

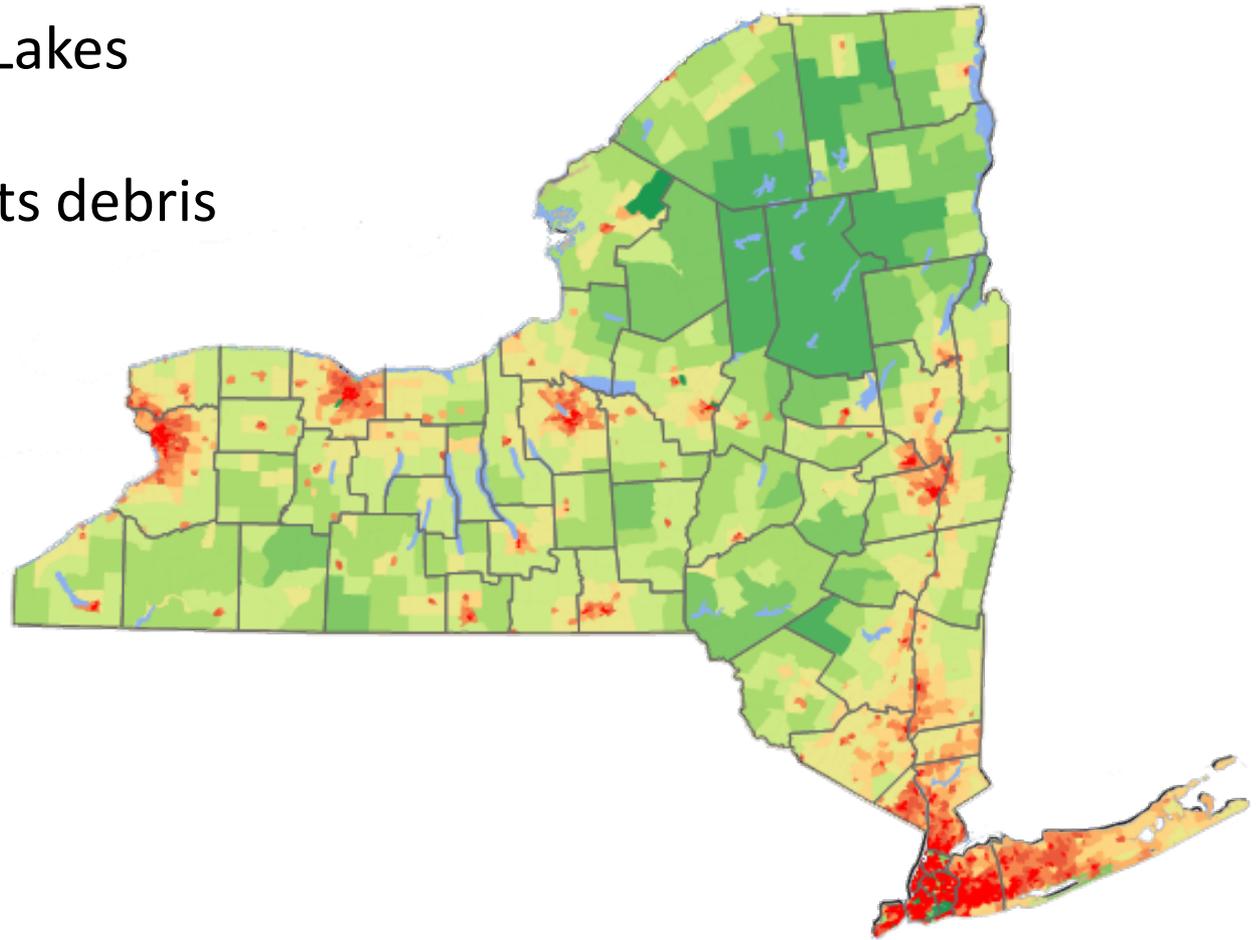
Efforts in New York to Reduce Contributions to Marine Debris



