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BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Elections: 7/9/2021

NEW REGISTRATIONS - 488

VOTER CHANGES - 2640

LIST MAINTENANCE - 942

CONFIRMATION CARDS - 590

BIENNIAL LIST MAINT - 0

NCOA CONFIRMATIONS - 585

NVRA SURVEYS- 7

VOTER CANCELLATIONS- 5

INFORMATION REQUESTS- 8

		NEW PARTY				Total
		DEM	LIB	REP	UNA	
ORIGINAL PARTY	CST	0	0	1	45	46
	DEM	0	0	5	6	11
	GRE	0	0	0	24	24
	LIB	0	0	0	1	1
	REP	2	0	0	10	12
	UNA	8	1	17	0	26
Total		10	1	23	86	120

PARTY CHANGES:

-Staff Attended 2 State Mandated Teams Meetings

-Staff is currently processing all records from 2018-current through records retention program.

-Staff distributed new displays and the 8 new Brochures for the Election Outreach

Program to Various County Offices and Municipalities.



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COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

-June 28th We held our Bees, Worms and Soil program for Pender County 4-H youth. Beekeepers Tom Roper and JT Wells presented a slide presentation about the life of bees and brought in an actual demonstration beehive. Pender County Horticulture agent Tiffanee Boone taught the youth about composting and soil with help from Pender County Master Gardeners and we brought in worm farms to demonstrate how they fertilize and enrich our soil. At the end of the day, the youth enjoyed eating "edible" soil.

-June 29th I picked up and delivered turkey poults from the Prestage Dept. of Poultry Science at NCSU for Pender County youth to participate in the Youth Market Turkey Show. Judging will be in August.

-June 30th Pender County 4-H partnered with Pender County Parks and Recreation for the Nature Explorers program at Miller's Pond Park in Rocky Point. The 4-H youth took a nature hike around the lake, learned to fish and caught bream and bass, did fish nature art work and made trail mix.

-July 1st 4-H youth visited the Ecological Marine Adventures Education Center in Surf City, NC. They were taught about the biodiversity of our oceans, dissected a squid and seined for fish, crabs... in the surf.

-Wrote and preparing to submit Individual Plan of Work for NC Extension 2021-2022.

-Participated in interview for Pender County 4-H Program Assistant

-Continuing to prepare for upcoming Summer Fun Days events, Ecological Marine Adventures, Wood Ducks baseball, Zoo Snooze...

-Finishing up plans for Pender County 4-H Teen CPR training.









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LIBRARY

Spectrum News did an excellent story on our Outdoor Story Time program. The reporter did a good job conveying some of the benefits of story time programs, including the positive correlation between storytime programs and language development and literacy in children under 5. You can read the story and watch the video here:

<https://spectrumlocalnews.com/nc/coastal/news/2021/06/10/library-storytime-returns>

We're bouncing back strongly with the easing of COVID restrictions! In June 2021, both our children's books and our overall print book collections saw an increase of 21% in loans compared to June 2019.

Our summer reading program offers incentives to children for reading. Prizes include tickets to Wilmington Sharks baseball games, books, and more! Since this year's program started on June 1, Pender County children have reported 1,670 reading hours!



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PARKS & RECREATION

- Today July 9th at 6:30pm is our third Alive After Five concert at Hampstead Kiwanis Park featuring Revolution a Beatles Tribute Band. Food trucks will be onsite.
- The fifth week of Summer camp is wrapping up today. Between the sites at Topsail Elementary School and Rocky Point Elementary School we are averaging 84 campers per week. Summer Camp runs daily 7am-6pm.
- Next Thursday July 15th at 6:30pm is our second Summer on the Square concert series in Burgaw featuring Rivermist. Food trucks will be onsite. This series is in partnership with the Town of Burgaw.
- The Penderlea Community Park signs have been installed on the property. Photo attached.
- The Penderlea Auditorium recently received new stage curtains to replace the old ones that were ripped and discolored. The hardwood floors on the stage and in the lobby were also buffed and recoated. Photo attached.
- The Penderlea Gym floor was buffed and recoated two weeks ago. The floor also now has freshly painted Basketball, Volleyball and Pickleball lines. Photo Attached.







