



Black Warrior RIVERKEEPER®



Successful Settlement in Shannon Mine Water Pollution Lawsuit

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Good news for people and wildlife along Valley Creek and Bankhead Lake! We have settled our lawsuit over water pollution violations at the Shannon Mine. The surface coal mine run by Shannon, LLC, a subsidiary of Drummond, operates in Jefferson and Tuscaloosa counties within the upper Black Warrior basin. The alleged violations affect the waters of Blue Creek and Little Blue Creek as well as unnamed tributaries, all of which flow into Valley Creek upstream of Bankhead Lake on the Black Warrior River. Both parties filed a proposed settlement decree with the court and gained approval from the U. S. Department of Justice.

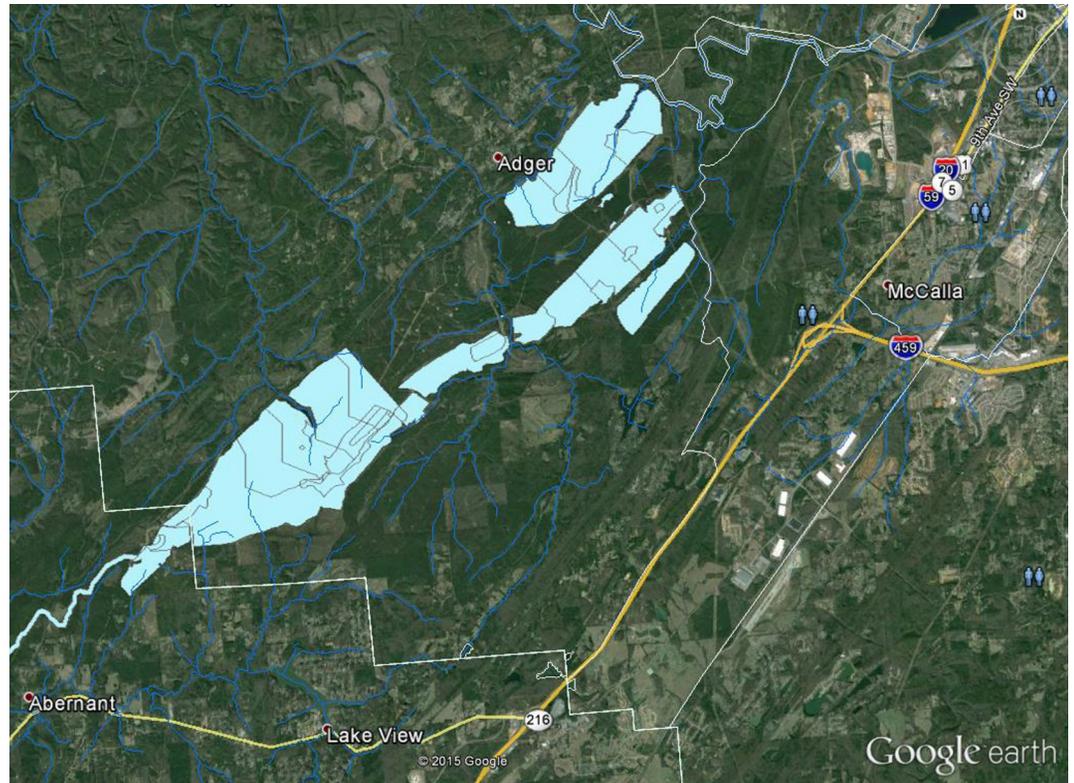


Aerial photo of mountaintop removal coal mining at Shannon Mine.

We filed the lawsuit in 2013 alleging violations of Shannon Mine’s National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit (discharging water with excessive concentrations of selenium, iron and total suspended solids), failing to properly maintain a surface water impoundment (causing seeps which we contend are unpermitted discharge points), and failure to comply with regulations requiring mines to maintain a vegetated buffer of at least 100 feet between mining activities and streams.

The settlement achieves several goals. First, Shannon Mine is working to address the issues underlying its pollution violations. As a part of remediation, they engineered a constructed wetland to treat selenium, the primary pollutant of concern released by the mine. Second, Shannon has agreed to allow an impartial survey of the stream buffer and has committed to restoring the buffer if the survey indicates any encroachment into the buffer zone. Third, Shannon will fund a \$70,000 Supplemental Environmental Project on Valley Creek with the Freshwater Land Trust, a nonprofit land conservation organization, as well as paying a portion of our attorneys’ fees and case costs.

