

# SCRAP TIRE ABATEMENT REIMBURSEMENT (STAR) GRANT

Recovered Materials and Abatement Program  
Solid Waste Trust Fund Grant Program



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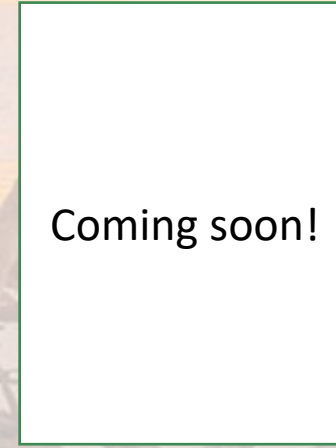
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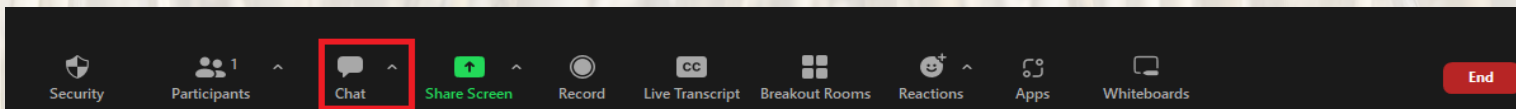
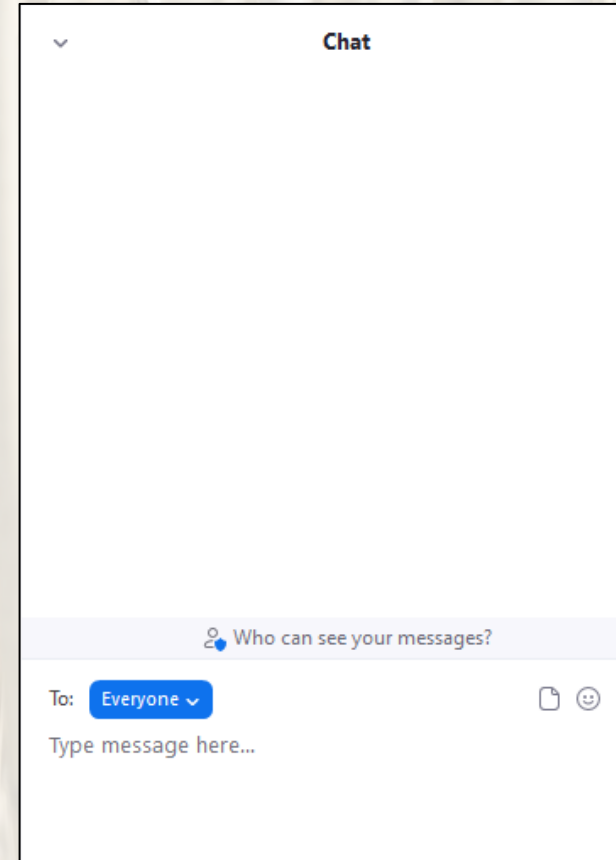
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# Georgia Solid Waste Trust Fund

REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023



ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION  
Georgia Department of Natural Resources