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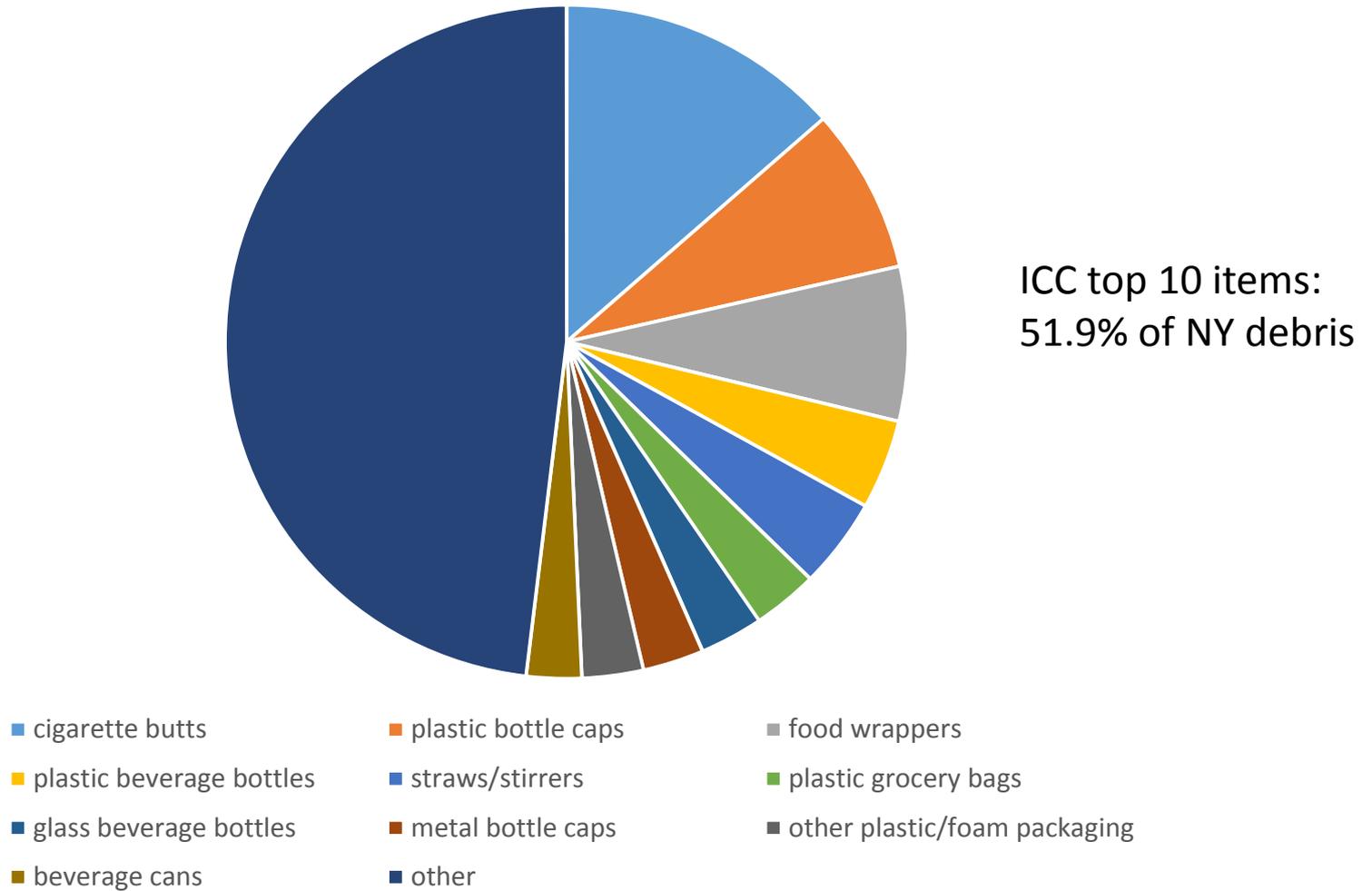
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- Ocean & Great Lakes
- NYC area impacts debris
- Sandy





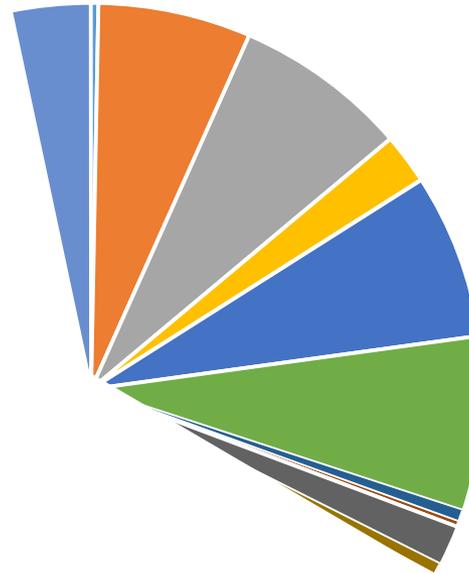
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(2018 data from the International Coastal Cleanup)



