

GEORGIA RECYCLING COALITION MONTHLY NEWSLETTER - JUNE 2025



Save the date for the Georgia Recycling Coalition 34th Annual Conference. As we look toward Shaping the Future, we recognize how innovation, technology and policy impede the disruption caused by internal and external forces attempting to block progress and resilience. Registration opens in mid-June!

Call for Presentations Open!

GRC is now accepting presentation submissions. We invite your insight and expertise in communicating these topics and welcome experienced professionals to submit proposals related to topics including recycling, composting, sustainability, new technologies, innovative projects, plus insights on recycling education, equipment, processes, and the circular economy.

[Submit presentation abstract](#)

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Initial renewal notices for the July 2025-June 2026 Member Year were sent on May 1st with the first reminder on May 30th. Deadline to renew is July 1st. Georgia Recycling Coalition, celebrating our 34th year of operation in 2025, strives to provide you with resources to begin, improve and grow your local programs, businesses, and non-profit entities. A “coalition” is defined as an alliance for combined action, working together to achieve a common goal. So share with us your ideas on how to improve your membership experience or let us know if you need assistance in facilitating your renewal.

Want to Know More about GRC?

- [Check out our social media Facebook, LinkedIn, and Instagram - @garecycles](#)
- [Visit our website and catch up on past issues of our newsletter to learn about projects and future activities.](#)

Have Ideas for How We Can Improve Our Membership or Need Help Renewing?

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Member News

Welcome New Members

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Waste Wiz Consulting
Jana Alfiero

Individual

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New Member Spotlight: Waste Wiz Consulting



Waste Wiz Consulting is a leading advisory consulting firm focused on multi-family waste and recycling solutions, working closely with property owners and management teams to uncover inefficiencies, lower costs, and design practical, sustainable programs tailored to the unique challenges of apartment living. With deep industry expertise and strong relationships across the sector—including haulers, brokers, and municipalities—Waste Wiz Consulting brings a consultative, data-driven approach that helps our clients make informed decisions and achieve long-term results. Trusted by top investment firms, they are proud to serve as a strategic resource in an evolving waste landscape.

Contact: Jana Alfiero

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ICAW Wrap Up



The Georgia Composting Council celebrated ICAW with a training update, facility tour/equipment demo and reception hosted by Laurens County SWMA at its Dublin, GA site (pictured above.) The Council also participated in several events including a Taste of Alpharetta and the Food Well Alliance 10th annual Soil Festival in Atlanta.

We would love to highlight your local successes in our news.
Share your story with us today!

Industry News

NWRA Announces Battery Campaign

The National Waste & Recycling Association (NWRA) has announced a national awareness campaign aimed at raising public understanding around the hazards of improper disposal of end-of-life batteries, the first nationwide campaign of its kind, according to NWRA. The campaign will address the risks battery fires pose to human life and property caused when batteries, specifically lithium-ion batteries, are improperly disposed of or placed into improper recycling streams. According to a January 2024 report published by NWRA and Ann Arbor, Michigan-based Resource Recycling Systems (RRS), more than 5,000 fires occur annually at recycling facilities, largely due to improper battery disposal. The campaign will promote its message through a licensing agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service by adopting the agency's "Woodsy Owl" character as the campaign's mascot—most famous for the "Give a hoot, don't pollute" slogan. Read the full news release [here](#).



Paper Cup Recycling Expands

Options for recycling polyethylene (PE)-coated paper cups are expanding now that Georgia-Pacific's Savannah River mill in Rincon, Georgia, accepts them in its mixed paper stock for recycling. The company is also working with the Foodservice Packaging Institute to expand and accelerate the acceptance of paper cups in curbside recycling programs. [Read more](#).

CYMI: Additional Industry Insight and News

- [What Happens to Recycled Paper \(video by Pratt Industries\)](#)

Calendar of Events

August 4-6, 2025

Resource Recycling Conference
Denver, CO

August 20-22, 2025

Georgia Environmental Conference
Jekyll Island, GA

September 17-19, 2025

SWANA GA Fall Conference

Jekyll Island, GA

Sept.16–18, 2025

BPI National Conference

Atlanta, GA

October 27-29, 2025

GRC 34th Annual Conference

Jekyll Island, GA

October 27-29, 2025

E-Scrap Conference

Grapevine, TX

November 12-15, 2025

RCon (formerly WasteCon)

Columbus, OH

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