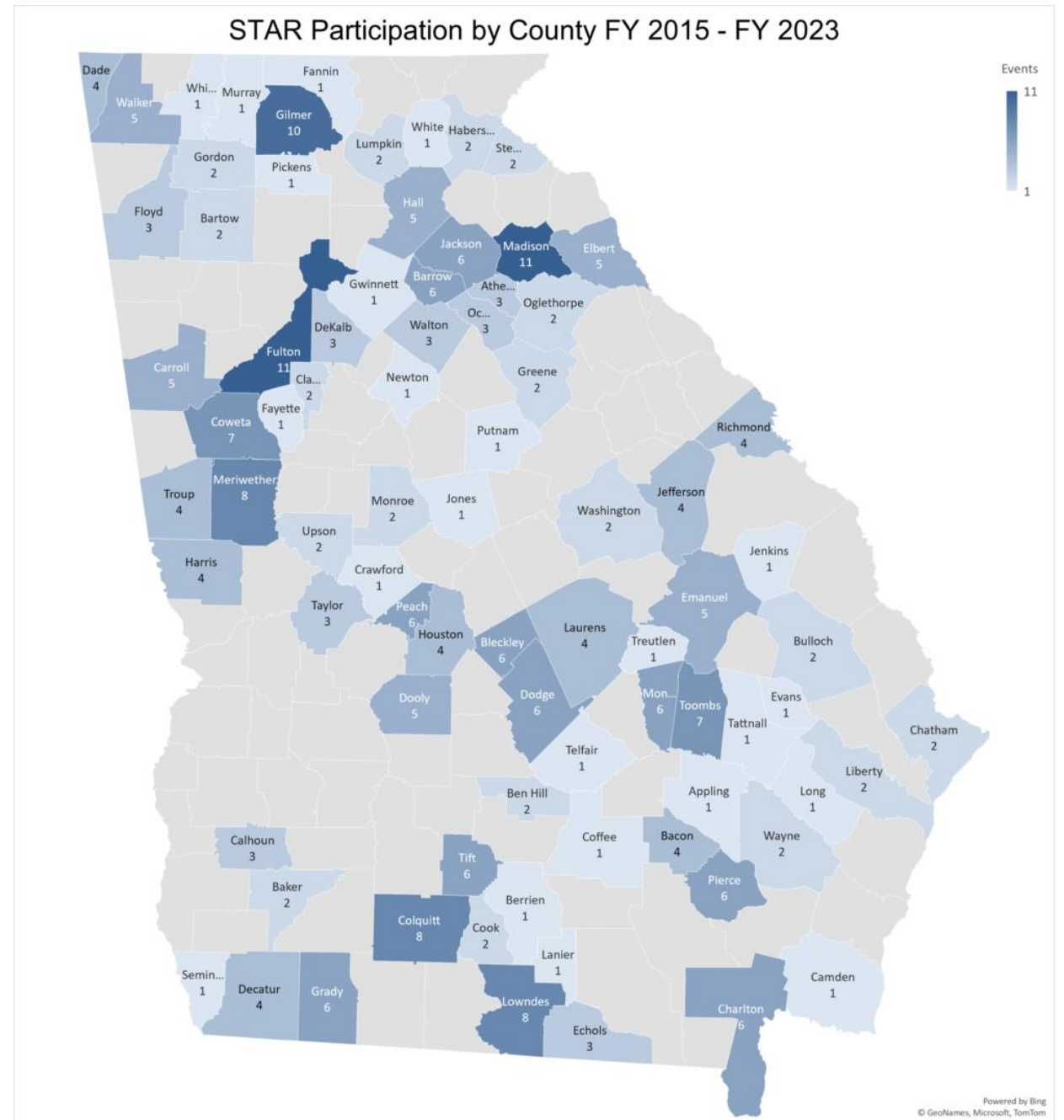
## Solid Waste Trust Fund Grant Program

- The Solid Waste Trust Fund (SWTF) is funded by Georgia's Tire Management Fee.
- SWTF dedicates funding to three grants:
  - Recycling and Waste Diversion Grant
  - Tire Products Grant
  - Scrap Tire Abatement Reimbursement (STAR) Grant
- SWTF Grant Program:  
<https://epd.georgia.gov/solid-waste-trust-fund-grant-program>

# STAR Grant Impact

► Since the start of the grant:

- Over 1,277,254 passenger tire equivalents (PTEs) have been removed and recycled.
- Local governments have been reimbursed over \$3.3 million.







# STAR Grant

- The STAR Grant reimburses eligible applicants for:
  - Removing, transporting, and processing scrap tires from:
    - Right-of-way cleanups
    - Scrap tire collection (amnesty) events
    - Tire dump projects
  - Applicants may hold multiple projects, but each requires its own application/agreement.
  - Reimbursement is limited to \$75,000 per applicant per state fiscal year (July 1 - June 30).
  - \$4 per PTE processing cap

# Types of STAR Events

- ▶ **Amnesty:** Event where residents may bring their scrap tires to be recycled.
- ▶ **Right-of-Way:** Removing and recycling scrap tires collected from city and county right-of-ways. These agreements last up to 12 months.
- ▶ **Tire Dump:** Cleanup of tire dumps led by the eligible applicant. Because of the variation in size and complexity of tire dumps, applications are evaluated on a case-by-case basis.



# Eligible Applicants

Counties

Municipalities

Consolidated City/County Governments

Public Authorities, Agencies, Commissions, or Institutions

\*Located in Georgia

\*Must be compliant with Department of Community Affairs

<https://apps.dca.ga.gov/LocalGovStatus/planning.asp>



# How to Apply

## Overview of the STAR Process:

Review  
Guidance



Choose/Contact  
Permitted Vendors;  
Contact FD



Complete & Submit  
Application



Review & Sign  
Agreement



Hold  
Event



Complete & Submit  
Final Report

STAR Grant Information, Guidance, Application and Reporting Forms: <https://epd.georgia.gov/star-program>

Submit applications and questions to: [epd.star@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:epd.star@dnr.ga.gov)

**\*Project activities completed prior to receiving the executed agreement will not be reimbursed**



## Tire Carriers & Beneficial Reuse Scrap Tire Processors

- Before applying, you will need to select a permitted tire carrier and processor.
- ‘Tire Carrier’ means any person engaged in collecting or transporting tires, other than new tires.
- ‘Scrap Tire Processor’ means any person approved through a permit issued by EPD to receive and process scrap tires.
- For the STAR Grant, all tires must go to a Beneficial Reuse Scrap Tire Processor.



