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## Riverkeeper hosts trash pick-up

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Seventy volunteers recently volunteered to clean up nine different sites along the Satilla River. Each year the Satilla Riverkeeper hosts this watershed-wide event to target the chronic trash problem at popular river access points. More than 3,000 pounds of trash was collected at nine sites from

Waycross to Camden and Glynn Counties, where the Satilla River reaches the estuary. Two of the nine clean up sites were in the Marshes of Glynn on the Turtle River at Hwy. 99, and on the Little Satilla River at Hwy 17, both in Brunswick.

Glynn Environmental Coalition coordinated volunteers from the Glynn Academy STEM Club as they got an up-close look at marsh and the trash the plagues it along the Turtle River landing. This site was cleaned up a year ago, but students still pulled large items and plenty of bottles and cans out of the marsh mud and vegetation.

Other community partners that contributed to our efforts and helped make this event a success: American Rivers, Republic Services, Walmart Supercenter in Brunswick, Walgreens on the Torras Causeway in Brunswick, Earth Inspired Kids, Friends of the Satilla River, Keep Brantley Beautiful and Litter Free, xity of Blackshear, Pierce County Chamber of Commerce and the Satilla River Water Trail.

Satilla Riverkeeper is a 501©(3) organization established in 2004 whose mission is to protect, restore and educate about the unique and beautiful blackwater Satilla River. To learn more, visit [www.satillariverkeeper.org](http://www.satillariverkeeper.org).

Pictured are **Jad Darazim**, from left, **Monty Hughes**, **Will Theiler**, **Omar Martinez**, **Tedd Theiler**, **Gracie Wenzel** and **Laura Early**, Satilla Riverkeeper.