

#### **5th Annual**

#### 2024 Shoreline Cleanup

### Sept 23-28, 2024

### **Summary Report**

as of November 16, 2024



Cleanup Sponsors:



Funding by:





#### Four Events during the week of September 23-28, 2024

- Seadrift Kickoff
- Matagorda Island WMA Gulf Beach
- Powderhorn State Park
- Saturday Main Event POC, Seadrift, Rockport, Port Lavaca, Matagorda

#### **Participation**

- 154 people-days
- 30 Boats
- 548 manhours

#### Results

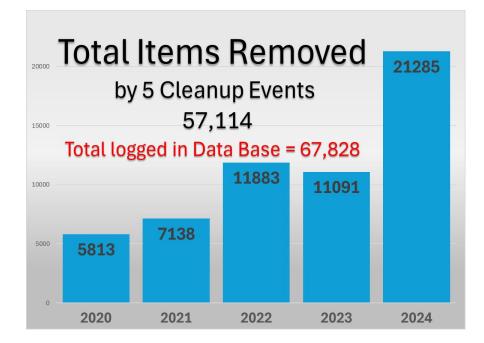
SABP's Marine Debris Removed											
	Cumulative	Sept 2024	Total								
Awful Preventable Five	<u>Aug-24</u>	<u>Cleanup</u>	Removed								
Plastic drink bottles	9626	8393	18019								
Aluminum cans	4386	836	5222								
Plastic bags	3723	1020	4743								
Plastic jugs or containers	1937	678	2615								
Drinking cups	1871	504	2375								
Other Notable Trash											
Shotgun shells	1507	1151	2658								
Fishing gear	1520	586	2106								
Crab trap float only	1598	342	1940								
Total Items Removed	46543	21285	67828								

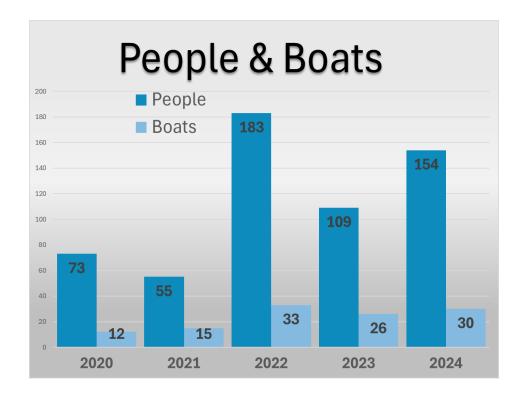
& logged into NOAA Marine Debris Tracker

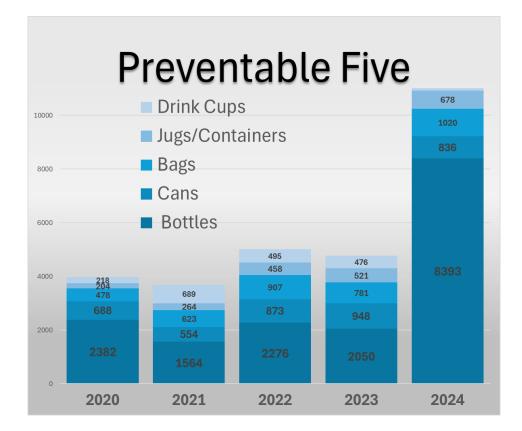
#### # Trash Removed

- o POC TPWD 1780# + 1860# = 3640#
- o Seadrift 1760#
- Rockport 2300# Conn Brown Harbor
- o Rockport 600# Goose Island State Park

Total 8,300# / 4.15 tons







# Take-Aways

- In 2024, participants reported the most trash, by count, removed. We logged over 21,000 items- weighing over 4 tons. (Note: Port Lavaca and Matagorda did not weigh trash.)
- Increased participation from last year 154 participant days and 30 boats.
- New areas cleaned:
  - Powderhorn State Park by HEB employee group. Superintendent Sarah Affeldt thanked the group and described plans for Park development.
  - First venture to Gulf Beach thanks to TPWD Wildlife's Patrick Ragusin for his logistical support. The beach is heavily trashed, so the crew focused on removing only drink bottles due to the logistics; removed 5350 bottles. Less than 2 miles were attacked. Would like to do it again!
  - Audubon's Chester Island rookery with Warden Tim Wilkinson.
- 3043 plastic drink bottles were removed from the bay shorelines -- up 50% from last year's 2050 bottles.
- Cumulatively, SABP's Shorelines Cleanups has removed and logged over 57,000 items during its five years. Allan has entered this year's total into SABP's NOAA Marine Debris Tracker project.
- Another 10,700 items have been removed / logged by people who leave the bay cleaner—bringing the total trash removed to nearly 68,000 items.
- First time '**Celebrating a Cleaner Bay**' in the evening after Saturday's main event: great shrimp from Cathy's, wine from Gulf Breeze, plus an interesting and informative presentation from Harte Research Institute's Jace Tunnell.
- Thanks to all who participated. The Bays are cleaner and healthier because you care!
- We are not done yet: SABP will participate in a State-wide Cleanup in May with the Gulf of Mexico Trust. The details of our target are being developed. It will likely be focused on a single area. See Executive Director Jay Kleberg and wife Chrissy's documentary 'Chasing the Tide' at <a href="https://chasingthetideseries.com/">https://chasingthetideseries.com/</a> about their recent hike of the Texas Gulf Coast. This statewide initiative will increase awareness of plastic pollution and what can be done to address it.

