Georgia Pesticide Waste Collection Program: Clean Day

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Georgia at a Glance

- Georgia has continued a clean sweep program since 1995 under the leadership of the Department of Agriculture.
- EPA grants were used in the early years of the program which is now 100 percent state funded.
- These collections, known as “Georgia Clean Day”, have collected over 2,100,000 pounds of pesticides.
- Beginning in FY 2003 the program has seen a steady cut in funding.
Georgia Clean Day

Yearly totals listed in thousands of pounds
# Georgia Clean Day

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<th>Fiscal Year</th>
<th>Quantity of Pesticides (lbs.)</th>
<th>Number of Counties</th>
<th>Program Cost</th>
<th>Average Cost (per lb.)</th>
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* Indicates host counties only (other surrounding counties also participate)  
** Indicates year where state budget was cut
Host Counties

Tattnall 83,053 lbs.
Spalding 32,149 lbs.
Sumter 60,906 lbs.
Lowndes 48,068 lbs.
Madison 22,857 lbs.
Total- 247,033 lbs.
Host Counties
Jenkins- 50,875 lbs.
Bulloch- 64,781 lbs.
Mitchell- 119,503 lbs.
Dodge- 35,512 lbs.
Total- 270,671 lbs.

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Host Counties
Glynn- 14,835 lbs.
Miller- 74,016 lbs.
Cook- 51,303 lbs.
Gwinnett- 18,584 lbs.
Toombs- 10,621 lbs.
Macon- 27,671 lbs.
Total- 197,030 lbs.
Funding

- Over the past few years the funding for Georgia has been reduced from approximately $225,000 annually to just over $135,000 in FY 2005.
- Additional cuts occurred in FY2008
- Funding comes from the Georgia General Assembly
Collection Logistics

- The program is conducted in several single day events across the state. On-site pick ups are also conducted on an as needed basis.
- There is no exchange program in place.
- Pre-registration is encouraged but not required.
- As a result of 9-11, the program has been opened up to anyone in the state with a pesticide disposal need.
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