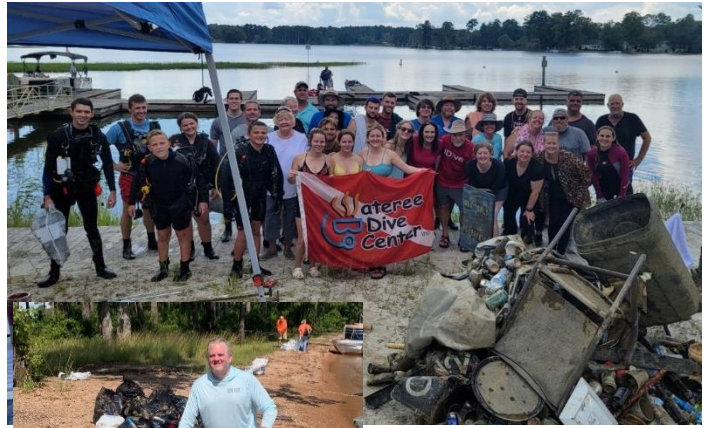




# 2021 Inland Sweep Annual Report



Lake Murray



Congaree River



Jeffries Creek



Saluda River



Reedy River



## 2021 Beach Sweep/River Sweep - Inland Annual Report

South Carolina's 32nd annual Beach Sweep/River Sweep litter/trash cleanup for inland portions of the state included 28 sites registered by 24 site captains for cleanups in 13 counties. Most of the cleanups occurred on September 18, 2021, and all occurred within a few weeks of this date.

Results/data from the cleanups were requested from all the site captains; however, there was only partial response with data being reported by 19 site captains; a response rate of 79%. Data from the cleanup are presented below.

Note, the numbers presented below do not include the Coastal Sweep sites and volunteers coordinated by the S.C. Sea Grant Consortium. For those numbers contact Sea Grant's Coastal Coordinator, Susan Ferris Hill, by telephone (843-953-2078) or [www.scseagrant.org](http://www.scseagrant.org).

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Information presented in this report includes Quick Facts, Reported Information by County, Items Collected, and Organizations Participating in the Inland Sweep.

The cover photos are selected from photos taken and shared by volunteers with the 2021 Sweep.

### 2021 Quick Facts

<u>Volunteers of inland BSRS</u>	<u>702 volunteers reported</u>
<u>Sites cleaned with inland BSRS</u>	<u>28 cleanup sites registered 23 cleanup sites reported</u>
<u>Estimated pounds of litter and debris removed from South Carolina waterways, inland BSRS</u>	<u>11,230 pounds reported</u>
<u>Miles cleaned with inland BSRS</u>	<u>53 miles reported</u>



## 2021 Reported Information by County

Information presented below lists all inland sites registered by site captains and cleanup data reported by site captains after the Inland Sweep event. Cumulative figures presented as totals represent reported volunteer participation, litter collected, and miles covered.

County	Location	People	Pounds	Miles	Bags
Aiken	Savannah River, North Augusta Greenway	93	1500	5	27
Cherokee	Broad River, 99-Islands Dam				
Cherokee	Lake Thicketty Boat Landing	4	175	0.25	28
Clarendon	Lake Marion, Alex Harvin Landing				
Clarendon	Lake Marion, Potato, Wyboo, Taw Caw Creeks				
Florence	Jeffries Creek, Freedom Florence Park	21	24	1.5	14
Greenville	Reedy River at Greenville Tech				
Greenville	Reedy River, Falls Park	61	1000	0.5	30
Greenville	Reedy River, ReWa campus	92	480	0.96	14
Hampton	Combahee River, Combahee Landing	7	350	1.5	25
Hampton	Savannah River, Stokes Bluff Landing	7	515	2	32
Horry	Little Pee Dee River, Sandy Bluff Landing	8	200	2	20
Kershaw	Wateree River, Lugoff Access Area	4		1	14
Lexington	Lake Murray, Frayed Knot Restaurant	64	630	0.25	33
Lexington	Lake Murray, South Shore Marina	43	1660	1.94	72
Lexington	Saluda River, Hope Ferry Landing	8	30	8	8
Newberry	Lake Murray, Dreher Island State Park	25	470	3.77	29
Oconee	Lake Jocassee	100	100	5	52
Pickens	Lake Keowee, Crow Creek Landing				
Pickens	Lake Keowee, Warpath Landing	2	50	0.5	5
Pickens	Lake Pinnacle, Table Rock swim area	2	8	1	2
Pickens	Twelve Mile Creek, Cateechee Beach	3	130	1	4
Richland	Broad River near Peak	7	30	5	5
Richland	Congaree River at Columbia	10	500	2	5
Richland	Congaree River, Jordan Landing	24	70	0.75	20
Richland	Congaree River, Senate Street landing	6	300	0.1	14
Richland	Lake Murray, Lake Murray Marina	110	2998	7.11	163
Richland	Saluda River, Saluda Riverwalk	1	10	2	1
<b>Totals</b>		<b>702</b>	<b>11,230</b>	<b>53.13</b>	<b>617</b>

## Items Collected

The common items collected in 2021: beverage bottles and cans (plastic, glass, and aluminum), cigarette butts, food wrappers, take-out food containers, plastic grocery bags, cups and plates, bottle caps, cup lids, other plastic bags, forks-knives-spoons, straws-stirrers, fishing line and bait containers.

Other noted items collected: tires, toys, fishing lures, fishing hooks, clothing, flipflop, shoes, air conditioner part, television, cordless drill, blankets, traffic cone, kitchen knife, lamp, office furniture, bbq grills, buoys, metal table, metal rack, scarecrow doll, toilet, bedside commode, comforters, air mattress, chairs, refrigerator, propane tanks and bottles, dock bumpers, boat ladder, trampolines, balls (tennis, golf, basketball, soccer), license plate, pop-up tent frames, tent, table umbrellas, cell phone, sunglasses, pipe, large plastic spool, used diapers, used needles, spark plug, hog skull, vapes, cat litter, window blinds, melted candles, plastic netting, table cloth, lacrosse stick, scrap metal, and broken glass.

## **2021 Organizations Participating in the Inland Sweep**

Site captains provided information about the organizations they represented. The participating and registered organization were as follows:

- Boy Scout Troop 320
- Clarendon Soil & Water Conservation
- Congaree Riverkeeper
- Friends of Jocassee
- Goat Island Boat Club
- Greenville Technical College
- Greeter's Broad River Paddlers
- Hampton Conservation District
- Keep Aiken County Beautiful
- Keep Florence Beautiful
- Keep Pickens County Beautiful
- Keep the Midlands Beautiful
- Kershaw County c/o Wood E&IS
- Palmetto Outdoor Adventures
- Renewable Water Resources (ReWa)
- Riverside Community Church
- Sandel family
- SC Governor's School of Arts and Humanities
- SC Department of Natural Resources
- Seven Springs Farm
- Shakespeare Company, LLC
- Table Rock State Park
- Wateree Dive Center