



# WATERSHED MOMENTS

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## Upcoming Events

### **Electronics Recycling**

*August 10, 2013*

*7:30 AM-10:30 AM*

*Brookland Baptist Church*

### **Poster Contest**

*Deadline: August 15, 2013*

*Go to the [rcgov.us](http://www.rcgov.us) website for submission details and rules*

## Newsorthy:

### Conservation Poster Contest



This year, as a method of raising awareness for watershed protection, a poster contest is being held to design a poster promoting the thought provoking question: "Where does your water shed?". The contest is open to Richland County K-12 students and must only tell the story of our watersheds and impart a conservation message. The posters will be sent in for judging with prize for first place being \$50. The deadline for the contest is August 15, 2013. More information about rules and submission guidelines can be found at the following website:

<http://www.rcgov.us/Portals/0/Departments/Conservation/DistrictDocs/PosterContest.pdf>

## GCWA Adopt-a-Highway

August 10, 2013

10:00 AM- 12:00 PM

South Beltline Boulevard

## Summer Celebration of Water

August 24, 2013

10:00 AM-2:00 PM

Riverfront Park

## Ongoing Projects

### Partners for Healthy Watersheds Business Recognition Program

Find out how your business can participate at [www.clemson.edu/carolinaclear/rcsc](http://www.clemson.edu/carolinaclear/rcsc).

### Carolina Yards and Neighborhoods

Learn how create attractive and healthy lawns by working with South Carolina's environment rather than against it. Go to [www.clemson.edu/cyn](http://www.clemson.edu/cyn) for more information.

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## Recent Activities:

### 4-H2O Day Camps

On the weeks of June 24-28 and July 8-12, the Richland Countywide Stormwater Consortium and Clemson University Extension service partnered with the Lexington County 4-H Department to provide two fun and educational day camps. The camps covered a variety of water conservation subjects and had the involvement of the Coast Guard Auxiliary, SCE&G, the Forestry Commission, DNR and a host of other organizations to not only provide vital education on the subject of water preservation but also to make learning about caring for watersheds fun. The students had a great time hiking, kayaking, boating and swimming while studying the Lake Murray and Congaree watersheds over the course of the week.



*Campers enjoy investigating the local macroinvertebrates found in the waters of the midlands (Left) and Congaree campers enjoy a hike through Congaree National Park (Right).*

## Pesticide, Herbicides, and Fertilizers Conference

The PHF Conference, held June 4<sup>th</sup> at Midlands Tech Northeast Campus, brought together landscapers and pest control experts to discuss the disposal, management, and regulation of pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers. The conference was essential in opening up the discussion on the problem of fertilizer over use and pesticide/herbicide misuse. The conference was deemed necessary by the participants and a good presence to remember in next year's planning.

## Upcoming Activities:

### Electronics Recycling

August 10th, 2013

7:30 AM – 10:30 AM

Brookland Baptist Church

Northeast Campus

1203 Summit Parkway



Have unwanted appliances you don't know what to do with? Let Richland County take care of them! Old and broken computers, televisions and other household appliances are just a few of the things that will be safely and properly disposed of at the electronics recycling event on August 10<sup>th</sup>. For details and a complete list of recyclables accepted at this event, check out

<http://www.richlandonline.com/Home/Events/TabId/102/ArtMID/721/ArticleID/169/Electronic-Recycling-Event.aspx>.



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## **GCWA Adopt-a-Highway**

**August 10, 2013**

**10:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

**South Beltline Blvd**

Join us on August 10<sup>th</sup> in our quest to keep the Gills Creek watershed beautiful! Will be meeting at 10 AM in the Intertape Polymer Group parking lot located at 2000 South

Beltline Boulevard. We will be picking up trash on South Beltline Boulevard from Plowden Road to Bluff Road. For more information and questions contact Julie Mayson at [julie.mayson@gillscreekwatershed.org](mailto:julie.mayson@gillscreekwatershed.org) or visit the Facebook event page at <https://www.facebook.com/events/422375637859918>.

***Help to raise awareness to ways each of us can protect our local watersheds and quality of life in our communities by sharing this newsletter with others!***

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