RIVER, LAKES
BAYS 'N BAYOUS TRASH BASH®

Cleanup Date: April 3, 2027

Site Information:
General Event Safety and Information

Registration, Liability Waiver, and Photo Release Form:

- Every participant MUST sign a liability waiver/photo release before participating in the cleanup.
- Minors must have the waiver signed by their parent or guardian, not just a chaperone.
- Waivers can be downloaded in English or Spanish from the Trash Bash® website. It is recommended to print and complete the form in advance to bring with you, though extra copies will be available at the site.

Site Conditions and What to Wear/Bring:

- Trash Bash® will happen rain or shine unless inclement weather poses a danger to participants.
- Conditions can be slippery, muddy, or overgrown, and temperatures can range from cold to warm.
- Recommended attire: pants, hats, rubber boots or sturdy closed-toed shoes you don't mind getting dirty.
- NO sandals or flip-flops. Volunteers wearing inappropriate footwear will NOT be allowed to participate.
- Bring sunscreen or bug spray as needed.

Accessibility:

- The work is hands-on physical labor and requires potentially lifting heavy objects, using manual tools (pickers, bags), and walking up and down the edge of the bayou on uneven or steep terrain.
- If you have any mobility or accessibility concerns about a site, it is best to contact the specific site coordinator to discuss.

Trash NOT to pickup:

- Not all trash can be safely picked up or disposed of with other waste.
- Do not pick up medical waste, 55-gallon drums or other sealed closed or sealed containers, hazardous materials, broken glass, partially buried items, or heavy items requiring more than one person to lift it. Tell a site organizer the location of the item, and the proper authority will be contacted for collection.

Restrooms:

- At most sites the restroom will consist of port-a-potties with handwashing stations.
- In a few locations additional facilities may be available but cannot be guaranteed. Individual site contacts may have more specific details if needed.

What is provided for volunteers at Trash Bash®:

Supplies

- All volunteers get gloves and trash bags.
- Trash grabbers are available but are limited and are not provided to every individual. If you have your own gloves or trash grabbers you prefer to use you may bring them with you.

T-shirt

- Trash Bash® t-shirts are available at registration the morning of the event on a first-come first-serve basis.

Lunch/Drinks

- All volunteers are invited to stay after the cleanup for a free lunch. Lunch is served at the registration site.
- Lunch usually consists of hot dogs, chips, and cookies.
- Water is available throughout the event. Individual sites may have additional beverage options

Visit www.TrashBash.org for information on the event, safety, and the required waiver.

Site Information:
White Oak Bayou – Ermel Elementary

Location:

Check in/Registration at Ermel Elementary School
7103 Woodsman Trail
Houston, TX 77040

Driving Directions:

Coordinator Names & Contact information:

Michael Anne La Bonte
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(409) 797-2280
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Special Notes:

Visit the Aldine Independent School District home page for additional information about Ermel Elementary School: http://www.aldineisd.org

Parking:

Parking will be in the side parking lot.

Check-in & Registration Area:

The registration area is in the front of the building which will be open.

Area To Be Cleaned:

West Gulf Bank and North Houston, Rosslyn, Woodsman Trail, Lumberjack, West Gulf Bank and Alabonson. Other areas may be designated for cleaning.

Schedule for the Day:

8:00 am – 8:30 am	Registration
8:30 am – 12:00 pm	Cleanup
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Lunch, door prizes, activities

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