

Balcones Background

"We started as paper recyclers, but we've transformed into a full service environmental company that works with our customers to reach zero waste goals, streamline waste, educate employees, achieve LEED certification, or simply take the first step towards a new recycling program." – Kerry Getter, CEO



Challenges Posed by Contamination

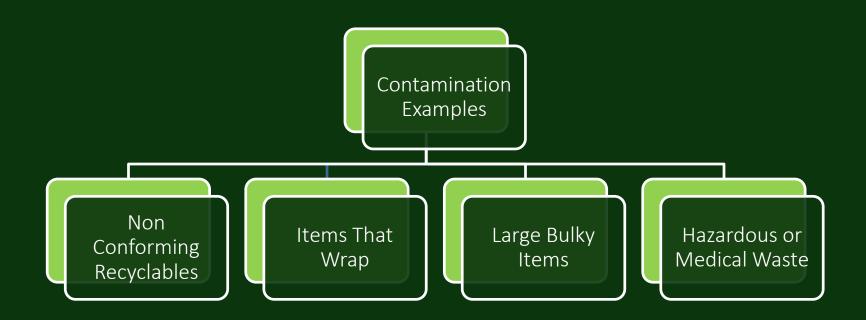
Increased processing and maintenance costs associated with removing contaminants from equipment and sorted material streams.

Increased disposal costs.

Potential to expose our employees to hazards.



Types of Contamination in a MRF

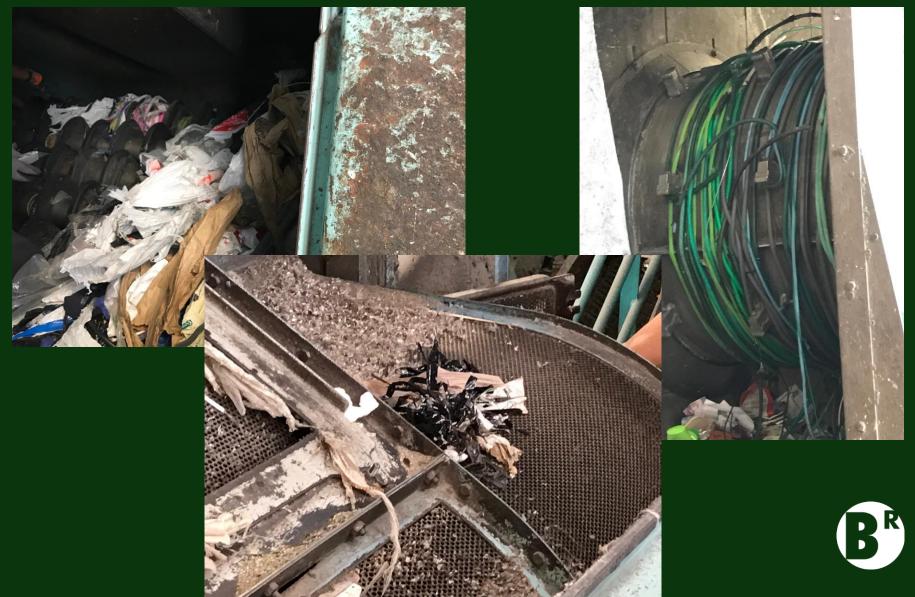




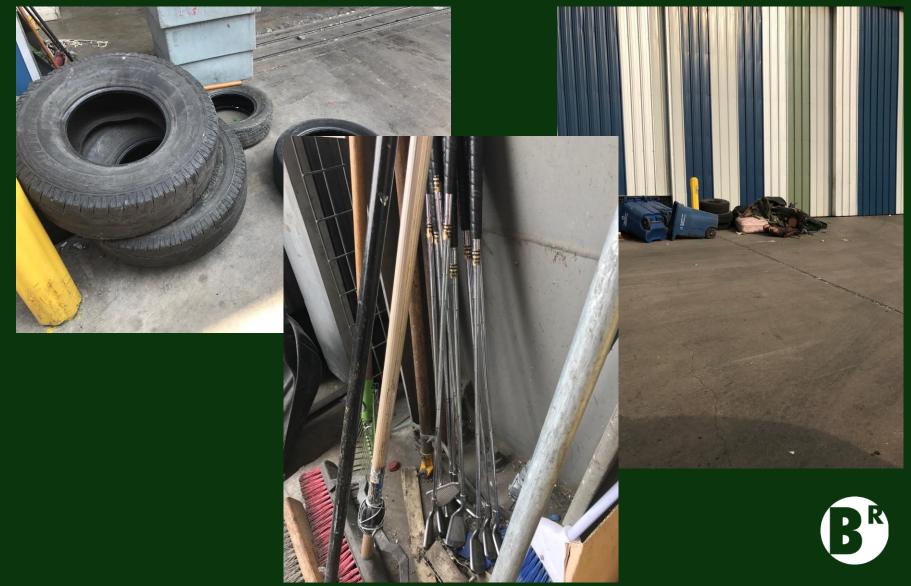
Non Conforming Recyclables



Items that Wrap



Large Bulky Items



Hazardous or Medical Waste



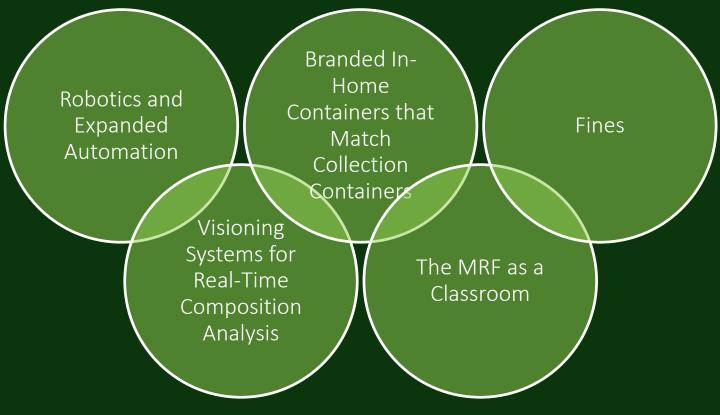
Layered Controls

4 Lines of Defense to Manage Contamination

- Aggressive Inbound Auditing
 Photo Evidence and Chargebacks
- Tiered Supervisors Along all Sorting Points
- Ongoing Finished Material Assessment
- Ongoing Residual Stream Audits



Look to the Future: Technologies and Best Practices to Improve Handling Contamination





Questions?