**2021 FRIDAY SUMMER CONCERT
SERIES**

HAMPSTEAD ALIVE AFTER FIVE

6:30PM - 8:30PM

6/11 The Cruise Brothers Band

6/25 Johnny Folsom 4

7/9 Revolution

7/23 The Imitations



Hampstead Kiwanis Park
For More Information Contact
Pender Parks & Recreation
910.259.1330
www.pendercountync.com



SUMMER ON THE SQUARE

THE IMITATIONS



JUNE 17

RIVERMIST



JULY 15

CATS BAND



JULY 29

CONCERTS START AT 6:30 PM
PENDER COUNTY COURTHOUSE SQUARE

For more information, contact 910-300-6401 or 910-259-1330





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PENDER FIRE AND EMS

Hello, Here are the reports, If there's a problem let me know.

Everett

Fire Operations	Date/Week:	5-Jun	12-Jun	19-Jun	26-Jun	3-Jul	6-Aug	3-Sep	24-Dec	31-Dec	Y-T-D
Station 1	Burgaw	16	6	2	17	4					189
Station 14	Sloop Point	11	9	22	11	10					281
Station 16	Hampstead	3	10	9	11	8					194
Station 18	Scott Hill	7	2	4	3	4					114
Station 29	Hwy 421 South	1	2	5	6	5					100
Station 21	Long Creek	6	4	5	8	7					161
Station 4	Topsail--OR	2	1	1	0	1					5
Station 13	Maple Hill	9	4	4	12	9					174
Station 17	Penderlea	11	5	2	7	1					112
Station 28	Island Creek	9	4	5	3	2					80
	Weekly Totals:	75	47	59	78	51	0	0	0	0	
											Grand Total: 1410

Fire Call Type Summary	Date/Week:	5-Jun	12-Jun	19-Jun	26-Jun	3-Jul	6-Aug	3-Sep	24-Dec	31-Dec	Y-T-D
FIRE		6	1	1	0	0					87
Motor Vehicle Crash		14	6	6	16	7					196
Search and Rescue		0	0	0	0	0					0
Service Calls		8	4	8	5	4					157
EMS First Response		28	27	37	41	32					716
Cancelled		16	9	6	16	7					239
Ocean Rescue		3	0	1	0	1					15
	Weekly Totals:	75	47	59	78	51	0	0	0	0	
											Grand Total: 1410

EMS Operation	Date/Week:	5-Jun	12-Jun	19-Jun	26-Jun	3-Jul	6-Aug	3-Sep	24-Dec	31-Dec	Y-T-D
Station 1	Burgaw	53	44	44	40	49					1131
Station 14	Sloop Point	35	35	36	28	36					792
Station 16	Hampstead	34	40	36	29	55					885
Station 18	Scotts Hill	0	0	0	0	0					0
Station 23	Surf City	32	24	33	30	49					615
Station 29	Hwy 421 Currie	0	0	0	0	0					75
Station 4	Topsail Beach	15	15	18	13	13					214
Station 5	Union	24	23	20	21	20					461
Station 7	Rocky Point	48	42	49	31	34					1032
Station 13	Maple Hill	9	6	10	11	8					115
Station 9	Atkinson	18	19	21	34	24					563
	Weekly Totals:	268	248	267	237	288	0	0	0	0	
											Grand Total: 5883

Suicide Deaths YTD							Overdose YTD					
	Attempts											
	Actual	0 to 18	18 to 45	45 to 65	65+	Total Attempts		Heroin	Pills	Other Illegal Substance	Deaths	LEO Narcan
January	1	0	2	2	1	5	January	2	2	6	2	1
February	0	0	3	1	2	6	February	2	4	2	0	1
March	0	1	0	2	0	3	March	1	3	4	0	0
April	1	1	1	1	0	3	April	2	1	3	0	2
May	2	0	6	3	1	10	May	0	2	1	0	0
June	1	2	2	1	2	7	June	0	1	2	0	0
July							July					
August							August					
September							September					
October							October					
November							November					
December							December					
YTD TOTAL	5	4	14	10	6	34	YTD TOTAL	7	13	18	2	4

EMS Call Type Summary		Date/Week:	5-Jun	12-Jun	19-Jun	26-Jun	3-Jul	6-Aug	3-Sep	24-Dec	31-Dec	Y-T-D
Cancelled			37	25	31	31	39					815
Refusals			75	72	73	72	100					1620
Stand By's			0	8	5	3	3					51
Transported			135	132	142	119	132					3075
Treated and Released			21	11	16	12	14					322
		Weekly Totals:	268	248	267	237	288	0	0	0	0	
Grand Total:												5883

