



Virginia Marine Debris Summit  
February 27<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> 2013

# Who is the ACA?

## The ACA & YOU!

- Founded in 1880, the American Canoe Association (ACA) is a national, nonprofit 501 (c)(3) organization serving the broader paddling public by providing **EDUCATION** related to all aspects of paddling; **STEWARDSHIP** support to help protect paddling environments; and sanctioning of programs and events to promote paddlesport **COMPETITION** and **RECREATION**.



# ACA Stewardship

Padding Towards a Sustainable Future



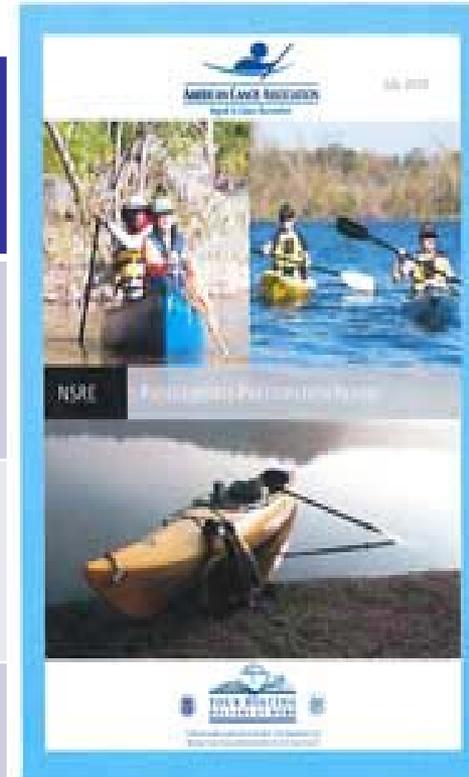
## Stream to Sea Initiative



# NSRE – Paddlesports Participation Report

National Survey of Recreation and the Environment - USFS-USCG-ACA

Activity	# of Participants	Total Annual Days
Canoeing	22,829,700	125,190,000
Kayaking	14,744,900	91,499,100
Rafting	13,410,100	80,771,500



# Stream to Sea

## Marine Debris Programs

- Paddle Green Events
- Youth Outreach
- Educational Platform





## HAWAIIAN VOYAGING TRADITIONS

Region Number	U.S.G.S. Watershed Regions	State	City	Water Corridor
1	New England	Maine	Portland	Casco Bay
2	Mid Atlantic	New York	New York	Hudson River
2	Mid Atlantic	Maryland	Baltimore	Chesapeake Bay
4	Great Lakes	Illinois	Chicago	Chicago River
4	Great Lakes	Michigan	Detroit	Detroit River
5	Ohio	Ohio	Cleveland	Cuyahoga River
7	Upper Mississippi	Missouri	Saint Louis	Mississippi River
13	Rio Grande	Texas	Brownsville	Rio Grande
14	Upper Colorado	Colorado	Grand Junction	Colorado River
15	Lower Colorado	Arizona	Yuma	Colorado River
17	Pacific Northwest	Oregon	Portland	Columbia River
18	California	California	Los Angeles	Los Angeles River





# Collection:

- Collection receptacle
- Debris Type
- Name – Location(GPS) – Watershed
- Photo
- Questions example:  
Did you recycle?  
Structure?



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