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November 2011 CWSEC E-News

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Announcements

Storm Drain Marking Program in Full Swing

Meghan Amarante, CCU undergraduate intern, has been busy planning for several storm drain marking events. With the assistance of Horry County Stormwater, Meghan will be working with 125 Burgess Elementary 5th graders on Nov. 7th, 9th, and 14th, to mark drains in The Gates and Queens Harbour Estates. The students are also developing door hangers and brochures to distribute during the marking. On Nov. 7th Meghan, with assistance from Jay Beeson (North Myrtle Beach Stormwater Compliance Manager), will be helping North Myrtle Beach High School students mark North Ocean Boulevard and Sea Mountain Highway. If you have locations for marking and/or groups to participate, contact [Meghan](#).

Saturday, Nov. 5th, 9 am – 12 pm, North Myrtle Beach Annual Home Cleanup Day, 2nd Avenue South Sanitation Transfer Station, North Myrtle Beach

Keep North Myrtle Beach Beautiful is holding its Annual Citywide Home Cleanup Day to provide residents an opportunity to clean out their closets, attics, garages, and storage sheds. During this event, residents may discard any unwanted items including appliances, TVs, furniture, paint, pesticides, chemicals, oil, and tires, etc. For more information, call 843-280-5673.

CWSEC Member Elected to SCASM Board

Thom Roth, Horry County Deputy Stormwater Manager, was elected on November 3rd to the SC Association of Stormwater Managers as the secretary/treasurer. Congratulations to Thom! To learn more about SCASM [click here](#).

Thursday, Nov. 10th, 6:30 - 8 pm, Burgess Community Area Plan Meeting #2, St. James High

The Horry County Planning Department is hosting a second meeting on the development of the Burgess Community Area Plan. They will recap the survey results, discuss the goals and strategies of the plan, and have a Q&A session. [Click here](#) to view the draft plan.

CWSEC Releases New Website

Carolina Clear's Chris Ramaglia has been busy over the last few months reworking the Consortium's website. We encourage you to visit the site at www.cwsec-sc.org and believe that it will be a useful tool in educating a variety of audiences about regional stormwater issues and solutions, CWSEC members' resources, and our past, present and future activities. If you have any comments or suggestions, contact [Chris](#).

Saturday, Nov. 19th, 11:30 am – 3:30 pm, 8th Annual Murrells Inlet Oyster Roast

This annual creek-front tradition is sponsored by Murrells Inlet 2020. Tickets are on sale for \$30 per person, all-you-can-eat, and other food & beverages separately priced. Call 357-2007 for more details.

Registration is Open for December 5th – 6th, Southeast Tidal Creeks Summit, Francis Marion Hotel, Charleston, SC

This meeting seeks to convene researchers, resource managers, regulators, conservation groups and other non-government organizations to share experiences, network with colleagues and become involved in shaping the future of tidal creeks in the Southeast. For more information, visit the summit [website](#).

Local Highway Theft of Storm Drain Covers

Thieves have been stealing manhole and storm drain covers from highways across South Carolina, but have recently hit locally. Read more at WMBF News [website](#).

Resources

EPA Releases *Assessment of Water Quality of Runoff from Sealed Asphalt Surfaces*

This report discusses the results of runoff tests from recently sealed asphalt surfaces. A variety of water quality analyses of the runoff were conducted. To view the entire report, [click here](#).

Future Opportunities

WEF Announces National Stormwater Symposium, July 18-20, Baltimore, MD

The Water Environment Federation will host a national stormwater symposium next summer in Baltimore's Inner Harbor area. This event will cover technical, policy and programmatic issues related to stormwater. Visit WEF's [website](#) to learn more.

Past Events

Tuesday, Oct. 25th, CWSEC Educational Presentation, Horry County Stormwater Advisory Board Meeting

The core education providers highlighted the Consortium's educational efforts in the County at the October SWAB meeting. An overview of the annual activity planning and reporting was also presented. If you are interested in having a similar presentation given to your elected/appointed boards, commissions or councils, please contact [Karen](#).

Saturday, Oct. 28th, Waties Island beach Sweep

Nineteen volunteers participated in a cleanup on Waties Island above Cherry Grove Beach. The cleanup generated an estimated weight of over 1,000 pounds of trash and debris. Data sheets were tallied up and the results were sent to the SC Sea Grant Consortium for inclusion in the River/Beach Sweep information.