Traffic Accident Deaths YTD					AirLink Calls			
	Deaths		Accidents					
January	0		72		January	1		
February	0		71		February	1		
March	0		54		March	2		
April	2		62		April	1		
May	1		87		May	2		
June	1		25		June	0		
July					July			
August					August			
September					September			
October					October			
November					November			
December					December			
YTD TOTAL	4		371		YTD TOTAL	7		



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REGISTER OF DEEDS

REGISTER OF DEEDS 6/01/2021 TO 6/30/2021	
Maps Recorded	19
Marriage License Issued	33
Passport Applications	50
Passport Photos	64
Notary Oaths Issued	28
Deeds of Trust Recorded	484
Deeds Recorded	482
Vital Certificates Issued (Birth/Death/Marriage)	375
Miscellaneous Documents Recorded	754
Total Fees Collected	\$295,572.35



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SHERIFF

Pender County Sheriff's Office Citizens Academy

The Pender County Sheriff's Office has completed two sessions of the Citizen's Academy. Citizens who have participated in these two sessions provided positive feedback and learned about all divisions within the Sheriff's Office. Citizens of Pender County are encouraged to sign up for one of the upcoming sessions beginning on August 24 and October 26. Each session is held on Tuesday evenings for 7 weeks and does have limited seating. Visit www.pendersheriff.com for more information and to download an application packet.

2021 Year to Date Activity

Sheriff's Office

Calls for Service - 14,595

Cases - 2,118

Vice/Narcotics Drug Seizures:

- Cocaine - 96.5 grams
- Crack Cocaine - 66 grams
- Marijuana - 880 grams
- Meth - 896 grams
- Illegal Mushrooms - 292 grams
- Heroin - 177 bindles
- Various illegally possessed prescription medication - 1,299 doses

911 Communications have received 34,325 calls for service. This includes all law enforcement, fire, and EMS.



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TOURISM

Pender County Update June 27-July 9, 2021

Tourism

Pender County Tourism is already planning **fall and Christmas events**.

We hosted **travel writer** Marguerite Cleveland. She writes for several publications and boasts a tremendous following in the military world as well.

Stephanie and Olivia are preparing for a Town of Burgaw meeting regarding **Ghost Walk**.

We are working with the **NC Oyster Trail** regarding events in the fall. October 11-15 is NC Oyster Week.

We assisted Zach White at the **Topsail Sounds** free concert in Topsail Beach on June 29.

We continue to work with **Friends of the Mountains to Sea Trail** and trail decisions that will impact the trail for the better.

We are in contact with representatives from **Canetuck Rosenwald School**, which is opening to the public for tours this summer.

We met with Spectrum News which is doing a feature on the **African American Heritage Trail**. The reporter, Rachel Boyd, has interviewed many key stakeholders.

We met with ITS regarding the software **Laserfiche**.

We met with **Surf City** officials to hear about their upcoming events and advertising plans.

We continue to work with **Pender Education Partnership** and their events.

All **newsletters** and **Beach Week** information has been kept up-to-date as we work with holidays and vacations.

We had a virtual meeting with the **Saltwater Angler** regarding feature articles. We spotlight their fishing forecast on social media.

We continue to work with our **chambers of commerce**.

We continue our representation on the **NC Beach, Inlet, and Waterway Association** as an advocate for tourism.

We continue working with the **Lower Cape Fear YWCA** to bring programs to Pender County.

Olivia continues her work with the **Pender County Long Term Recovery Group**.

Tourism is preparing for the **Courthouse Open House** under the direction of Allen Vann.

We're gathering information and designs for a **Trail rack card** – we have many statewide, a national, and our local trails in Pender County. We have a draft design.

We are participating in the **National Shoreline Management Study** (USACE) regarding erosion and accretion.

Before Elsa, we contacted each of our **vacation-rental businesses** with storm information as well as provided the rip current brochure.

Communications

Tammy attended the **Cape Fear Communicators** meeting on June 30.

Over the holiday we monitored **Tropical Storm Elsa** and we posted reminders to our vacationers to beware of rip currents.

We updated **social media** and the **county website**.

We issued press releases on behalf of various departments and we advised when the best possible time to send any releases.



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UTILITY OPERATIONS

PENDER COUNTY UTILITIES (PCU) & WATER DISTRICTS:

We are currently reviewing applications for the new Utilities Inspector position and will soon be advertising for the new Project Manager.