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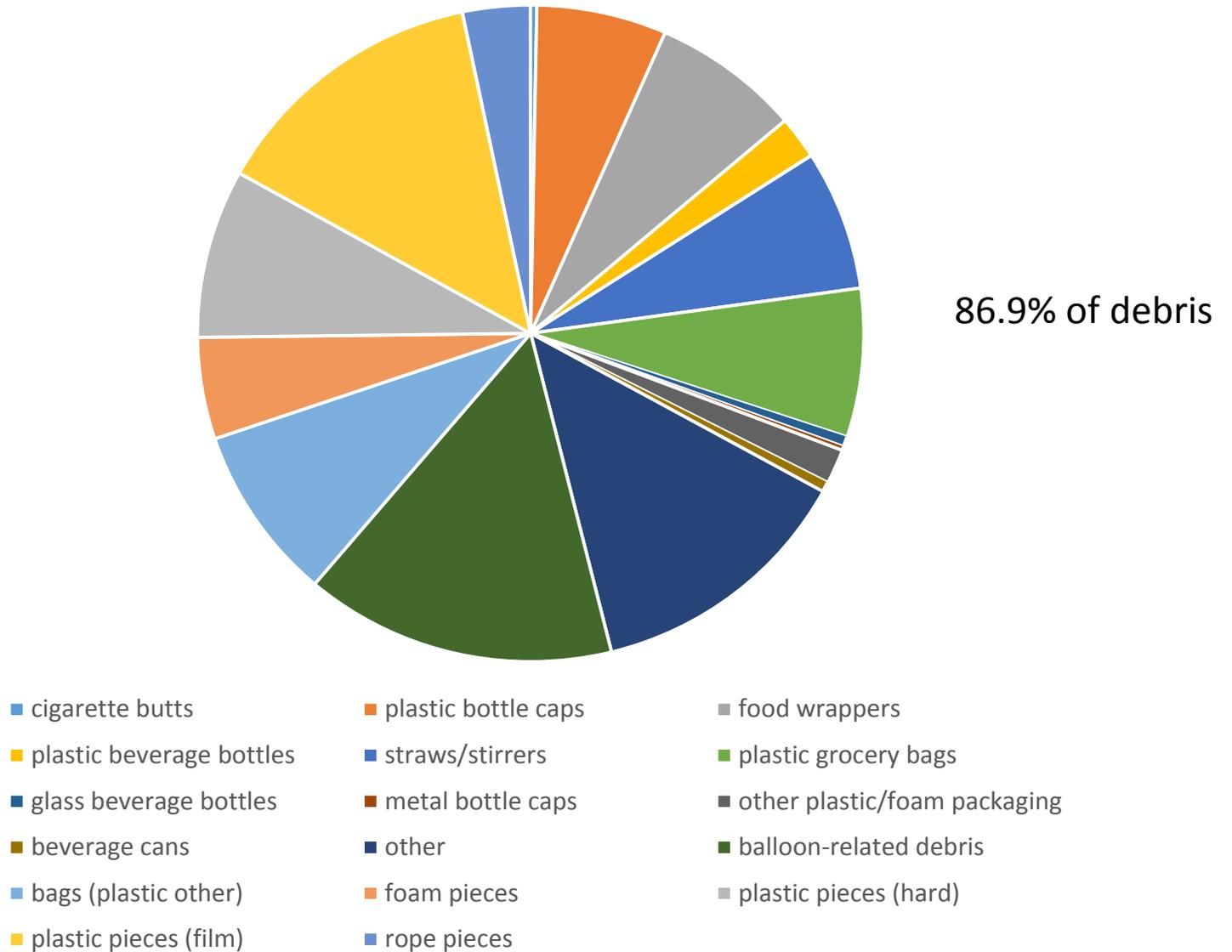
ICC top 10 items:
33% of debris

- cigarette butts
- plastic bottle caps
- food wrappers
- plastic beverage bottles
- straws/stirrers
- plastic grocery bags
- glass beverage bottles
- metal bottle caps
- other plastic/foam packaging
- beverage cans

(data from a Nov 2018 cleanup of Jones Beach)



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Efforts Underway: Removal

Cleanup efforts by many groups



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Promoting Marine Conservation Through Action



