

## **KECB Newsletter-September, 2025**

<u>Litter-</u> August was another quiet month. It was still too hot to do much unless it was early in the morning. Our Lion's Club braved the heat and completed another pickup on Petersburg Rd. on August 16<sup>th</sup>. The crew of 7 picked up 150 pounds of litter. Bill Hood, one of our Board members, cleaned up 50 pounds of trash around the Anthony Shoals area on the Broad River on August 24. He is organizing another pickup on September 6 with River's Alive. See the notice below.

<u>Beautification-</u> Weeding and pruning have been the main activities for August. Between the rain and heat it was hard to keep up.

Membership - Membership stands steady at 76.

Education- Now that school is back in session, KECB is hoping to team up again with 4H and with BETA Club.

Other- 1. The <u>Transfer Station will again be open September 6</u>. Please use this facility! We have been asking for this to be open on at least 1 Saturday a month for several years. If it doesn't get enough business it won't continue the Saturday openings. The fees stated are for 1 **ton (2000 pounds)** of waste. Most pick up and flat trailers are not going to have more than \$25 worth of waste.

## 2. RIVERS ALIVE CLEANUP SEPTEMBER 6, 2025 8:00 am to 12:00 pm

**Keep Elbert County Beautiful** is hosting a **Rivers Alive Cleanup** of the public access points of the lower portion of the Broad River. Participants that register in advance will receive a **Rivers Alive** T-shirt.

**Meet:** 8:00 am on the Lower Broad River WMA in Elbert County. Coordinates are 33.998099 N - 82.656340W. Coming from Hwy. 79 on the River Road, the point is the first access road on the left. There will be a sign that says "KECB Litter Pickup."

**Plan:** group will split up with some cleaning the two access roads on the Elbert side of Anthony Shoals, and some cleaning the access points on the Wilkes side of Anthony Shoals. Trash will be dropped at the meeting spot on River Road. Depending on the number of people, we will also try to clean up the Elbert boat ramp at Highway 17, and around the right-of-way on the Oglethorpe side at the Highway 77 bridge.

**What to bring:** water, snacks, and any tools you think you might need. Recommend gloves, long pants, sturdy shoes/boots, insect repellent, sunscreen.

**Supplied:** trash bags, orange vests, some "litter grabbers", some lightweight gloves. Will also have at least one large cooler with cold water.

**Contact:** Bill Hood – 706-818-2213

- Rivers Alive and KECB are not liable for any accidents or losses.
- 3. <u>September 27</u> will be another opportunity to volunteer with the annual shoreline clean up on Lake Russell. This is sponsored by the Army Corps of Engineers. At our last meeting we learned that besides picking up trash there would be an opportunity to plant Bald Cypress trees and a type of grass that grows in shallow water. Both activities are a great way to get groups, individuals and families involved in volunteering.

Coming up in September we have- Welcome to any and all volunteers! -call (706-567-0481) or email (kebeautiful@gmail.com) us to find out how you can be involved.

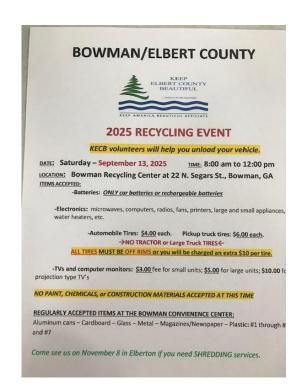
**September 6-** River's Alive/KECB Clean up on Broad River. See above.

**September 9-** Monthly KECB meeting beginning at 5:30 in our office. All are invited.

**September 13**- Bowman Recycling Event 8-12. Bring us your tires, computers, TV's, appliances, vehicle batteries **September 27**-National Public Lands Day. This annual event has been the nation's largest single day volunteer effort. See #3 in Other. Be a part of it!



**Transfer Station** 



**Bowman Recycling** 