Field staff work and status updates since last report:

- Met with CDM Smith on well locations and discussed water quality suggestions.
- Automatic flush valve on daily flush on Camden Court and Michigan Avenue.
- Continued rigorous flushing in distribution system in Wyndwater and surrounding areas due to numerous colored water complaints. We found several system valves closed and multiple fire hydrants not active. Remedied these problems and flushed. This had a much-improved result and only had one customer complaint since, which has been addressed.
- 2 water service taps by staff, 2 moved services, and 3 meter relocations
- 2 service breaks repaired and 3 service breaks on customer side of meter reported to customers.
- 328 locates in the last two weeks. The amount of locates is very limiting to the number of staff to complete other tasks. Taps, flushing, pro -active maintenance, grounds keeping, fire hydrant repair/maintenance, and training.
- Currently fully staffed, with the exception of new positions recently created.
- One of our remote sites was broken into last weekend and items were stolen off PCU vehicles. Reported incident to Sheriff's Department and we are evaluating additional security measures.
- Did a pre-construction inspection at Blake Farms "The Reserve" in Scotts Hill.
- All monthly reports last month completed and submitted.

WATER PRODUCTION NUMBERS:

March 2021 Daily Avg : 1.20 MGD from WP, 0.267 MGD from Wallace, 0.762 MGD to Hamp/SH, 0.0009 MGD from Annex & Kiwanis Wells

April 2021 Daily Avg: 1.57 MGD from WP, 0.245 MGD from Wallace, 0.937 MGD to Hamp/SH, 0.151 MGD from Annex & Kiwanis Wells

May 2021 Daily Avg: 1.77 MGD from WP, 0.293 MGD from Wallace, 0.965 MGD to Hamp/SH, 0.394 MGD from Annex & Kiwanis Wells

June 2021 Daily Avg: 1.28 MGD from WP, 0.238 MGD from Wallace, 0.712 MGD to Hamp/SH, 0.322 MGD from Annex & Kiwanis Wells

July 2021 Daily Avg (thru 7th): 1.51 MGD from WP, 0.170 MGD from Wallace, 0.947 MGD to Hamp/SH, 0.213 MGD from Annex & Kiwanis Wells

WATER TREATMENT PLANT

- Carbon media exchange on GAC #4 was completed on 6/30. The vessel has been backwashed and is back in service.
- Lauren passed the Physical/Chemical Grade 1 exam. She will now serve as Backup ORC on the Plant's NPDES permit.
- In conjunction with staff from the Wastewater Treatment Plant, started conducting monthly safety meetings. This month's topic and discussion was on Tornado Safety.
- Staff load tested the generator in preparation of the upcoming storm season. We have 8,100 gallons of diesel fuel in the tank.
- Overall, the plant is running well with no major issues.
- Production numbers for June: 38.3 million gallons for an average of 1.28 MGD
- Production numbers for July through the 7th: 10.6 million gallons for an average of 1.51 MGD

PCP WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT - MKKAES (Melinda K. Knoezer Adaptive Ecosystem)

- Plant operator came in on the 5th to start sample pumps and we had a few nighttime call-outs for pump trips over the last couple of weeks.

- Cleaned trash out of the influent pump station (photo).
- Relocated water moccasin from water plant to woods (photo).
- We continue to weed-eat and mow around the facility.
- We ran generator and prepped yard for Tropical Storm Elsa.
- We helped move shelving from BASF to the Water Plant.
- Prepping to move media from BASF.
- Since our last update, our numbers continue to be great!
- We had a pump and haul of 5,600 gals (photo). We received a call from a customer letting us know they had an accidental release of 100 gallons of cleaner into the system on July 1st. Because of their call we were able to isolate the release to our influent pump station and have it pumped out. We did extensive sampling to make sure we caught it and that it did not affect the plant. The customer paid for the pump & haul directly.

SOLID WASTE

Our new Solid Waste Coordinator starts work on Monday, July 12th. She will be mostly working out of the transfer station scalehouse for the first week or two to get acclimated to our processes and workload there, then settling into the office at the Annex. We are working on the scheduling of interviews for the open Part-Time Scalehouse Operator position. We will soon be advertising for the new Solid Waste Maintenance Technician position.

The Transfer Station scale house staff is creating about 115 tickets daily for disposal records. Waiting time at scales is about 3 minutes IN and 5 minutes OUT.

