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## Commissioner Buckingham Announces Results of 2024 Adopt-A-Beach Coastwide Spring Cleanup

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AUSTIN — Today, Texas Land Commissioner Dawn Buckingham, M.D. announced the results of the 2024 Adopt-A-Beach Coastwide Spring Cleanup on Saturday, April 20, 2024. This year, 5,483 volunteers participated in the cleanup to help keep Texas beaches beautiful by removing 59,040 pounds of trash from the coast.

"As Land Commissioner and a Texan who lived on the Texas coast for over a decade, preserving our beautiful coastline and vital habitats is a mission near and dear to my heart," said Commissioner Buckingham. "The GLO's Adopt-A-Beach cleanups are a crucial part of this mission. During this year's Adopt-A-Beach Coastwide Spring Cleanup, over 5,400 incredible volunteers picked up 29.5 tons of trash across the Texas coast. I look forward to the continued growth of this essential program as we work to preserve our beaches for recreational use and protect coastal habitats for the wildlife that calls them home."



2024 Adopt-A-Beach Coastwide Spring Cleanup, Texas Land Commissioner Dawn Buckingham, M.D

This year's sponsors include the U.S. Department of Commerce's National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, The Ocean Conservancy, Valero, ExxonMobil, the Texas Coastal Management Program, Flint Hills, Wild Spirit Wild Places, MTC Management & Training Program, SESCO Cement, and SLB.



2024 Adopt-A-Beach Coastwide Spring Cleanup

The next Adopt-A-Beach cleanup is set for September 28, 2024. To stay up-to-date on upcoming Adopt-A-Beach events, sign up for the Adopt-A-Beach <u>newsletter</u> and follow us on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>X</u>, and <u>Instagram</u>.



2024 Adopt-A-Beach Coastwide Spring Cleanup

The Adopt-A-Beach program began in the fall of 1986 when 2,800 volunteers picked up 124 tons of trash. Since then, over 580,000 Texas Adopt-A-Beach volunteers have picked up nearly 10,000 tons of trash from Texas beaches.