



# State of Louisiana

## Department of Environmental Quality



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### Beach Sweep scheduled for Sept. 18

The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality encourages everyone to help keep Louisiana beautiful and litter free. Join in the 19th Great Louisiana Beach Sweep and Inland Waterway Cleanup scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 18. The beach sweep is part of the International Coastal Cleanup, the oldest and largest beach and waterway cleanup in the world with data collection.

DEQ coordinates the event with Zone Coordinators throughout the state, the Ocean Conservancy, other federal and state agencies, private companies and most importantly, volunteers.

“Most of our volunteers make this event a family affair and consider it a great educational tool. Last year 3,960 Louisiana citizens joined forces to collect over 115,504 pounds of debris and covered over 332 miles of beaches and waterways,” Pam Kimball, DEQ Litter Coordinator said.

Please contact the following **Beach Sweep Zone Coordinators** in your area for specific times and locations:

<b>Cameron Zone</b>	Nathan Griffith	318-569-2484
<b>Fourchon Zone</b>	Kay Dantin	985-396-3183
<b>Grand Isle Zone</b>	Michele Theriot	504-787-3196
<b>Lake Ponchartrain Zone</b>	JoAnne Burke	504-836-2215

Please contact the following **Inland Waterway Cleanup Coordinators** in your area for specific times and locations:

<b>Cross Lake, City Bayou, Red River</b>	Donna Curtis	318-219-1888
<b>Keep Baton Rouge Beautiful</b>	Gwen Emick	225-381-0860
<b>Keep Mandeville Beautiful</b>	Debra Lala	985-624-3165
<b>Keep St. John Beautiful</b>	Greg Maurin	985-652-7058
<b>Keep Terrebonne Beautiful</b>	Gayle Ritchie	985-594-4960
<b>Lake Bistineau, Red River</b>	Delma Burke	318-987-7275
<b>Lake Charles</b>	Esther D. Vincent	337-491-8616
<b>Lake Martin &amp; Bayou DeSiard</b>	Theresa Privat	318-332-1994
<b>Ouachita-Keep Monroe Beautiful</b>	Richard Moore	318-329-2800
<b>Ouachita-Keep W. Monroe Beautiful</b>	Jackie Green	318-325-0496

Additional information about this event is available from DEQ by calling (225) 219-3274 or (toll-free) (888) 763-5424.

