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International Coastal Cleanup planned for Sept. 21

Erie, PA – Volunteers are needed to help with the annual International Coastal Cleanup, which will take place Saturday, Sept. 21, from 9 a.m. to noon at locations around Erie County.

Cleanups are scheduled at the following sites:

- Raccoon Creek Park, Springfield Twp
- Avonia Beach Park, Fairview Twp
- Erie Bluffs State Park/Elk Creek Access, Girard Twp
- Walnut Creek Access and Manchester Beach, Fairview Twp
- Asbury Woods along Upper Walnut Creek, Millcreek Twp
- Frontier Park along Cascade Creek, City of Erie
- Belle Valley Presbyterian Church along upper Mill Creek, Millcreek Twp
- West and East Bayfront and downtown City of Erie
- Wintergreen Gorge along upper Four Mile Creek, Harborcreek Twp
- Lawrence Park Golf Club along lower Four Mile Creek, Lawrence Park Twp
- Headwaters Park at the Erie County Conservation District, Millcreek Twp
- Shades Beach Park, Harborcreek Twp
- North East Marina and Freeport Beach along Twenty Mile Creek, North East Twp
- Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, Edinboro Borough
- Bridger Park, Millcreek Twp
- East Avenue Boat Launch and Beach, City of Erie
- Glinodo Center along Seven Mile Creek, Harborcreek Twp

New this year is a group of volunteer divers that will be diving at Presque Isle Marina removing any litter underwater in the marina area.

On the day of the cleanup, site coordinators will distribute instructions and supplies, including gloves and trash bags, to volunteers.

This is the 17th year for the International Coastal Cleanup event in Erie County. It is organized by Erie County government and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, with support from the Ocean Conservancy, and Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful.

Assisting with costs of disposal for the materials collected, Waste Management will be providing trash collection and disposal at most of the sites, and Bridgestone Americas has provided the Erie International Coastal Cleanup with a Tire4ward grant to help with any tires collected during the event.

In 2018's event, nearly 700 volunteers cleaned up more than 3,000 pounds of trash in Erie County.

All volunteers are encouraged to register for the cleanup by visiting <http://nie.goerie.com/register/> or by contacting Joy Knapp at 814-451-7332 or jknapp@eriecountypa.gov.

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