“This settlement is excellent for so many people who fish, boat, swim, and live along Valley Creek and Bankhead Lake,” said Sherman Engler, President of the Alabama Fisherman’s and Hunters Association. “We appreciate Black Warrior Riverkeeper working constructively with companies to fix pollution problems so that everyone can enjoy these valuable water resources.”



Map of the 6,321-acre, 600-ft deep Shannon Mine (blue) in Jefferson and Tuscaloosa Counties.

Update on Alabama's Forever Wild Program: Big Win, Stay Vigilant

Created in 1992 by a constitutional referendum that garnered 83% of the vote, Forever Wild is a program dedicated to preserving Alabama's most beautiful and environmentally sensitive land, all while expanding the recreational opportunities available to the public. Without raising taxes, the program protects land for recreation, hunting, and fishing. Forever Wild is one of the most popular conservation programs in the state's history, and was renewed for another 20 years in 2012 by an overwhelming majority of voters.

Black Warrior Riverkeeper is a proud member of Alabamians for Forever Wild, a diverse coalition of conservation, environmental, hunting and angling, outdoor recreation, and business entities across Alabama that have come together in support of Forever Wild funding. We are grateful for the work Forever Wild has done to secure public lands for outdoor recreation for our citizens, the ecological integrity of Alabama's landscape, as well as the flow of outdoor recreation and tourism dollars to local communities.

Alabamians were blindsided by a sneak attack on Forever Wild during the special legislative session of August 2015. Sen. Clay Scofield (R-Arab) introduced Senate Bill 38, which would effectively end Forever Wild by transferring its budget to the state parks system and prohibiting Forever Wild from acquiring any more land. The surprise bill passed the State Senate by an astonishing vote of 32-1.

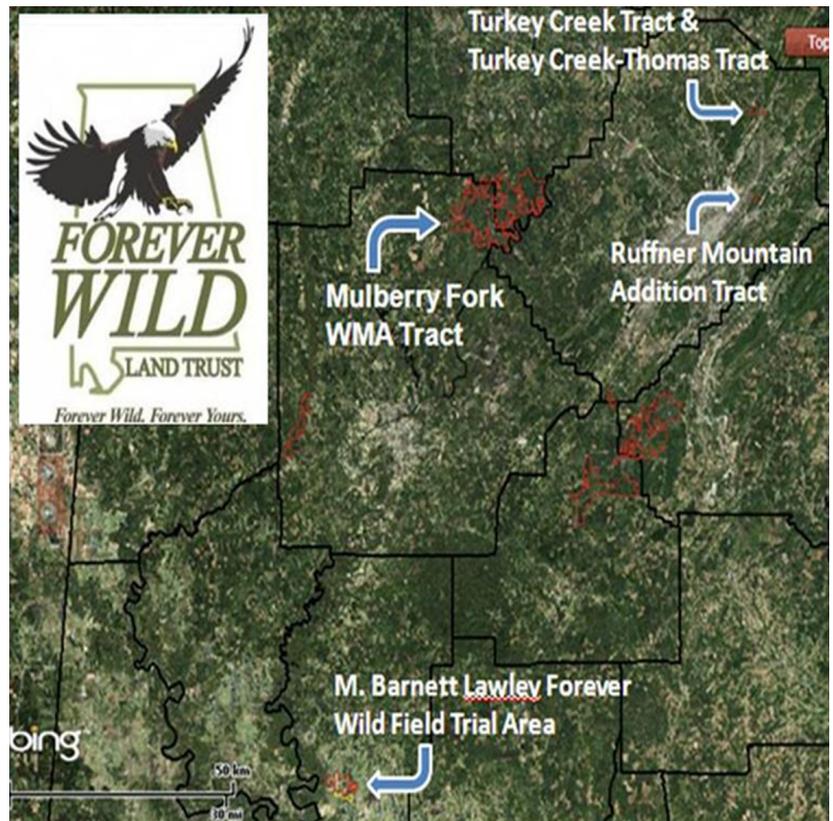
When our partners at Conservation Alabama saw how quickly SB 38 passed the Senate, they created a user-friendly online action alert to help citizens across Alabama tell the House Ways & Means Committee, as well as all House members, that SB 38 had to be stopped before it could potentially win a fast vote in the House as it had in the Senate on the previous day.

