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KEEP TERREBONNE BEAUTIFUL TO HOLD LOVE OUR WATERWAYS CLEANUP ON SEPTEMBER 19

HOUMA, LA — Keep Terrebonne Beautiful will host a **Love Our Waterways Cleanup** on Saturday, September 19, 2026, at the **Bayou Terrebonne Paddle Loop Trailhead, 7860 Park Ave., Houma, LA 70364**, as part of Love Our Waterways, Louisiana's largest coordinated waterway and shoreline litter removal initiative organized by Keep Louisiana Beautiful and the Office of the Lieutenant Governor.

Volunteer registration and check-in will begin at **7:30 a.m.**, with cleanup activities taking place from **8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

Community volunteers are invited to help remove litter and debris from the Bayou Terrebonne area. Participants will have the opportunity to choose from three cleanup areas:

- **Bayou-side cleanup**
- **Roadside cleanup**
- **In-the-water boat cleanup**

Volunteers participating in the in-the-water cleanup are responsible for providing their **own boat and properly fitted life preserver/personal flotation device**.

Water is intrinsic to Louisiana's recreation, tourism, and seafood industries, and litter threatens these industries while damaging coastal ecosystems. Research shows that approximately 80 percent of marine debris originates on land and is carried into waterways through stormwater systems and drainage channels. Love Our Waterways brings attention to this issue while mobilizing communities across Louisiana to help clean up the state's waterways and shorelines.

"Terrebonne Parish is defined by its bayous and waterways, and keeping them clean is a responsibility we all share," said **Billie, Executive Director** of Keep Terrebonne Beautiful. "This cleanup gives our community an opportunity to work together, make an immediate difference, and help protect the waterways that are such an important part of life in Terrebonne Parish."

“Every piece of litter removed from our waterways, ditches, drains, and shorelines represents a positive step toward a cleaner and healthier Louisiana,” said Susan Russell, Executive Director of Keep Louisiana Beautiful. “Thank you to all of the groups bringing together volunteers to make a tangible impact.”

Following the conclusion of Love Our Waterways, Keep Louisiana Beautiful will release an outcomes report highlighting the collective impact of registered events statewide. The report will include the number of events and volunteers, pounds of litter and debris removed, miles of waterways cleaned, and other environmental impact statistics.

Volunteers can register for the Keep Terrebonne Beautiful Love Our Waterways Cleanup at <https://linktr.ee/keepterrebonnebeautiful>.

A limited number of event T-shirts will be available **first-come, first-served at check-in beginning at 7:30 a.m.** Sizes and availability are not guaranteed.

Questions about the cleanup may be directed to **Billie Richard, Executive Director**, at keepterrebonnebeautiful@gmail.com, (985) 257-6322.

For more information about Love Our Waterways, visit **LoveLAWaterways.org** or contact info@keeplouisianabeautiful.org.

About Keep Terrebonne Beautiful

Keep Terrebonne Beautiful is a Keep America Beautiful affiliate dedicated to engaging the Terrebonne Parish community in efforts to prevent litter, reduce waste, beautify public spaces, and promote environmental stewardship. Through education, volunteerism, cleanups, and community partnerships, Keep Terrebonne Beautiful works to create a cleaner, greener, and more beautiful Terrebonne Parish.

About Love Our Waterways

Love Our Waterways is a month-long statewide initiative led by Keep Louisiana Beautiful and the Office of the Lieutenant Governor to remove litter and marine debris from Louisiana’s rivers, lakes, bayous, shorelines, and coastal areas while promoting litter prevention and environmental stewardship.



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**SATURDAY,
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PADDLE LOOP TRAILHEAD**
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8:30 AM – 11:30 AM – Cleanup**

CHOOSE YOUR CLEANUP AREA:



**BAYOU SIDE
CLEANUP**



**ROADSIDE
CLEANUP**



**IN THE WATER
BY BOAT**

*Boat cleanup participants are responsible for providing their own boat
and properly fitted life preserver/personal flotation device.*

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