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Ouachita Water Sweep seeks volunteers for debris pickup Oct. 20

BATON ROUGE – A “water sweep” to rid the Ouachita River of trash and debris will be held Saturday, Oct. 20 from 9:00 a.m. to noon at various points along the Ouachita basin. The award winning event encourages citizens to take pride in the scenic Ouachita and remove litter and debris from the waterway.

Staging sites will be at several locations in and around the Monroe area – to include the Sterlington Recreation Area, Lazzarre Park, Forsythe Park, Moon Lake Recreation Area, Bawcomville Recreation Area, Black Bayou Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Darbonne National Wildlife Refuge, University of Louisiana at Monroe/Bayou Desaird.

Volunteers are needed for a few hours in the morning, including boaters who can provide transportation for the volunteers to conduct shoreline trash pickups.

Citizens seeking to organize a cleanup in another waterway in Ouachita Parish are encouraged to contact the organizers.

Volunteers can pre-register online or sign-up at any staging location the day of the event. Pre-registered participants will receive a free t-shirt, while supplies last.

For more information, visit: www.watersweep.org