



Eclipse Sunset from a Congaree River Sandbar, Photo by Sara McGregor

Congaree Riverkeeper works to protect and improve water quality, wildlife habitat, and recreation on the Congaree, Lower Saluda and Lower Broad Rivers through advocacy, education and enforcement of environmental laws.

## River Watch

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A big thanks to Jake Howard and [Saluda Valley Guides](#) for auctioning off an epic eclipse fishing trip and donating a portion of the proceeds to Congaree Riverkeeper.

Have you seen the latest water quality results for the Lower Saluda and Congaree

### River Sweep is Coming Up

Saturday, September 16th is River Sweep; a statewide effort to cleanup South Carolina's rivers, creeks, lakes, and swamps. Each year hundreds of volunteers work to remove thousands of pounds of trash and debris from our waterways. [Learn more on the website here.](#)

Want to get involved? You can [join a cleanup that has already been set up](#) (like [KMB's](#) on the Lower Saluda) or you can [organize your own cleanup](#).

Want to organize a cleanup but don't know where to go? Contact us and we can help you pick a site and work through some of the other logistics of planning a cleanup.

Saturday the 16th is a busy day (there's [Do Good Columbia, Summer Celebration of Water](#), and the [Gamecock Football Home Opener](#)) so you can always schedule your cleanup for the next day, a weekday evening, or even the following weekend.

Rivers? Check out [howmyscriver.org](http://howmyscriver.org) for weekly sample results and water quality alerts.

Good news... SCDOT has eliminated the East-West Connector options, which would have had significant impacts on the Lower Saluda River, from the [Carolina Crossroads alternatives](#). [Read the letter where they announced the decision here](#). SCDOT will announce their preferred alternatives on Sept. 5th.



## Job Opportunity: Development Coordinator

Do you want to join the Congaree Riverkeeper team and help us work to protect our rivers? We're looking to hire a someone to assist with fundraising, membership coordination, and volunteer programs. [Learn more about the position and how to apply on our website.](#)



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