Alabama Rivers Alliance, Black Warrior Riverkeeper, Cahaba River Society, Waterkeeper organizations all over the state, and many other concerned groups and citizens quickly shared the alert through email and social media. Cecil Hurt, Sports Editor for *The Tuscaloosa News* and a Black Warrior Riverkeeper member, repeatedly encouraged 68,000 Twitter followers to support Forever Wild. Countless citizens' rapid messages to legislators stated that SB 38 must be stopped.

The Ways & Means Committee heard the people loud and clear, and postponed a vote on SB 38 to allow time for citizens to voice their opinions. Our partners at the Freshwater Land Trust, the Nature Conservancy, and WildSouth spoke out through the media or at the Capitol. Rep. Randy Davis (R-Daphne) and Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Commissioner Gunter Guy spoke against the bill. Commissioner Guy made it clear that SB 38 would not solve the state parks' budget problem, and that he does not favor removing Forever Wild funding.

Facing a deluge of widespread public opposition that surfaced as quickly as SB 38, Sen. Scofield held a press conference just one day after his bill passed the State Senate 32-1. In a dramatic reversal, Sen. Scofield announced he was recommending no action be taken on his controversial bill.

Many thanks to all the groups and citizens who mobilized so quickly to assert that a sneak attack on Forever Wild is unacceptable. Stay vigilant!



Forever Wild in the Black Warrior basin: Mulberry Fork Wildlife Management Area, M. Barnett Lawley Forever Wild Field Trial Area, Turkey Creek Tract, Turkey Creek-Thomas Tract, and the Ruffner Mountain Addition Tract.



Over 100,000 visitors annually enjoy Turkey Creek Nature Preserve, a Forever Wild property in Pinson. Turkey Creek is home to three endangered fish species: the Vermilion Darter (which lives nowhere else in the world), the Watercress Darter, and the Rush Darter. Photo by Nelson Brooke.

Update on the Shepherd Bend Mine Proposal: Big Win, Stay Vigilant

It all started in 2007 when the University of Alabama (UA) Board of Trustees issued a request for proposals to coal mining companies interested in strip mining on UA property within Shepherd Bend, a large bend along the Mulberry Fork of the Black Warrior River in Walker County. Concerned citizens took notice and informed Black Warrior Riverkeeper. Not long after, students within the UA System began to organize along with local citizens to stand up against the proposed 1,773-acre Shepherd Bend Mine.

The Shepherd Bend portion of the river happens to be home to many people — people who love the river and their peaceful way of life along it. This Mulberry Fork also is a major municipal drinking water source for the greater Birmingham area. The Birmingham Water Works Board's Mulberry Intake provides daily drinking water to 200,000 people.

In 2008, despite widespread public opposition, a subsidiary of Drummond Company received a permit from the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) to discharge the proposed coal mine's polluted water out of 29 points into the Mulberry Fork and its tributaries. 10 of these points are upstream of the Mulberry Intake, which is situated just across the river from Shepherd Bend.

Black Warrior Riverkeeper, represented by the Southern Environmental Law Center, appealed ADEM's Clean Water Act permit, but unfortunately the courts allowed it to stand. Despite rising public pressure to derail this ill-conceived coal mine proposal, in 2010 the Alabama Surface Mining Commission (ASMC) issued a strip mining permit to Shepherd Bend, LLC. The Birmingham Water Works Board appealed the ASMC permit, knowing it would be an expensive and difficult battle.

Having the two mandatory permits, there was only one obstacle preventing Drummond from mining: UA is the main surface and mineral rights owner at Shepherd Bend, and had yet to lease rights over to Drummond.

Black Warrior Riverkeeper's campaign — along with tireless efforts by citizens, students, nonprofits, businesses, churches, and city leaders — to stop Shepherd Bend Mine persisted with public education and media coverage for over 8 years. That continuous pressure on the UA System Trustees kept them from ever taking a stance on Shepherd Bend Mine. And it kept Shepherd Bend Mine from becoming a reality. On June 19, 2015 Drummond issued a press release stating they would no longer pursue mining at Shepherd Bend.



A unique coalition of students, scientists, clergy, urban Birmingham residents, and rural Walker County citizens protested the Shepherd Bend Mine proposal at many gatherings such as this one at UAB. Photo by Nelson Brooke.

