



Catawba River, Lancaster-York Counties



Broad River, Newberry-Richland-Fairfield Counties



Lake Murray, Lexington County



2015 Inland Sweep Annual Report



Lake Marion, Clarendon County



Jefferies Creek, Florence County



Sesquicentennial State Park Lake, Richland County



Broad River-99 Islands, Cherokee County



Congaree River, Richland-Lexington County



Lynches River, Lee County



Cary Lake, Richland County

2015 Beach Sweep/River Sweep - Inland Annual Report

South Carolina's 27th annual Beach Sweep/River Sweep cleanup occurred September 19, 2015. For the inland portions of the state there were 33 sites registered by 33 site captains for cleanups in 21 counties of South Carolina.

Data reports were requested from all the site captains; however, there was only partial response with data being reported by 25 site captains; a response rate of 76%. A response is considered a communication from a site captain (or site volunteer) reporting numbers of volunteers who actually participated, amount of trash collected (by weight and/or bags), and approximate miles covered. Data from the cleanup are presented below. "Reported" data comes from a site captain or volunteer following a cleanup. Other data presented as "registered" reflects information provided by site captains when they registered for participation in the Inland Sweep.

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. For additional information regarding the Inland Sweep contact: Bill Marshall, South Carolina Department of Natural Resources, PO Box 167, Columbia, SC 29202; telephone: 803-734-9096, email: marshallb@dnr.sc.gov.

Information presented in this report includes: 2015 Quick Facts, Information Reported by County, Items Collected, and Participating Organizations.

The cover photos are selected from photos taken by volunteers with the 2015 Sweep.

2015 Quick Facts

Number of Counties in South Carolina with inland BSRS sites	21 counties registered 19 counties reported
Volunteers of inland BSRS	919 volunteers reported
Sites cleaned with inland BSRS	33 cleanup sites registered 25 cleanup sites reported
Estimated pounds of litter and debris removed from South Carolina waterways, inland BSRS	35,416 pounds reported
Miles cleaned with inland BSRS	57.75 miles reported

2015 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
Abbeville	Lake Russell				
Cherokee	Lake Thicketty	2	25	0.25	3
Cherokee	Broad River, Overmountain Trail crossing	7	200	0.5	
Clarendon	Lake Marion	23	350		
Darlington	Black Creek				
Fairfield, Kershaw	Lake Wateree				
Florence	Jefferies Creek	40	357	2	25
Florence	Lynches River				
Greenville	Middle Saluda and North Saluda Rivers	12	2600	2	62
Greenville	Reedy River		300	1	
Greenville	Reedy River at First Baptist Church, Cleveland St		700	0.25	20
Greenville	Reedy River & Brushy Creek	70	3000	2.5	300
Hampton	Combahee River Boat Landing	8	400	0.25	22
Kershaw	Wateree area				
Lancaster, York	Catawba River	20	500	5	60
Lee	Lynches River, Lee County Landing	4	190		9
Lexington	Lake Murray, Park at Irmo side of Dam	8	29	0.5	9
Marlboro	Lake Paul Wallace	58		3	30
Oconee, Pickens	Lake Jocassee	180	2000	25	200
Pickens	Lake Pinnacle at Table Rock State Park	9	7	1	1
Pickens	Lake Keowee				
Richland	Wateree and Congaree River landings	5	220	1	25
Richland	Cary Lake, Arcadia Lake	17			25
Richland	Lower Saluda River	27	1080	0.5	54
Richland	Sesquicentennial State Park lake	45	3	2.5	3
Richland	Gills Creek	9	75	0.5	
Richland	Gills Creek, Jackson Blvd to Lk Katherine				
Richland, Lexington	Congaree River, Gervais to Rosewood Landing	18	1500	2	30
Richland, Newberry, Fairfield	Broad River, near Peak	19	200	5	12
Spartanburg	Pacolet River, near Clifton	30	1800	2	70
Spartanburg	Lake Bowen & Lake Blalock	250	19880		
Spartanburg	Lawson Fork Creek				
Spartanburg	Lawson Fork at Cottonwood Trail	58		1	52
	TOTAL	919	35,416	57.75	1,012

Items Collected

Most common items collected: bottles and cans (beverage type), cigarette butts, take-out food containers, food wrappers, cups and plates, bottle caps, cup lids, plastic grocery bags, other plastic bags, forks-knives-spoons, straws-stirrers, and bait containers were collected. Other items collected: shopping carts, child riding toy and slide, tires, clothing, construction cones, florescent light tubes, folding chairs, dock float, cooler, drain pipe, fishing pole and lures, Mitt Romney sign, bikes, pallets, glass jars, American flag, alternator, tile adhesive, car hood and other parts, propane tank, recycle container, hubcap, water heater, building materials, bottles, bbq grill, swimming float, and cinder blocks

2015 Organizations Participating in the Inland Sweep

Site captains provided information about the organizations they represented and those they recruited as cleanup volunteers for the inland Sweep. Participating organization were as follows:

Benedict College Chapter National Society of Black Engineers
Bennettsville Rotary Club
Boy Scout Pack and Troop 195
Boy Scout Troop 320
Broad River friends
Catawba Riverkeeper
Congaree Riverkeeper
Florence Darlington Stormwater Consortium & Keep Florence Beautiful
Friends of Lake Jocassee
Friends of the Reedy River
Gills Creek Watershed Association
Girl Scouts
Goat Island Boat Club
Grandview Baptist Church
Hampton Soil & Water Conservation District
Keep the Midlands Beautiful
L Turner and friends
Partners for Active Living
ReWa & Boy Scouts
Sandel Family
Save Our Saluda
SCDHEC Bureau of Health and Environmental Services
SonocoCares
South Carolina State Parks
SPACE
Spartanburg Day School Environmental Science Class
Spartanburg Water
Sun City Carolina Lakes Canoe & Kayak Club
Town of Arcadia Lakes
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Water of Life
White Knoll High School National Art Honors Society
Wicker Family and Friends