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Renewable Water Resources Employees Clean Up Reedy

15th Annual Reedy River Sweep

Greenville, S.C. (September 21, 2010) – Renewable Water Resources (ReWa) recently held its annual Reedy River Sweep for the 15th consecutive year, a volunteer event for ReWa employees to give back to the environment.

Blake Visin, Director of Information Technology, was the organizer of ReWa’s “Stream Team.” Visin said, “Our employees enjoy participating in this event because our jobs focus on protecting Upstate waterways. We feel this clean-up effort is important because it provides us with another opportunity to protect the water quality of the Reedy River.”



This year’s River Sweep was a record breaker with the largest number of participants removing a record low amount of trash and debris. There were 46 participants this year, collecting less than a ton of trash and debris from the Reedy River’s section at ReWa’s Mauldin Facility. The 1.5-mile riverfront at the intersection of I-85 and Mauldin Road runs through the property and serves as the receiving stream for the plant’s effluent.

“The river is the cleanest that it has ever been, that is really a testament that people in the community are aware and are making an effort to keep the river clean,” said Visin. “It also shows that all of our River Sweep efforts are paying off.”



The event was scheduled in conjunction with the 22nd annual state-wide South Carolina Beach Sweep/River Sweep week, which is organized by the SC Sea Grant Consortium, the SC Department of Natural Resources, and the SCANA Corporation. Last year, more than 6,000 South Carolina volunteers removed over 45 tons of aquatic debris from South Carolina’s waterways. This annual clean

up clears our waterways of unsightly debris, educates the public about the impact that aquatic debris has on our economy and our environment, and serves as a research tool for the Center for Marine Conservation in Washington, D.C.

Renewable Water Resources (ReWa)

ReWa's goal is to promote a cleaner environment, and to protect the public health and water quality of the Upstate waterways, while providing and developing the necessary sewer infrastructure for the growing economy. ReWa serves more than 400,000 industrial, commercial and residential customers in Greenville County and parts of Anderson, Spartanburg, Pickens and Laurens Counties.



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