Because Drummond's press release lacked detail and clarity, we quickly requested specifics from the two Alabama agencies involved in coal mine permitting: ADEM, which issues wastewater discharge permits, and the ASMC, which issues mining permits.

ADEM told us that they received a letter from Drummond on June 30 requesting voluntary termination of the extended wastewater discharge permit and withdrawal of the application for reissuance. ASMC told us that the mining permit expires on or about October 15, 2015, and that the company has informed them that it does not intend to renew this permit.

This is all excellent news, but we know another mining proposal in the future is possible without UA promising they will never sell or lease their land or mineral rights for coal mining at Shepherd Bend. Black Warrior Riverkeeper will remain vigilant, opposing any mining proposals at Shepherd Bend until the main property owner there, UA, finally decides to protect the property in perpetuity. If Drummond or any other company ever shows interest in mining at Shepherd Bend, Black Warrior Riverkeeper and our allies will mount the same opposition as we did before, except with far greater knowledge, resources, and partnerships than we had when the controversy started.

Black Warrior Riverkeeper deeply appreciates our many partners on this issue, and asks that they continue to help us grow the Shepherd Bend Mine Opposition Coalition. This coalition's main charge now is to encourage the UA System Trustees to pledge future protection of their land at Shepherd Bend, for the sake of a key Birmingham drinking water source. To learn more, visit this frequently updated Shepherd Bend Mine webpage: BlackWarriorRiver.org/ShepherdBendMine.

This hard-fought battle, and a big win amidst much doubt that such a proposal could ever be stopped in Alabama, gives credence to the importance of citizen advocacy. This story is an example of how, if we come together as strangers, neighbors, and communities, we can stand up for the truth with confidence and success. Standing up for our water, air, and land is patriotic, and it is our right. It is our duty to protect Alabama's natural heritage and to leave this magnificent state in better condition for future generations to enjoy and prosper.

“Save the Black Warrior” with SweetWater Brewing Company

From July 3 through Labor Day, SweetWater Brewing Company’s annual “Save Our Water” campaign encourages folks to “give of their liver to save the river” in a multifaceted fundraising effort for Waterkeeper Alliance. Funds and awareness are generated by purchases of “Save Our Water” shirts and signature-ready “fundraising fish” at participating restaurants, bars and retail accounts across SweetWater’s distribution footprint. Patrons may visit WaterkeeperBrew.org to donate online and learn about the projects their dollars will fund in their local communities.

In Tuscaloosa, Black Warrior Riverkeeper protects the Black Warrior River and Lake Tuscaloosa, the city’s drinking water source. Scott Smith of Supreme Beverage Company and Kristen Ellis of The University of Alabama’s public relations program help run Tuscaloosa’s “Save Our Water” program, which is called “Save the Black Warrior” locally. Mountain High Outfitters will donate prizes to bartenders and servers who raise the most money for Black Warrior Riverkeeper at each of the 20 participating businesses.

“Our ‘Save the Black Warrior’ partnership with SweetWater has raised over \$68,000 since 2008 for the Black Warrior River watershed,” said Charles Scribner, Executive Director of Black Warrior Riverkeeper. “We are so grateful to have 20 Tuscaloosa businesses raising money and awareness for local waterways all summer long.”

Tuscaloosa-area locations include: Alcove, Buffalo Phil’s, Buffalo Wild Wings, CopperTop, Corks and Tops, Cypress Inn, Downtown Pub, Egan’s, Houndstooth, Gray Lady, Green Bar, Innisfree, Levee Bar & Grill, Loosa Brews, Mellow Mushroom, Moe’s BBQ, Rounders, Southern Ale House, Wilhagan’s, 15th St Texaco, and 1831.

Supporting the conservation of some of the nation’s most threatened rivers, streams and coastlines is a cause near and dear to the brewery, as clean water is also vital to the creation of their tasty brews. SweetWater founded the “Save Our Water” program in 2006 with its local Chattahoochee Riverkeeper in Atlanta, and efforts grew larger as the brewery did. Since the inception of the program, SweetWater has helped raise more than \$600,000 for the cause, with \$100,000 raised in 2014 alone.

In 2011 SweetWater launched Waterkeeper® Hefeweizen, a beer with a cause, helping to spread the campaign’s mission right on the beer label. Now, as part of their seasonal Catch & Release line-up, the unfiltered brew made its return to shelves and draft taps earlier this June.

