



SWEETLAX SUMMER INVITATIONAL ZERO WASTE REPORT

Prepared by Impact Earth, June 23-June 25, 2017

Impact Earth and ML8 Events partnered together in support of a new zero waste initiative at the Sweetlax Summer Invitational from June 23rd - June 25th, 2017. Impact Earth provided zero waste stations at all 5 tournament locations throughout the three-day tournament, a site coordinator that helped with sorting on-site, and set up and pick up of all stations every day of the tournament. Below is a high level report of the tournament's zero waste initiative that includes all waste data and general Impact Earth staff observations.

<p>TOTAL WASTE DATA</p> <p>2,244 LBS TOTAL WASTE</p> <p>66.7% LANDFILL DIVERSION</p>	<p>4,000 ATTENDEES</p> <p>OVER 3 DAYS</p>	 <p>746 LBS LANDFILL</p>	 <p>217 LBS ORGANICS</p>	 <p>1,281 LBS RECYCLING</p>
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<p>FRIDAY</p> <p>84 LBS Landfill</p> <p>23 LBS Organics</p> <p>132 LBS Recycling</p> <p>Landfill Diversion: 64%</p>	<p>SATURDAY</p> <p>462 LBS Landfill</p> <p>165 LBS Organics</p> <p>817 LBS Recycling</p> <p>Landfill Diversion: 68%</p>	<p>SUNDAY</p> <p>200 LBS Landfill</p> <p>29 LBS Organics</p> <p>332 LBS Recycling</p> <p>Landfill Diversion: 64%</p>
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As previously assumed by the event staff, water bottles and other sports drinks were the largest waste item during the tournament. During the weekend, the two site coordinators from Impact Earth adjusted the number of waste stations and their placement on the fields based on traffic patterns and overall waste station usage. The site coordinators had the full cooperation of the ML8 and Sweetlax staff and were appreciative of all the gators' hard work to help with waste station pulls and breakdowns. Opportunities for improvement include providing waste stations that are more wind/weather proof with extra bags in the bottom of the bin, and to also have more of the ML8 staff trained on the initiative process so they could help educate/answer questions for parents and players.

The staff from Impact Earth would like to thank you for allowing us the opportunity to work on making the Sweetlax Summer Invitational a zero waste event for the first time. Your willingness to provide zero waste services at your event shows your commitment to this issue and brings an awareness of better resource management to the larger community.

We look forward to working with you again!

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