## Gulf Coast Waste Disposal Authority River, Lakes, Bays 'N Bayous Trash Bash

## **Project Description**

River, Lakes, Bays 'N Bayous Trash Bash is an annual event that utilizes volunteers to clean up trash and pollutants from Galveston Bay and waterways in the San Jacinto watershed. The Project has resulted in the removal of an average of 141.7 tons of trash and 729 abandoned tires annually from these waterways. Gulf Coast Waste Disposal Authority shall use SEP Funds to pay for materials, supplies, disposal, transportation, and advertising, as well as costs directly associated with the cleanup of trash and pollutants from Galveston Bay and waterways in the San Jacinto watershed. Gulf Coast Waste Disposal Authority shall not use SEP Funds to pay for food, drinks, or t-shirts. Gulf Coast Waste Disposal Authority shall use SEP Funds only to clean up property owned by a local government entity, as defined in Texas Water Code § 7.067, or privately owned property that is not subject to a TCEQ enforcement action at the time of cleanup.

Gulf Coast Waste Disposal Authority shall provide to the SEP program information regarding the amount of trash removed, miles of shoreline and waterways cleaned, number of tires recycled, number of volunteers participating in the program, the names and locations of the authorized facilities where trash and tires resulting from the clean up were disposed of and/or recycled, as well as disposal and recycling receipts that show the amount of waste disposed of or recycled. Gulf Coast Waste Disposal Authority shall also provide a map of each site cleaned during the Project.

## **Environmental Benefit**

This SEP will directly benefit water quality by removing pollutants from Galveston Bay and waterways in the San Jacinto watershed. This SEP will educate volunteers about non-point source pollution and steps the volunteers can take to help keep the environment clean.

## **Eligible Areas and Counties**

This project may receive contributions from the following:

Galveston and Harris Counties

**Minimum Contribution Amount** 

\$25.00