Waterkeeper Alliance is a global movement uniting hundreds of Waterkeeper organizations and focusing citizen advocacy on the issues that affect our waterways. Waterkeepers patrol and protect more than 1.5 million square miles of rivers, streams and coastlines in the Americas, Europe, Australia, Asia and Africa. Waterkeeper Alliance was founded in 1999 by veteran Waterkeepers and Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. to insure our global waterways are swimmable, drinkable and fishable. Learn more at Waterkeeper.org.

SweetWater Brewing Company is an Atlanta-based craft brewery following the motto “Don’t Float the Mainstream!” SweetWater’s brews are unpasteurized and designed to be consumed fresh so distribution is limited to the Southeast. SweetWater has tours every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 5:30-7:30 p.m., and Saturdays and Sundays from 1:30-4:30 p.m. Learn more at SweetWaterBrew.com.



Board Member Bio: Cindy Martin

Cindy Martin is an entrepreneur, digital pioneer and nature lover. Sunday afternoon walks in the woods with her Dad are one of Cindy's happiest childhood memories. Searching for frogs and minnows in the creek and cutting honeysuckle for her Mother brought her joy. Cindy loved being around animals and had hundreds of pets including the typical; dogs, cats, fish and birds as well as the atypical; chickens, ducks, turtles, lizards, a billy goat, an opossum, and cared for many injured wild animals.

Presently, Cindy and her husband, Cliff, are land stewards of native Alabama woodlands that surround a tributary to the Coosa River. Being surrounded by nature has ignited Cindy's interest in protecting forests, streams and river habitats.

In addition to serving on the board of Black Warrior Riverkeeper, Cindy is a second term Trustee of The Nature Conservancy, Alabama Chapter, a former board member of the Cahaba River Society and a member of Birmingham's Downtown Rotary. She is a registered water tester with the Alabama Water Watch. Cindy has launched an effort to increase global awareness of the benefits of free-flowing rivers called *Let Rivers Flow* (LetRiversFlow.com).

Formerly, Cindy was President of Alabama Media Group, including *The Birmingham News*, *The Huntsville Times* and Mobile's *Press Register*, *Birmingham Magazine* and was founder/CEO of AL.com. Cindy earned a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering and an MBA from the University of Alabama. Cindy is a native of Bessemer and lives in Birmingham with her husband Cliff and her two cats, Grey and Blue.

View other Board members' bios at BlackWarriorRiver.org/board.



UA Student Earns Elite Grant to Work at Black Warrior RIVERKEEPER®



Kristen Ellis, a native of Letohatchee, Ala., has received a grant from the Curtis and Edith Munson Foundation to work with Black Warrior Riverkeeper. Ellis, a senior majoring in public relations at The University of Alabama (UA), is working as a communications intern for the group throughout the summer. This grant is the highest honor that the College of Communication and Information Sciences bestows on a student. Located near the Black Warrior River, UA's nationally ranked public relations program has won many awards in recent years.

"It's a huge honor to work with an organization like Black Warrior Riverkeeper that has such a great impact on my home state and is dedicated to preserving its natural beauty," said Ellis. "Being able to craft public relations strategies for an organization with such far-reaching influence is allowing me to apply what I've learned in the classroom and to stretch the limits of what I can really do."

American Rivers, a national organization, selected the Black Warrior as one of America's Most Endangered Rivers due to the Shepherd Bend Mine proposal, which would be built on property primarily owned by UA. The proposed coal mine site is directly across the river from a Birmingham Water Works intake that supplies tap water to 200,000 people. Since 2007, Black Warrior Riverkeeper and a growing coalition of over 150 groups have urged UA to stop the proposal and thus protect not only the river but also the people that would be impacted by polluted tap water and higher water bills.

Black Warrior Riverkeeper has steadily forged many positive partnerships with groups at UA, including the Alabama Panhellenic Association, UA Center for Sustainable Service & Volunteerism, UA Center for Ethics and Social Responsibility, UA Department of Advertising and Public Relations, UA Environmental Council, UA Environmental Law Society, UA Museums, UA NAACP and numerous UA professors, students, employees and alumni. 542 volunteers generously donated 6,898 community service hours through Black Warrior Riverkeeper projects last year. The vast majority of them were UA students.

