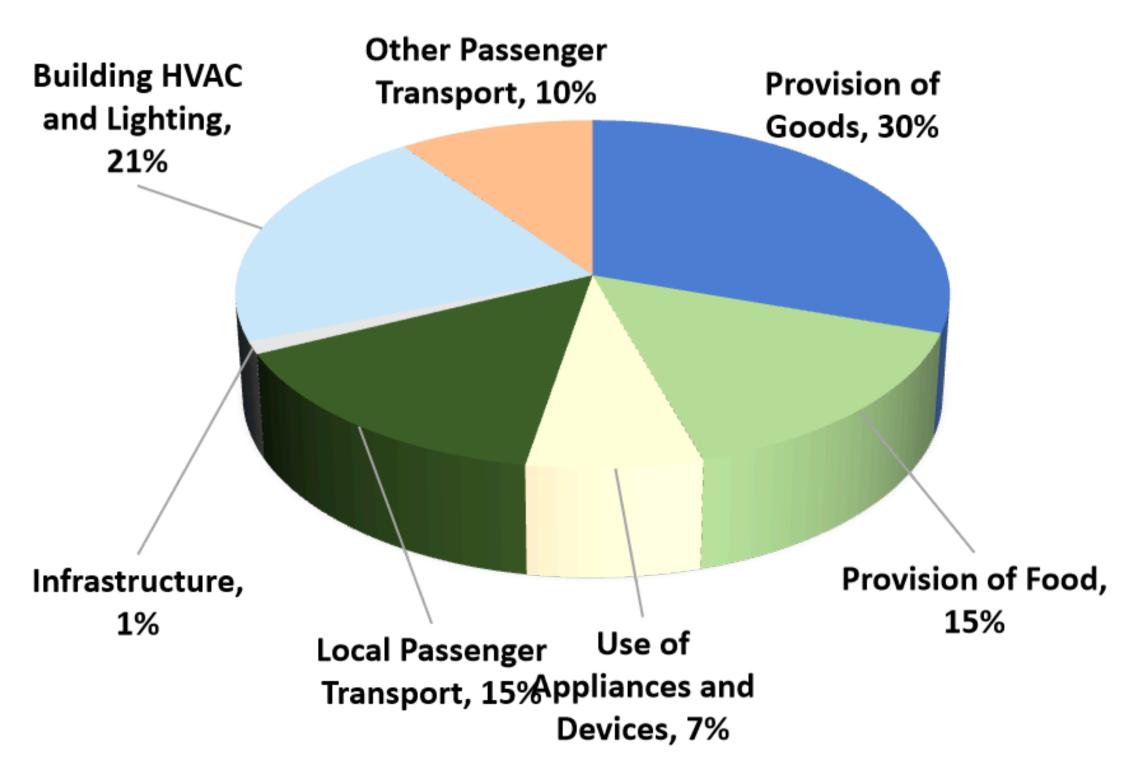
Source: This map was made using the key word search functionality on WRI's Climate Watch. Keywords used: circular, recycling, resource efficient, and resource efficiency. Each mention of 'circular' was checked manually and only those that referenced a circular economy were included. Each mention was also scanned to determine whether systemic, upstream circular economy strategies are included. The NDCs that have not yet been added to Climate Watch were searched manually using the same methodology as above.

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## U.S. GREENHOUSE GAS (GHG) EMISSIONS: SYSTEMS BASED VIEW - 2021



#### Scope 1, 2, and 3 explained

Direct emissions Indirect emissions

	Scope 1	Scope 2	Scope 3
Phase of production cycle	During production	Upstream	Both upstream and downstream
Activities	Scope 1 emissions are released when a company manufactures a product or delivers a service.	Scope 2 emissions are released by off-site energy providers when a company makes a purchase.	Upstream, they are released from the activities that a company engages in prior to production, from employee commuting to leased assets to transportation and distribution. Downstream, Scope 3 emissions are released from use or disposal of a product or service.

Source: McKinsey & Company 2024 article, "What are Scope 1, 2, and 3 emissions?"