# Application



# STAR Application

## Sections I & II: Contact & Event Information

Completely fill out the requested information.

### GA EPD Scrap Tire Amnesty Application

#### I. CONTACT INFORMATION

Government/Authority _____	Project Manager _____	Secondary Contact _____
Federal Tax ID _____	Title _____	Title _____
Mailing Address _____	Email _____	Email _____
City/State/ZIP _____	Phone _____	Phone _____
County _____		

#### II. AMNESTY EVENT INFORMATION

Event Name \_\_\_\_\_ Event Date(s)\* \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Date(s) \_\_\_\_\_

\*NOTE: Application must be submitted at least 90 days before event begins. If the date changes after execution of the agreement, the awardee must notify EPD in writing of the new date and the reason for the change. If events are more than one week apart, each event must have a separate application and contract.

\*This picture is from an Amnesty Application. The ROW and Dump applications look a little different, but include all the same important parts.



Scrap tire collection or amnesty events must be scheduled 90 days in advance of when the application is received by EPD to allow for adequate processing time

Event on April 20?



Submit by January 20

Event on August 31?



Submit by June 2



# STAR Application

## ► Section A: Cost Estimate

A. COST ESTIMATE			
<b>Enter the estimated number of each type of scrap tire that will be collected:</b>		<b>Enter fixed costs (from your tire carrier and/or processor):</b>	
<b>Type of Tire</b>	<b>Number of Tires</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>Cost</b>
Passenger	0	Rate Per Ton	\$ -
Truck	0	Inbound Freight	\$ -
Large Off-the-Road (OTR)	0	Flat Fuel Charge	\$ -
<b>The values in this table will fill in automatically based on what is entered above:</b>		<b>Type of Tire</b>	<b>Passenger Tire Equivalent (PTE)</b>
		Passenger	0
		Truck	0
		Large Off-the-Road (OTR)	0
		<i>Total</i>	<b>0</b>
			<b>Tons of Tires</b>
			0.00
			0.00
			0.00
			<b>0.00</b>
<b>The total estimated costs will be displayed here:</b>		<b>Estimated Tons</b>	<b>Estimated Processing Cost</b>
		0.00	\$0.00
			<b>Cost per PTE</b>
			\$0.00



# STAR Application

## ▶ Section B: Collection and Storage

B. COLLECTION AND STORAGE					
List all collection and post-event storage locations:					
Facility Name	Address	City	ZIP	Collection Storage?	Post-Event Storage?
				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Is the temporary storage site approved or permitted by EPD to store scrap tires?

Yes - List the approval/permit numbers:

No - Sites must be approved or permitted by EPD before the contract is executed OR applicants may submit a Tire Storage Letter. See "Storage" tab below for guidelines.

If your storage site is not permitted, you must include a tire storage letter on city, county, or authority letterhead detailing how the tires will be stored and secured.

Contact your local fire department prior to your event

# Tire Storage Letter

## What to include in your tire storage letter:

- ▶ How will the tires be secured when the site is unattended?
- ▶ What are the dimensions of the tire storage area? By regulation, this can be no greater than 10,000 square feet and no higher than 15 feet.
- ▶ Is there a 50-foot wide fire lane around the storage area?
- ▶ Has the local fire department been notified of the event?
- ▶ Will there be open flames within 25 feet of the storage area?
- ▶ Will tires be covered and/or treated with an appropriate pesticide to prevent mosquito infestations?
- ▶ In case of fire or other emergency, will steps be taken to prevent runoff from the tire storage area?

## Example Tire Storage Letter Statement (must be on city, county, or authority letterhead):

Local Government will hold a scrap tire amnesty event for residents on 4/21/2023. The tires collected will be temporarily stored at the city Public Works Department, 123 Main Street, City, GA under a covered structure within a fenced area that is locked during non-business hours. The local fire department has evaluated the proposed storage area and will be notified upon approval. There will be a 50-foot fire lane around the perimeter of the scrap tire storage area to allow fire department access in case of an emergency. There will be no open flames allowed within 25 feet of the scrap tire storage area. In case of an emergency, such as a fire, all necessary steps will be taken to prevent any runoff from the tire storage area.



