



Local movements combating plastic pollution

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A PLETHORA OF PLASTIC

22,000 747-jumbo jets in plastic enters the oceans annually...

weighing as much as
30,000
elephants



WORLD • WATER

Plastic Fibers Are Found in 83% of the World's Tap Water, a New Study Reveals

Time, September 6, 2017

Science & Environment

Plastic particles found in bottled water



David Shukman
Science editor

🕒 15 March 2018 | 💬 155



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BBC News, March 15, 2018

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Guess What's Showing Up In Our Shellfish? One Word: Plastics

September 19, 2017 • 7:00 AM ET

KEN CHRISTENSEN

FROM EARTHFIX

NPR, September 19, 2017



By 2050, there will be more plastic than fish in the world's oceans, study says

Sarah Kaplan, *Washington Post*, January 20, 2016

Ocean plastic predicted to triple within a decade



By [Lauren Said-Moorhouse](#), CNN

🕒 Updated 9:45 AM ET, Wed March 21, 2018



Lauren Said-Moorhouse, *CNN*, March 20, 2018 ([YESTERDAY!!!](#))



THE CITADEL NEWSROOM

8 Oct 2014

Post & Courier Report: Study says tons of plastic in Charleston Harbor

Article by Bo Petersen, The Post & Courier, October 6, 2014



Cadet Brittany Crocker collecting samples

**Those "pristine" Charleston estuary waters are in worse shape than most people think.
At least 7 1/2 tons worse.**

Why should we care?



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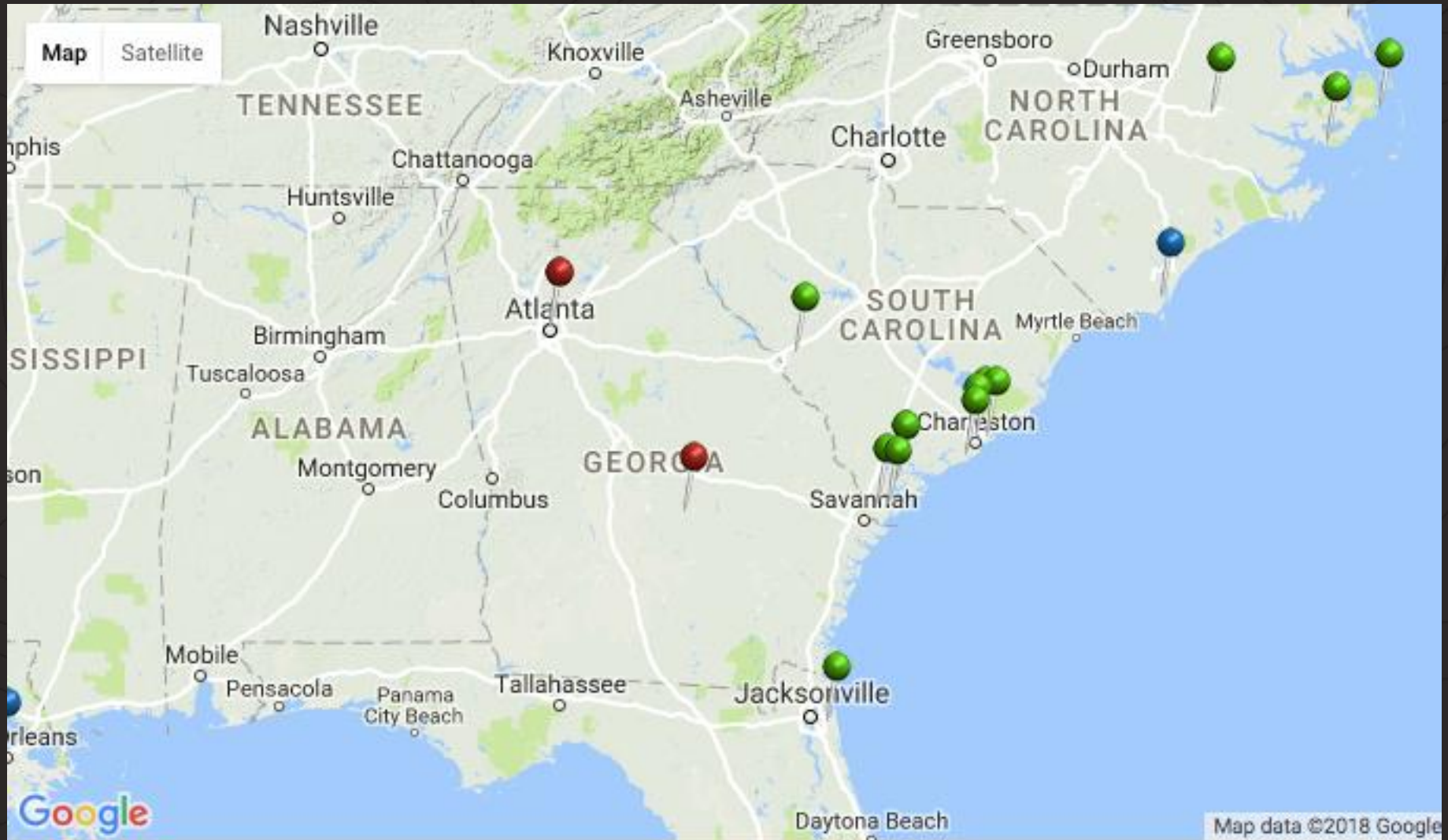
Where are the bans/fees?



