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# **Education Strategy: Bacteria - Septic and Sewer Infrastructure**

Target Audience: Septic and sewer users

Target Action: Septic and sewer systems that are not operating as designed and/or improperly maintained

**Goal:** Decrease bacteria contributed to the watershed by septic and sewer systems in Anderson & Pickens Counties; increase capacity of target audience.

**Objective:** Provide education and outreach on septic and sewer systems in Anderson & Pickens Counties.

Message	Format and Distribution	Resources	Evaluation
<ul> <li>Systems that are not operating as designed and/or improperly maintained can contribute to harmful bacteria entering into our watershed</li> <li>Save time and money by ensuring proper operation and maintenance of systems</li> <li>Conduct routine inspections &amp; maintenance of systems</li> <li>Protect the drainfield of the septic system</li> <li>Efficient water use is important</li> <li>Avoid cloggers &amp; killers down the drain</li> <li>Report suspected issues to user/municipality</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Economic emphasis</li> <li>Septic presentations</li> <li>Septic webinars</li> <li>Tabling and outreach events</li> <li>Share/distribute educational material directly to target audience</li> <li>Online training</li> <li>Mass media</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>319 Grants</li> <li>Septic Contractors</li> <li>University and Extension</li> <li>Advocacy Groups</li> <li>Regulatory Agencies</li> <li>Municipalities</li> <li>Utilities</li> <li>NRCS</li> <li>HGIC Factsheets</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Number of people who attend presentations and webinars</li> <li>Qualitative evaluations from presentations and webinars</li> <li>Site-specific webpage hits on the developed web-based material</li> <li>Number of educational outreach materials distributed</li> <li>Responses in statewide survey</li> <li>Number of participants in online trainings</li> </ul>

## **Action Items: Bacteria - Septic and Sewer Infrastructure**

- Host Septic and Sewer presentations and webinars
- Develop and update additional outreach materials including online resources
- Distribute educational outreach materials
- Submit proposals to present message where appropriate
- Create a Be Septic Safe Users Guide
- Follow-up calls to find and fix programs including education on resources and maintenance
- Develop window/mirror clings similar to magnets specific for renters

## **Education Strategy: Bacteria - FOG (Fats, Oils, & Grease)**

Target Audience: Individuals who dispose of FOG (fats, oils and grease) both residential and commercial

**Target Action:** Improper FOG disposal

**Goal:** Decrease bacteria contributed to the watershed by improper FOG disposal in Anderson & Pickens Counties; increase capacity of target audience.

**Objective:** Provide education and outreach on proper FOG disposal in Anderson & Pickens Counties.

Message	Format and Distribution	Resources	Evaluation	
<ul> <li>Improper FOG disposal can contribute to harmful bacteria entering our watershed</li> <li>Save time and money by avoiding costly repairs</li> <li>Conduct routine inspections &amp; maintenance of systems</li> <li>Avoid cloggers &amp; killers down the drain</li> <li>Report suspected issues to user/municipality</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Economic emphasis</li> <li>FOG presentations</li> <li>FOG webinars</li> <li>Tabling and outreach events</li> <li>Share/distribute educational material directly to target audience</li> <li>Partner with other Clemson Extension groups (EFNEP, Rural Health, Food Systems)</li> <li>Online training</li> <li>Mass media</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>University and Extension</li> <li>Advocacy Groups</li> <li>Regulatory Agencies</li> <li>Municipalities</li> <li>Utilities</li> <li>Restaurant Associations</li> <li>HGIC Factsheets</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Number of people who attend presentations and webinars</li> <li>Qualitative evaluations from presentations and webinars</li> <li>Site specific webpage hits on the developed web-based material</li> <li>Number of educational outreach materials distributed</li> <li>Responses in statewide survey</li> <li>Number of participants in online trainings</li> </ul>	

## Action Items: Bacteria - FOG (Fats, Oils, & Greases)

- Host FOG presentations and webinars
- Develop and update additional outreach materials including online resources
- Distribute educational outreach materials
  - Collaborate with rural health and EFNEP agents to share FOG promo items and info
  - FOG outreach packets/spill kits provided to campus dining managers annually
- Submit proposals to present message where appropriate
- Add FOG Best Practices Training Course for campus

### **Education Strategy: Litter - Privately Owned Locations**

**Target Audience:** Builders, contractors and commercial properties

Target Behaviors: Illegal dumping, improper disposal of construction site trash and debris, and overflowing dumpsters

**Goal:** Decrease the amount of litter ending up in the watershed from locations in Anderson & Pickens Counties, increase capacity of target audience.