#### Work to do:

- If you don't see your team included on page 19, your trash was not counted. Will work harder to collect the data sheets next year. It is important to our outreach and education efforts.
- See photos of Bay RATs in action starting on page 7.
- Allan and Brigid piloted an app to improve measurement of shorelines cleaned. It was cumbersome. Will suggest modifications to improve effectiveness for next year.
- We plan an anti-litter program for the bay and local communities (Seadrift & POC) it is just starting.
- Leave the Bay Cleaner!
- Join the Bay R.A.T. Bucket Brigade:



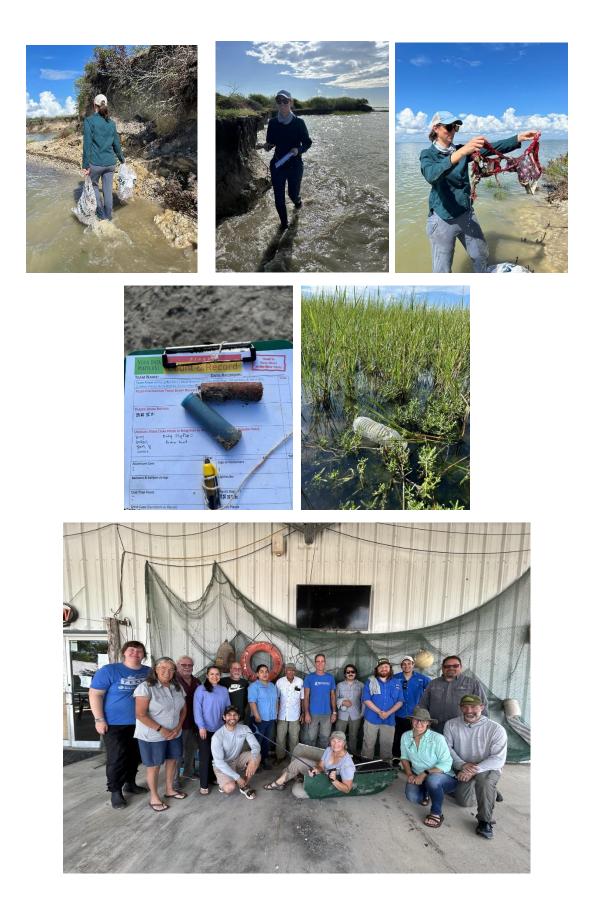
Contact <u>AllanRBerger@outlook.com</u> to get your Bucket.

# **Bay RATs in Action!**

































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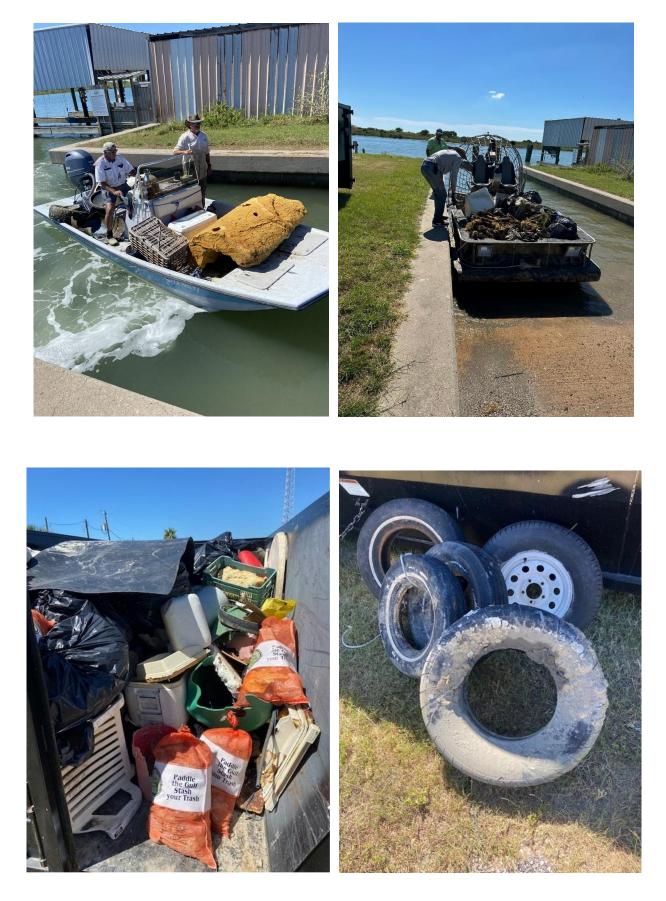






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	Earth Wise Collective UHV	4	137	0	14	0	0	1	4	8	5	9	4	1	2	218	2	28	8	87	528	5	15	1
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