The Curtis and Edith Munson Foundation funds the conservation of natural resources in North America and the Caribbean Basin with emphasis on the United States. The relationship between the Curtis and Edith Munson Foundation, UA, and Black Warrior Riverkeeper will benefit over a million people living throughout the Black Warrior River watershed, in addition to countless visitors.

"We are so grateful that the Curtis and Edith Munson Foundation supports our exciting partnership with The University of Alabama's nationally ranked PR program," said Charles Scribner, Executive Director of Black Warrior Riverkeeper.

"In addition to providing financial support directly to conservation organizations, the Munson Foundation developed a partnership with the Department of Advertising and Public Relations at The University of Alabama," said Dr. Joseph Phelps, chairman of the department. "The student receives the financial support and excellent experience, and the nonprofit organizations benefit from the student's efforts in an area that they typically do not have the funds to staff on a full-time basis."

Black Warrior RIVERKEEPER® Patrol Log

December 18: Patrolled Lost Creek in Walker County with local bass fisherman Larry Lakey to check out strip mines along the creek. While we were next to the Reeses Branch Mine No. 2, a blast went off at the mine without adequate safety warning. Sadly, this same thing happened to Larry and his son Ben a year earlier.

January 5: After receiving a citizen complaint, patrolled a water pipeline construction project along Highway 160 near Hayden and documented poor erosion control practices. Muddy water runoff from the project was polluting the Locust Fork.

January 28: Took Professor Betsy Dobbins out to Shepherd Bend to perform her regular background water quality analysis.

February 6: Patrolled the Oliver Pool in Tuscaloosa to look for anything amiss along the river between Oliver Dam (downstream) and Holt Dam (upstream).

February 11: Patrolled the Mulberry Fork with students doing coal-related science projects. We sampled water coming from coal mines.

March 11: Patrolled East Walker County WWTP and Sumiton Lagoon with John Kinney, our Enforcement Coordinator. We found an illegal pipe discharging sewage into Horse Creek at East Walker and yellow-green water being discharged into the Mulberry Fork of the Black Warrior River at Sumiton.

March 23: Investigating a citizen complaint, patrolled Pineview Sanitary Landfill and its discharges of polluted water into Burnt Cane Creek in Walker County with Adam Johnston of Alabama Rivers Alliance and John Kinney.

March 30: Patrolled the Oliver Pool in Tuscaloosa with John Wathen, Hurricane Creekkeeper, and found a City of Tuscaloosa WWTP wastewater pipe spilling industrial chemicals next to the river by the Merichem chemical plant. I promptly reported this spill to the city and they corrected it.

April 10: Patrolled the Northern Beltline construction site after a big rain, and checked downstream of the project on Self Creek, which I found to be full of muddy water.

May 5: Patrolled Daniel Creek in Tuscaloosa County with John Kinney to document awful coal mining and washing pollution flowing into the creek from Battle Springs Branch, which drains the Kellerman area. Daniel Creek was stained bright orange downstream, all the way to the river.

May 7: Took part in a crayfish survey of vernal pools and wetlands in the Moundville area with Michael Kendrick from UA and Rebecca Bearden with the Geological Survey of Alabama. We found a very rare crayfish – the vernal crayfish (*Procambarus viaeviridis*), and this was the first find of this species in Hale County.

May 30: Filled the Riverkeeper patrol boat up with other people's trash at the annual Bankhead Lake Cleanup on the river along with volunteer extraordinaire Ken Michallick and his family.

June 4: Patrolled Valley Creek by canoe with Kim Waites of Wild South to check on Birmingham Hide & Tallow's operation. We found BHT discharging out of both their discharge pipes into the creek. One of their discharges was particularly gross – brown and stinky.

June 29: Patrolled the Locust Fork with professor Betsy Dobbins and Ray, her student. They sampled water pollution coming from abandoned and active coal mines.

July 3: Checked on Cottonwood Creek in Uniontown downstream of Southeastern Cheese's wastewater sprayfield and City of Uniontown's wastewater lagoon. These two operations have been polluting the creek for some time, fouling the water and creating a nuisance for local property owners.

July 4: Patrolled Self Creek downstream of the Northern Beltline construction site after a big rain, and found it flowing muddy.

July 22&24: Inspected train trestles crossing the river and its tributaries with John Wathen. We documented the condition of bridges and the tracks they support to ascertain whether or not they need maintenance. We're concerned about the M&O Railroad wooden & steel truss bridge over the river from Northport to Tuscaloosa, which carries heavy and explosive crude oil cars — a “bomb train” (#Bombtrain). Built in 1898, the bridge is rusted badly and missing wooden cross-braces.