**Objective:** Provide education and outreach on best management practices and benefits of proper waste reduction and disposal in private locations in Anderson & Pickens Counties

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Message Format and Distribution		Resources	Evaluation						
<ul> <li>Save time and money</li> <li>Enhance property image</li> <li>Protect property values</li> <li>Protect our watersheds</li> <li>Dumping household trash and other waste in private dumpsters and other unauthorized areas is illegal</li> <li>Any vehicle transporting material must be covered and secured</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Educational outreach materials</li> <li>Signage</li> <li>Share/distribute educational materials directly with target audience</li> <li>Mass media</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>University and extension</li> <li>Advocacy groups</li> <li>Municipalities</li> <li>Solid waste/recycling companies</li> <li>Regulatory agencies</li> <li>Law enforcement/litter officers</li> <li>Contractors and construction companies</li> </ul>	Number of educational outreach materials distributed						

### **Action Items: Litter - Privately owned locations**

- Develop and update additional outreach materials, including online resources
- Distribute rack cards and other educational outreach materials
- Create signage for businesses and construction sites as appropriate
- Incorporate litter messaging into workshops and presentations related to BMPs for construction and post-construction activities

# **Education Strategy: Litter - Public Locations**

Target Audience: Vehicle/transportation users and campus community

Target Behaviors: Improper covering of transported materials and lack of awareness of disposal sites

**Goal:** Decrease the amount of litter ending up in the watershed from locations in Anderson & Pickens Counties, increase capacity of target audience.

**Objective:** Provide education and outreach on best management practices and benefits of proper waste reduction and disposal in public locations in Anderson & Pickens Counties

Message	Format and Distribution	Resources	Evaluation
<ul> <li>Any vehicle transporting material must be covered and secured</li> <li>To report littering, call 1-877-7Litter</li> <li>Protect our watersheds</li> <li>Dumping household trash and other waste in unauthorized areas is illegal</li> <li>Reduce, reuse, recycle</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Educational outreach materials</li> <li>Signage</li> <li>Outreach events</li> <li>Fact sheets</li> <li>Mass media</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>University and extension</li> <li>Advocacy groups</li> <li>Municipalities</li> <li>Law enforcement/litter officers</li> <li>Volunteer groups</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Number of educational outreach materials distributed</li> <li>Number of litter campaigns/clean-ups</li> <li>Online views</li> </ul>

### **Action Items: Litter – Public locations**

- Develop and update additional outreach materials, including online resources
- Distribute rack cards and other educational outreach materials
- Organize and/or participate in litter clean-up events
- Participate in outreach events
- Participate in a Tarp-It campaign
- Organize and/or participate in storm drain marking events

## **Education Strategy: Sediment - Construction & Post-Construction Activities**

**Target Audience:** Contractors and permittees who install and maintain BMPs for erosion prevention and sediment control, students/faculty/staff on Clemson's campus

**Target Behavior:** Improperly installed and/or maintained BMPs contribute to erosion and sediment control issues, leading to erosion and offsite sediment impacts to surface waters.

**Goal:** Decrease erosion and sedimentation from construction and post-construction in Anderson & Pickens Counties, increase capacity of target audiences.

**Objective:** Provide education and outreach on BMPs for erosion prevention and sediment control in Anderson & Pickens Counties in a timely manner.

Message	Format and Distribution	Resources	Evaluation
<ul> <li>It is the law to properly maintain and install BMPs</li> <li>Save time and money by maintaining and installing BMPs properly</li> <li>BMPs can reduce our environmental footprint and provide community engagement</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Presentations/webinars</li> <li>Workshops</li> <li>Compliance course</li> <li>Certification courses</li> <li>Educational outreach materials</li> <li>Online trainings</li> <li>Service-learning &amp; experiential learning opportunities for student and staff with BMPs</li> <li>Mass media</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>SCASM</li> <li>Municipalities</li> <li>University/Extension</li> <li>Contractors and construction companies</li> <li>Regulatory Agencies</li> </ul>	<ul> <li># of certifications</li> <li># of course participants</li> <li># of participants attending workshops, presentations, and webinars</li> <li>qualitative evaluations</li> <li># of educational outreach materials distributed</li> <li># of participants for service-learning &amp; experiential learning opportunities</li> </ul>

### **Action Items: Sediment – Construction & Post-Construction**

- Host workshops, webinars, and presentations related to BMPs for construction and post-construction activities
- Continue certifying campus staff in MS4 Compliance Training which includes info on erosion prevention & sediment control
- Offer service-learning opportunities for BMP maintenance on campus
- Work with campus students to offer experiential learning opportunities for BMP maintenance and design to reduce erosion on campus
- Distribute lot erosion rack cards
- Continue offering support for CEPSCI and classes statewide
- Continue offering Post-Construction BMP Certification course
- Continue developing and launch SPEED (Stormwater Plan Education for Engineering Design) course with SCDHEC
- Continue offering support for CSPR and classes statewide
- Expand library of education and outreach materials for erosion prevention/sediment control

# **Education Strategy: Sediment - Residential Activities**

Target Audience: Residents, HOAs/POAs

**Target Behavior:** Residents with sediment issues who lack capacity to properly install and maintain BMPs, contributing to sediment in local waterways.

