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GLO Coastal Bend Winter Beach Cleanup Feb. 13th

Seven beaches targeted for trash pick up

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AUSTIN — Texas Land Commissioner George P. Bush is calling on volunteers for the 12th Annual Winter Beach Cleanup Saturday, Feb. 13 at seven Coastal Bend beaches. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. The cleanup will take place from 9 a.m. to noon.

The locations participating in the Winter Beach Cleanup are:

- Rockport - Check-in is at Rockport Beach Park pavilion. Contact Kerry Goodall at 361-729-6661 or via e-mail at kerry.goodall@texasadoptabeach.org.
- Aransas Pass/Redfish Bay - Check-in is at Lighthouse Lakes Park, four miles east of Aransas Pass on Highway 361. Contact Richard Gonzales at 361-779-7351 or via e-mail at richard.gonzales@texasadoptabeach.org.
- Port Aransas - Check-in is at Avenue G at the beach. Contact Deno Fabrie at 361-749-0256 or via e-mail at deno.fabrie@texasadoptabeach.org
- Packery Flats - Check-in is at the parking lot off Highway 361 near Packery Channel. Contact Uma Venkat at 361-882-3439 or via e-mail at uma.venkat@texasadoptabeach.org.
- North Corpus Christi Beach - Check-in is at the Texas State Aquarium, 2710 N. Shoreline Blvd. Contact Rosanna Gossett at 361-881-1204 or via e-mail at rosanna.gossett@texasadoptabeach.org.
- Kid's Place at Cole Park - Check-in is at 1526 Ocean Drive, contact Chelsea Craig at 361-946-3996 or via e-mail at chelsea.craig@texasadoptabeach.org.
- Padre Island National Seashore - Check in at the Malaquite Visitor Center, 20420 Park Road 22, contact Buzz Botts at 361-949-8068 or via e-mail at buzz.botts@texasadoptabeach.org.

The Winter Beach Cleanup is one of three all-volunteer seasonal cleanups coordinated through the Adopt-A-Beach program of the Texas General Land Office.

Most trash found on Texas beaches is left there by litterbugs. Since 1986, Adopt-A-Beach volunteers have picked up 9,200 tons of trash, which is the equivalent to the weight of 44 blue whales, making it one of the most successful volunteer programs in the nation. Volunteers record data on the trash to learn more about the causes of marine debris and to help mitigate pollution along Texas' 367 miles of coastline.

The Texas General Land Office's Adopt-A-Beach program is funded primarily by private contributions. To help out, or for more information, call the Adopt-A-Beach program at 1-877-TXCOAST or visit our website at www.texasadoptabeach.org.

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