August 13: After receiving a citizen complaint, patrolled an illegal trash dump site on Narrows Road along Gurley Creek in Blount County with David Butler, the new Cahaba Riverkeeper.

August 14: Participated in the Alabama Rivers Alliance's annual “Defend Rivers” (#DefendRivers) paddle on the Alabama River in Montgomery to raise awareness about the need for better river protection in Alabama.



Self Creek runs muddy below the Northern Beltline.
Photo by Nelson Brooke.



Sumiton Lagoon's yellow wastewater enters the river.
Photo by Nelson Brooke.



Daniel Creek stained orange by coal mine pollution.
Photo by Nelson Brooke.



M&O Railroad Bridge over the river in Tuscaloosa.
Photo by Nelson Brooke.

Black Warrior RIVERKEEPER® Membership / Donation Form

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About Black Warrior RIVERKEEPER®

Black Warrior Riverkeeper's mission is to protect and restore the Black Warrior River and its tributaries. We are a citizen-based nonprofit dedicated to improving water quality, wildlife habitat, recreation, and public health in our patrol area, the Black Warrior River watershed. This basin is contained entirely in Alabama, America's leading state for freshwater biodiversity.

Our staff is Nelson Brooke (Riverkeeper), Eva Dillard (Staff Attorney), John Kinney (Enforcement Coordinator), and Charles Scribner (Executive Director). Please call us at (205) 458-0095 or email info@blackwarriorriver.org to report pollution or to discuss how you can help. Learn more about us and the watershed at BlackWarriorRiver.org.

We are proud members of the Alabama Association of Nonprofits, Alabama Rivers Alliance, GuideStar Exchange (Gold), River Network, and Waterkeeper Alliance. Other Alabama Waterkeepers include Cahaba Riverkeeper, Choctawhatchee Riverkeeper, Coosa Riverkeeper, Hurricane Creekkeeper, Little River Waterkeeper, Mobile Baykeeper, and Tennessee Riverkeeper. Learn more about Waterkeeper Alliance at Waterkeeper.org.

Our Patrol Boat at the Riverview Boat Launch on the Black Warrior River's Oliver Pool in Tuscaloosa.

Photo by Nelson Brooke.



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New Black Warrior RIVERKEEPER® Shirts for Babies and Toddlers



Photo by Hawley Schneider.

The stork has delivered our new Black Warrior Riverkeeper t-shirts for babies and toddlers! As photographed here by Hawley Schneider Photography, (HawleySchneider.com), the shirts are white with a big Black Warrior Riverkeeper logo centered on the front. Current sizes are 2T for 1-2 year old warriors, 3T, 4T, and Youth XS for 2-4 year olds. The shirts cost \$15, plus \$5 shipping. This price already includes sales tax. Kids not included.

To purchase these shirts and other items (long or short-sleeve shirts, stickers, front bumper tags, dock signs, hunting gear, hats), visit BlackWarriorRiver.org/shop or contact Charles Scribner at 205-458-0095 or info@blackwarriorriver.org. Proceeds support our clean water advocacy across the 17-county Black Warrior River basin.

Black Warrior RIVERKEEPER® Events

September 10, 6pm-9pm: *Southern Exposure Films Screening* at **The Altamont School** (4801 Altamont Rd S, Birmingham, AL 35222).

September 15, 8pm-10pm: *Farm to Table Dinner* for Black Warrior Riverkeeper and Hurricane Creekkeeper at **Epiphany** (519 Greensboro Ave, Tuscaloosa, AL 35401).

October 2, 5pm-8pm: *Party on the Porch* for Black Warrior Riverkeeper at **Alabama Outdoors** (3054 Independence Dr, Homewood, AL 35209).

October 17, 10am-9pm: *Fall Orvis Days* with Black Warrior Riverkeeper booth at the **Birmingham Orvis** store (305 Summit Blvd, Birmingham, AL 35243).

November 17, 5pm-10pm: *Giving Tuesday* for Black Warrior Riverkeeper at **Rojo** (2921 Highland Ave S, Birmingham, AL 35205).

For more details about these and other upcoming events, contact Charles Scribner at 205-458-0095 or info@blackwarriorriver.org.