20 million Americans live in jurisdictions with a bag ban or fee

IMAGE FROM WEB

Where are the bans/fees in South Carolina?



Isle of Palms leads the way

IOP businesses adjust to bag ban

Dustin Waters Jul 28, 2015



The Harris Teeter on Isle of Palms depleted its plastic bag inventory long before the plastic bag ban went into effect and only offers paper and reusable bags.

[Buy Now](#)

Folly Beach follows

Another South Carolina beach community moves to ban plastic



Groceries loaded into plastic bags. **JOE JOHNSTON**

FOLLY BEACH, S.C. — Another South Carolina beach community is banning plastic bags in a move that advocates say v



Hilton Head Island joins in, spurs county-wide action

3.5 Promote Sustainable Development

- A. The goal is to create incentives for low impact development (both site and structure design).
- B. The goal is to create a “green” standard for all capital improvement projects.
- C. The goal is to establish a “green” maintenance standard for Town properties.
- D. The goal is to create positive environmental effects on the surrounding neighborhood through Town open space land acquisition program.
- E. The goal is to preserve wetlands (isolated freshwater are of high priority), trees, rare or critical animal habitats, rare or critical plant species, and reduce impervious surfaces in impaired watersheds through land acquisition.
- F. The goal is to reduce and mitigate the negative impacts of sea level rise and global warming effects on Island.
- G. The goal is to explore the opportunity to implement a plastic bag fee for shopping establishments.



Beaufort County bans single use plastic bags

CII. AN ORDINANCE OF BEAUFORT COUNTY COUNCIL ADDING CHAPTER 38, ARTICLE 6: SINGLE-USE PLASTIC BAGS TO THE BEAUFORT COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ENCOURAGE THE USE OF REUSABLE CHECKOUT BAGS AND RECYCLABLE PAPER CARRYOUT BAGS AND BANNING THE USE OF SINGLE-USE PLASTIC BAGS FOR RETAIL CHECKOUT OF PURCHASED GOODS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY ([backup](#))

1. Consideration of third and final reading to occur January 22, 2018
2. Public hearing occurred January 8, 2018
3. Second reading approval occurred December 11, 2017 / Vote 10:1
4. First reading approval occurred November 13, 2017 / Vote 10:1
5. Council Work Session to receive public comment and input occurred November 8, 2017
6. Council Work Session to receive public comment and input occurred November 1, 2017
7. Council Work Session to receive public comment and input occurred October 25, 2017
8. Natural Resources Committee discussion and recommendation to approve ordinance with amendments/additions occurred October 16, 2017 / Vote 4:1
9. Natural Resources Committee Work Session to receive public comment and input occurred October 5, 2017
10. Natural Resources Committee Work Session to receive public comment and input occurred September 25, 2017
11. Natural Resources Committee discussion incident to the date and time of two Natural Resources Committee Work Sessions occurred September 18, 2017
12. Council postponed action and sent back to the Natural Resources Committee for additional public input and public comment on August 28, 2017
13. Natural Resources Committee discussion and recommendation to approve on first reading occurred August 22, 2017 / Vote 4:2



Obstacles in Columbia

POLITICS & GOVERNMENT

A ban on bans: Are SC legislators killing local control as favor for Big Business?

BY TOM BARTON AND AVERY G. WILKS

FEBRUARY 18, 2019 05:00 AM, UPDATED FEBRUARY 27, 2019 01:11 PM



Tom Barton and Avery Wilks, *The State*, February 18, 2019





What else are we doing?

Island Packet, March 1, 2018

LOCAL

Sick of the 'appalling' litter? Here's what Beaufort County plans to do about it



BY MAGGIE ANGST
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Can You Imagine A Supermarket With No Plastic?

By Adele Peters / Mar 5, 2018

A campaign is pushing European supermarkets to ditch oil-based containers for recyclable or compostable alternatives. Will we ever see a world where plastic is eliminated from our shopping?



Remember all your Rs!



Bee's Wrap, Bake House Canvas Market Bags, Swell Water Bottle, the Poof, Guppy Friend Bag





THANK YOU!

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