# STAR Application

## ▶ Section C: Tire Carriers and Processors

C. CARRIERS AND PROCESSORS		
List the tire carrier(s) you plan to use and their permit number(s).*		
	Name	Permit Number
Carrier		
Carrier		
List the beneficial reuse scrap tire processor(s) you plan to use and their permit number(s).*		
	Name	Permit Number
Processor		
Processor		

Permitted vendors are available on EPD's website:

**Tire Carrier List:**

<https://epd.georgia.gov/media/123156/download>

**Beneficial Reuse Processors List:**


<https://epd.georgia.gov/media/122026/download>

# STAR Application

## ► Sections III and IV: Acknowledgements and Authorization

III. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS			
	YES	NO	N/A
Permitted tire carriers and permitted beneficial reuse scrap tire processors will be used.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Procurement of contractors will follow current city/county procurement policy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Appropriate safety measures will be taken while performing scrap tire abatement.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Liability waivers will be completed for volunteers, if applicable.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If there are any changes in the project after the execution of the agreement, awardee will notify EPD in writing (e.g., estimated cost of project, event date, location of temporary storage/collection sites, carriers/processors).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To the best of your ability, scrap tires will not be collected from businesses that generate scrap tires (e.g., retail tire dealers).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
While awaiting transport to a scrap tire processor, tires will be stored in a manner that is protective of human health and the environment.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
All scrap tires collected during the event will be removed within 30 days of event date.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Final report, reimbursement request, and other required documents will be submitted to EPD within 90 days of event date.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

IV. AUTHORIZATION	
<i>I, the undersigned authorized representative, certify that to the best of my knowledge, the information contained herein is true and correct.</i>	
Name _____ Title _____ Address _____ City/State _____ ZIP _____	Date _____ Signature  _____
To use the e-sign feature: 1. Save this document to your computer; 2. Click on 'View Signatures' at the top; 3. Click the down-arrow next to 'Signer 1' in the pop-up window at the right; 4. Click 'Sign' and type your signature in the box	

Q & A





# Reporting






# Reporting

- ▶ Your report must include:
  - Reporting form
  - Invoices
  - Manifests
  - Proof of payment
  - At least 3 photos taken during the event

# Invoices & Manifests

- ▶ You must include copies of all invoices and transport manifests from your tire carrier/processor with your report.

<b>Permitted Tire Company</b> 1234 First Street Somewhere, GA 30001 Phone: 555-555-5555			Invoice #: 123456 Invoice Date: 1/1/2022 Due Date: 2/1/2022 Account #: 123456	
Bill to: <b>Local Government</b> 5678 First Street Somewhere, GA 30001 Phone: 555-555-0000				
<b>INVOICE</b>				
Service Date	Description	Quantity	Rate	Total
1/1/2022	Environmental Fee	1.00	5.00	\$5.00
1/1/2022	Mixed Load Tires (Tons)	12.34	250.00	\$3,085.00
<b>Invoice Total:</b>				<b>\$3,090.00</b>

Part I: Certification by Scrap Tire Generator	
Scrap Tire Generator: _____	ID#: _____
Business Address: _____	City: _____
State: _____ Zip: _____	County: _____ Phone: _____
Enter amount of scrap tires to be transported in the applicable box: <input type="checkbox"/> Number of tires or <input type="checkbox"/> Tons of tires (The estimated amount of tires must be within 10% of amount in Part III)	
Tons of processed tires (cut, shredded, etc.) to be transported: _____ (if applicable)	
Destination of Tires: _____	
Location Address: _____ Phone: _____	
I hereby certify that the above indicated scrap tires were collected in the normal course of business in _____ County, State of Georgia and are destined to be transported to the facility indicated above.	
Signed: _____	Date: _____
<small>Scrap Tire Generator Authorized Representative</small>	
Part II: Certification by Permitted Tire Carrier	
Tire Carrier: _____	GA Permit #: _____
Business Address: _____	City: _____
State: _____ Zip: _____	Phone: _____
I hereby certify that the scrap tires received from the scrap tire generator (see Part I of this form) will be delivered to the destination designated by said generator and that the completed and signed manifest will be returned to the generator within 30 days from this date.	
Signed: _____	Date: _____
<small>Tire Carrier Authorized Representative</small>	
Part III: Certification by End User/Processor/Sorter/Disposal Facility	
End User/Processor/Sorter/Disposal Facility: _____	GA Permit # (if applicable): _____
Address: _____	City: _____ State: _____
Zip: _____	Phone: _____
I hereby certify that this facility is permitted or approved by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division to receive scrap tires and that I have received: <input type="checkbox"/> number of tires or <input type="checkbox"/> tons of tires, on the date below.	
Signed: _____	Date: _____
<small>End User, Processor, Sorter, or Disposal Facility Authorized Representative</small>	
Part IV: Certification by Scrap Tire Generator	
I hereby certify that I received a completed and signed manifest from the tire carrier listed in Part II of this form on the date below.	
Signed: _____	Date: _____
<small>Scrap Tire Generator Authorized Representative</small>	



# Helpful Links:

- ▶ STAR Grant Information, Guidance, Application and Reporting Forms: <https://epd.georgia.gov/star-program>
- ▶ FAQs: <https://epd.georgia.gov/amnesty-faqs>
- ▶ Beneficial Reuse Scrap Tire Processors: <https://epd.georgia.gov/media/122026/download>
- ▶ Permitted Tire Carriers: <https://epd.georgia.gov/media/123156/download>
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