Goal: Decrease erosion, increase riparian buffers, increase capacity of target audiences in Anderson & Pickens Counties.

**Objective:** Provide education and outreach on residential BMPs within Anderson & Pickens Counties.

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Message	Format and Distribution	Resources	Evaluation						
<ul> <li>Erosion and sediment-laden stormwater runoff negatively impact our water health.</li> <li>BMPs can help protect properties from erosion.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Presentations/webinars</li> <li>Workshops</li> <li>Certification courses</li> <li>Educational outreach materials</li> <li>Online trainings</li> <li>Rain barrel sale</li> <li>Outreach events</li> <li>Factsheets</li> <li>Mass media</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Municipalities</li> <li>HOAs/POAs</li> <li>Advocacy Groups</li> <li>University/Extension</li> </ul>	<ul> <li># of certifications</li> <li># of course participants</li> <li># of participants attending workshops, presentations, and webinars</li> <li>qualitative evaluations</li> <li># of educational outreach materials distributed</li> <li># of rain barrels sold</li> <li>responses from CC statewide survey</li> <li>online views</li> </ul>						

### **Action Items: Sediment – Residential**

- Share "Water Management in the Home Landscape" information
- Conduct site visits for residents
- Provide 1-on-1 consultation for individuals via email, phone, in-person
- Host workshops, webinars, and presentations related to residential bmps, healthy landscaping, and erosion prevention
- Host rain barrel sale annually
- Promote Carolina Yards, Master Rain Gardener, Master Pond Manager, and Native Plant Studies programs to Anderson & Pickens residents
- Promote Stream Bank Repair program to Anderson & Pickens residents
- Offer Online Pond Management Short Course in the Upstate
- Distribute targeted rack cards to residents

Objective	Audience	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
S		<b>Develop &amp; Impleme</b> BMP workshops, we		ations		
	V		Implement MS4 Compliance T	raining for campus	staff	
	and Clemson campus and maintain BMPs		Develop & Implem Campus BMP servi		learning opportuni	ties
Provide education and outreach on BMPs for erosion	ontractors, permittees, and Clemson campu community who install and maintain BMPs	<b>Implement</b> Distribution of lot er	osion rack cards			Evaluate
prevention and sediment control	Contractors, permittees, community who install	Implement CEPSCI, CSPR and Po	st-Construction BM	P Certification cours	ses	Ú
	Contra	<b>Develop</b> SPEED course	Implement SPEED course			
		Develop & Impleme Education and outre				

bjective	Audience	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5		
			Implement "Water Manageme	ent in the Home Laı	ndscape" informatio	n		
					Implement Consultations on-de	mand		
	o As	<b>Develop &amp; Impleme</b> BMP workshops, we		ations				
Provide education and outreach on residential BMPs	Residents and HOAs/POAs	<b>Imple</b> Annua	<b>ment</b> al rain barrel sale			Evaluate		
	Reside	Reside	<b>Implement</b> Promotion of existing	ng topical Extension	programs			
		<b>Develop</b> Upstate Pond Mgt Short e-Course	Implement Upstate Pond Mgt Short e-Course					
		<b>Implement</b> Distribution of lot e	rosion rack cards					

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		Develop & Impleme Septic and Sewer presentations and w	Proposals	to present vhere appropriate		
Provide education and outreach on septic and sewer systems	Develop  Be Septic Safe Users window/mirror cling	Guide, Additio	o & Implement nal outreach materi ng online resources	als	rate	
	Septic and s	Implement Continued distribution	on of educational ou	treach materials		Evaluate
		Implement Follow-up calls to fin	nd and fix programs	including education	on resources and n	naintenance

Objective	Audience	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
	and commercial		Develop & Implementations webinars	and Proposals to	present ere appropriate	
Provide education and outreach on proper FOG disposal	Individuals who dispose of FOG both residential and commercial	Implement	online resources a	nent		Evaluate
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	Indiv			<b>a Implement</b> Practices Training Co	ourse for campus	

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			<b>Develop</b> Outreach material, in	ncluding online reso	urces				
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pra be pro	anagement actices and nefits of oper waste duction and	Builders, contractors, and commercial properties					Evaluate		
dis	sposal in ivate locations	contracto		Develop & Implement Signage for busine	nent esses and construction	on sites			
		Builders,							
					nent or construction and ed workshops and p				