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL TONNAGE FOR JUNE 2021

MSW Kitchen trash collected 2890.91 tons

Construction & demolition 681.19 tons

Recycling 120.79 tons

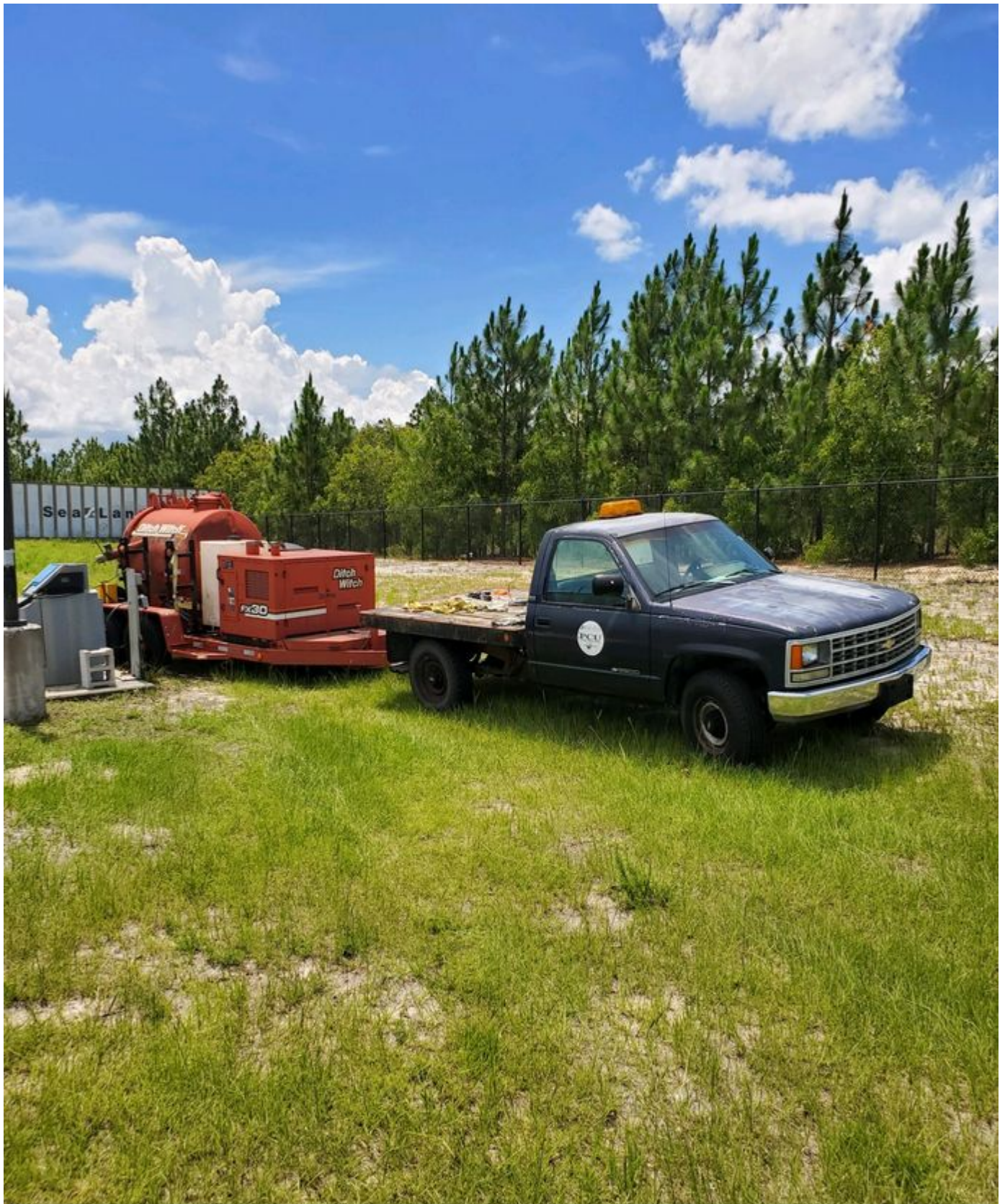
Tires recycled no data yet

Scrap metal recycled (shreds) 92.72 tons

Whitegoods recycled 9.52 tons

TV & Electronics 18.86 tons

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7/1/21 - Clean-out of Influent
Pump Station at PCP_WWTP



6/29/21 - Relocation of water moccasin from Water Plant site



7/1/21 - Pump & haul of 5,600 gallons due to accidental discharge to PCP_WWTP