NYC Parks



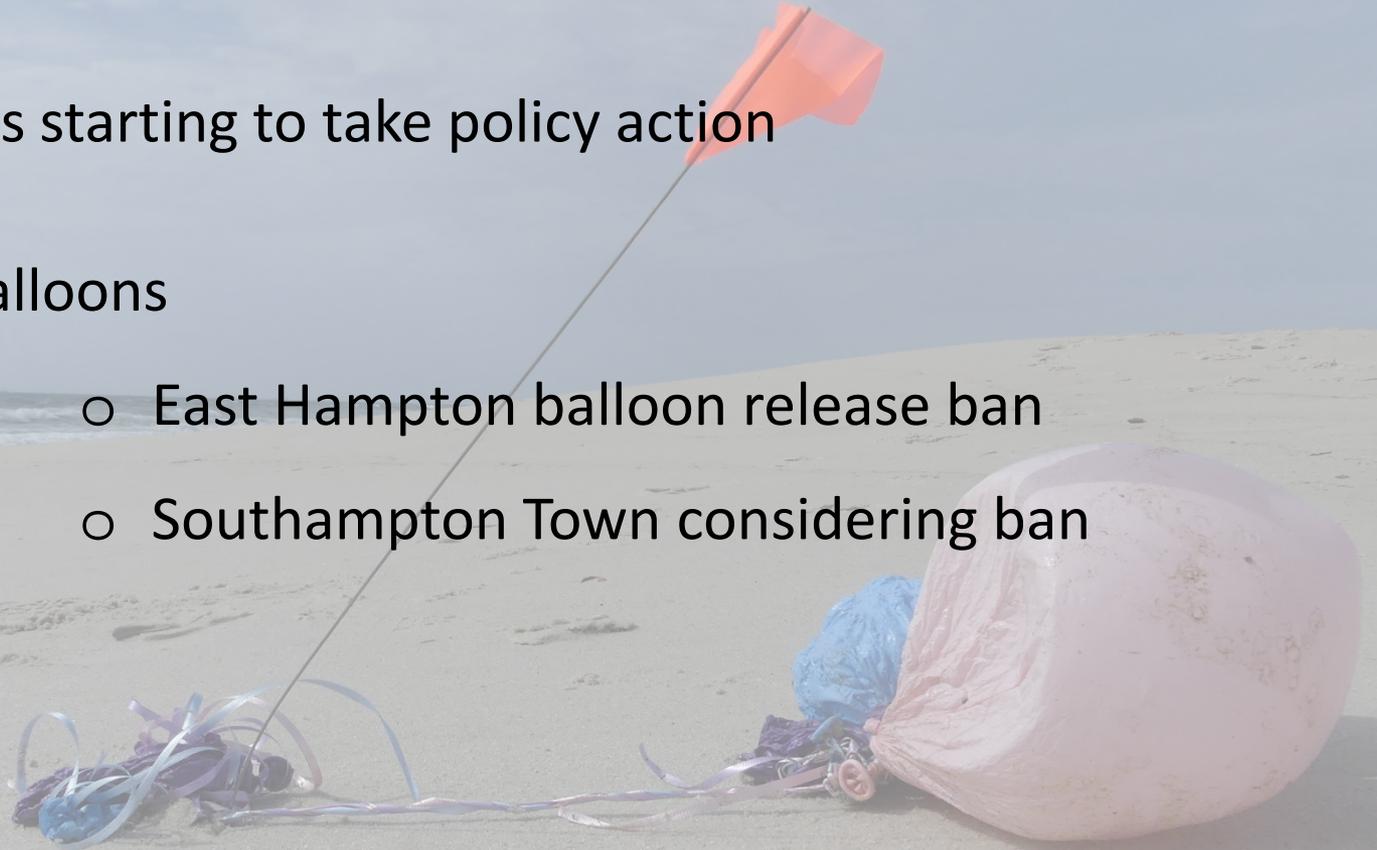
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Efforts Underway: Prevention

Municipalities starting to take policy action

- Balloons
 - East Hampton balloon release ban
 - Southampton Town considering ban



A background image of a magnolia tree with white flowers. A single-use plastic bag is hanging from one of the branches, symbolizing environmental pollution. In the top left corner, there is a small orange speech bubble icon.

