



WATERSHED MOMENTS

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Spring is coming! If you are preparing to fertilize your lawn for the new growing season, be sure to get a soil test first! Go to http://www.clemson.edu/public/regulatory/ag_svc_lab/soil_testing/ for instructions.

Upcoming Events

Caring for Creation
March 11, 2013
6:30-8:00 PM
701 Whaley St.

Richland Backyard Landscaping Series
March 14, 21, 28 & April 4
6:00-7:00 PM
Cooper Branch Library,
Forest Acres

4-H2O Exploring Lake Murray
June 24-28, 2013
8:30-4:30 PM daily
SCE&G Recreation Area
on Lake Murray

4-H2O Exploring the Congaree Watershed
July 8-12, 2013
8:30-4:00 PM daily

Newsorthy:

Stormwater Websites Get a Facelift

The Carolina Clear website has a new look! Drop down menus make links easy to find, and the calendar feature highlights upcoming events. The Richland Countywide Stormwater Consortium website will be getting similar improvements in the near future, so check back soon. Check out these updates at www.clemson.edu/carolinaclear.

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Carolina Clear

Ever think that you could be a solution to water pollution? Actions individuals take on the land affect the quality of our local waterways that we use for drinking water, recreation, shellfish harvesting, fishing and other activities. Tourism especially relies on pristine waterways and shellfish availability.

Carolina Clear works amongst regional partnerships with communities, organizations and others to educate and involve the public in waterway protection and pollution prevention. Find out where Carolina Clear has established partnerships and ways that you can get involved by exploring our website. Each individual action counts to prevent stormwater pollution. **We all live downstream!**

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Featured Videos

Facebook

Carolina Clear has a new look! Check out our website changes at 03/05/2013

New Carolina Clear homepage makes stormwater information easier to find.

Ongoing Projects

Partners for Healthy Watersheds Business Recognition Program

Find out how your business can participate at 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 for more information.

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4-H2O Water Quality Day Camp Dates Announced

Know a student age 10-14 who loves water and the outdoors? Sign them up for 4-H2O day camp! 4-H2O Exploring Lake Murray will be June 24-28, and 4-H2O Exploring the Congaree Watershed will be July 8-12. Both camps offer unique opportunities for youth to learn about protecting local streams, lakes, and rivers while experiencing them first hand, with activities such as boating, swimming, kayaking, hiking, and wildlife encounters. For more information and registration, go to www.clemson.edu/extension/4H2O.



Left, campers use a seine net to study the fish of Lake Murray. Right, students take a trip down the Saluda River.

Upcoming Activities:

Caring for Creation

March 11, 2013
6:30 – 8:00 PM
701 Whaley St., Columbia

Want to start a Green Team for your congregation? At the Sustainable Midlands Caring for Creation workshop, network with members of local congregation green teams and hear about their programs and initiatives to care for creation. Visit <http://www.sustainablemidlands.org/> for more information and registration.

Richland Backyard Landscaping Series

Thursdays, March 14 , 21, 28 & April 4, 2013
6:00 – 7:00 PM

Richland County Public Library,
Cooper Branch, Forest Acres

Learn how to make your yard better for the environment and easier to care for at the same time. This four-part series is based on the Carolina Yards and Neighborhoods program, a homeowner recognition program from Clemson Extension. Topics will include choosing the right plant for the right place, turf grass care, gardening for wildlife, and conserving water in the landscape. (Registration is not required.)

The Clemson University Cooperative Extension Service offers its programs to people of all ages regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, disability, political beliefs, sexual orientation, marital or family status and is an equal opportunity employer.



Build Your Own Rain Barrel Workshop

April 16, 2013

4:00 - 7:00 PM

Clemson Sandhill REC

Start saving up your rainy days with your very own rain barrel! At the rain barrel workshop on April 16 you can make a barrel to take home. Rain barrels collect water from your roof, which can then be used to water your flower beds, wash your car, and many other outdoor uses. [Follow this link for a registration form and additional details.](#)

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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