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Ogeechee Riverkeeper®

Newsletter
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Milliken to close Screven County facility

On July 13, 2022, Milliken & Company announced the closure of the Longleaf plant located on the Ogeechee River in Screven County, Georgia.

Milliken purchased the former King America Finishing plant in 2014, along with its existing permit to discharge treated industrial effluent into the Ogeechee River, one of the last remaining free-flowing blackwater rivers in the nation. Beginning in early 2015, in an effort to modernize the existing and outdated plant, Milliken undertook extensive renovation and capital improvements of the facility.

Ogeechee Riverkeeper (ORK) considers the closure of the Longleaf facility to be an overall positive step for the health and cleanliness of the watershed, while acknowledging the impacts to the local economy that such a closure will necessitate.

[Read our full statement](#)



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Fall Festival

Join us for outdoor events and activities on the grounds of the Ogeechee River Mill, including live music, cornhole, paddling (bring your own equipment), fishing (bring your own equipment), rubber duck race, archery, tractor display, mule-drawn wagon rides, raffle and and more! Free for current ORK members!

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ORK is hosting trainings for citizen scientists! If you are a K-12 teacher, you can attend a free training on [Georgia's Project WET](#) curriculum. And anyone is welcome to become a certified [Adopt-A-Stream](#) volunteer.

Fund-A-Need

Help ORK protect your clean water and our magnificent coastline! ORK is purchasing four sets of simple, effective, portable, rugged, cost-effective data loggers. Please make a tax-deductible gift today and support ORK's ability to quickly and easily gather scientific data.

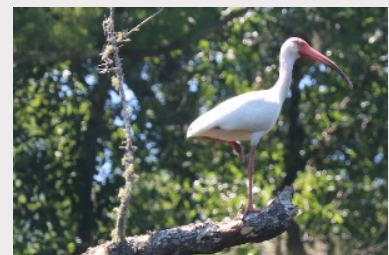
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Corporate sponsorships

Our Oyster Roast is back this November, and we want you to be a corporate sponsor! Did you know, sponsors receive benefits for an **entire year, not just one event?** View our [packages online](#), or ask a member of staff how your company can support clean water!

Follow us on Flickr!

We've got several photo albums on Flickr and you can see them all. With pictures from our cleanups, education events, school visits, and more, you can see what ORK is up to and be inspired to get out there yourself.

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Upcoming Events



**There are many ways you can help the Ogeechee Riverkeeper protect,
preserve and improve the waterways within our basin.**

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