Efforts Underway: Prevention

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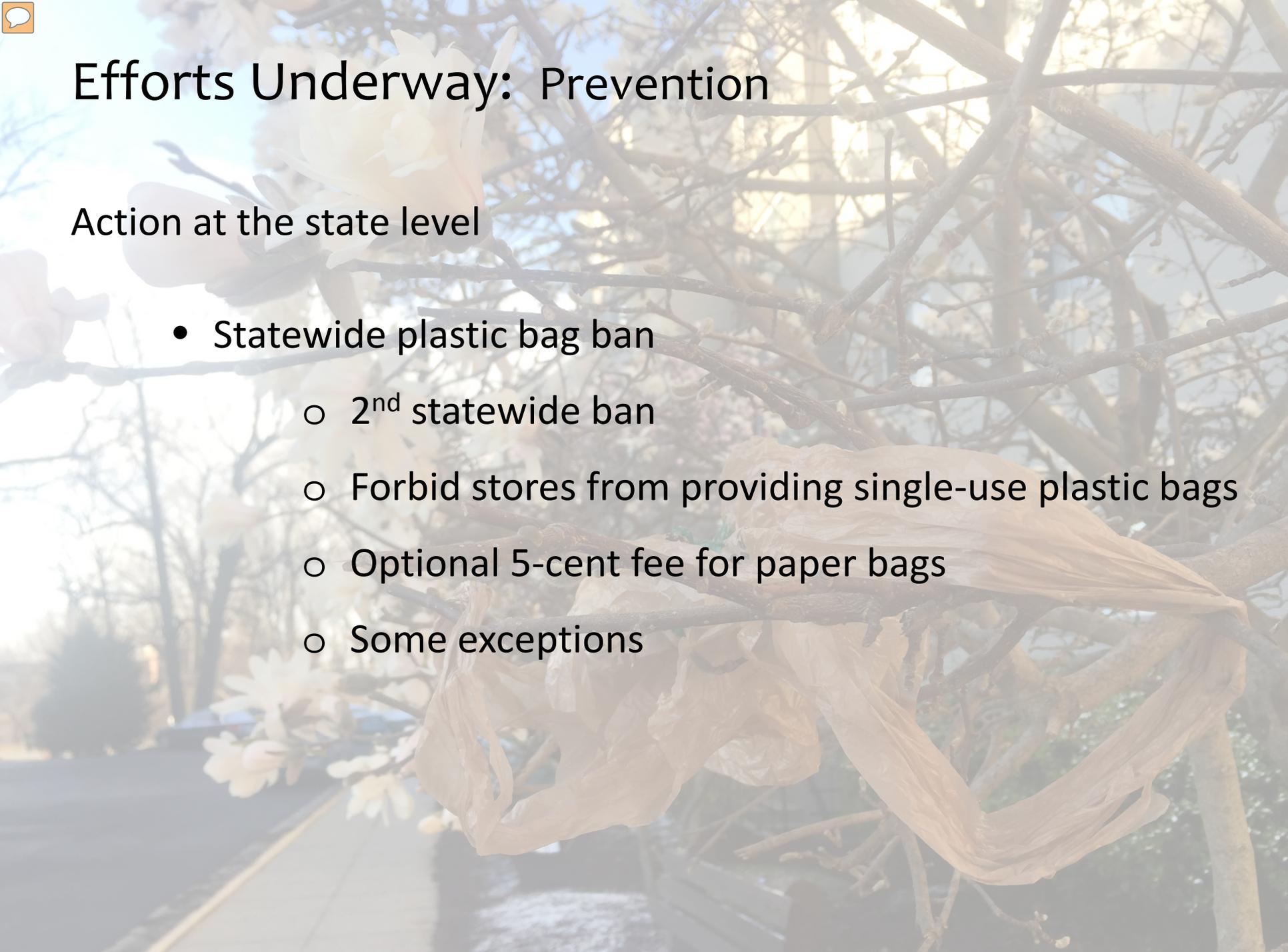
- NYC
 - Straws
 - Foam
 - Single-use plastic foodware

Efforts Underway: Prevention

Municipalities starting to take policy action

- Plastic bags
 - Long Beach plastic bag fee
 - Suffolk County plastic bag fee



A background image of a magnolia tree with white flowers. A single-use plastic bag is hanging from one of the branches, partially obscuring the text. The scene is outdoors, likely in a park or residential area, with a sidewalk and a road visible in the lower part of the frame.

Efforts Underway: Prevention

Action at the state level

- Statewide plastic bag ban
 - 2nd statewide ban
 - Forbid stores from providing single-use plastic bags
 - Optional 5-cent fee for paper bags
 - Some exceptions

Efforts Underway: Prevention

Continued outreach efforts





Thank You

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