



2023 LSP ANNUAL REPORT



The Lowcountry Stormwater Partners (LSP) is an active consortium comprised of partnerships between the Clemson Extension's Carolina Clear Program, local governments, and several local organizations dedicated to the protection and preservation of Lowcountry waterways. Together, we work with residents, contractors, and other audiences to prevent stormwater pollution. We also encourage individuals to take action, get involved, and promote personal responsibility for waterway protection.

2023 AT A GLANCE

Education:

- 2,152,636 impacts*
- 274 programs
- 79% of programming directly delivered to the audience

Outreach:

- 4,246 Impacts*
- 57 programs
- 100% of programming directly delivered to the audience

**Impacts measure the amount people learning, participating, and receiving stormwater education/outreach efforts through programs, events, and media activities. Individuals may be counted more than once if they attend multiple programs or received multiple education materials and resources. Data provided are as accurate as possible and are reviewed by multiple individuals involved in the reporting process. However, due to the nature of indirect outreach initiatives, indirect impacts numbers are typically estimates.*

"[The 2023 Beaufort Area Pond Conference was] very well organized and ran well. It was beneficial to learn what techniques seemed to work for folks and how to implement ideas in our community." - A Program Participant

2023 Program Highlights

The LSP was out and about in the community more than ever this year! We hosted a conference, continued to grow citizen science programs, and got published! We also helped a record number of people with pond, drainage, erosion, and other water-related issues through site visits. These successful programs are a sample of our commitment to protecting Lowcountry waterways!



2023 Beaufort Area Stormwater Pond Conference

The LSP hosted their fourth pond conference this year! 52 individuals came to learn the latest in stormwater pond management from local researchers, regulators, and educators!



SC Adopt-A-Stream (SC AAS)

SC AAS volunteers play an essential role in monitoring water quality. During 2023, 70 new volunteers joined the program! Current volunteers adopted 44 sites, spent 429.25 hours sampling, and gave the equivalent of \$7,396 towards water quality benefits.



In-Person Field Visits

The LSP assisted residents with water-related issues through research-based information during 20+ field visits. Field visits empower residents to better understand and manage their stormwater concerns utilizing best practices and enable them to share their new knowledge throughout the community!



Publications

We published five articles in the The Island Packet! Keep an eye on the Sunday edition's real estate section for more articles written by our coordinator, Ellen Sturup Comeau, who was also interviewed by Southern Living! Check it out at [https://bit.ly/49zqDDD!](https://bit.ly/49zqDDD)

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