

Dive into Fun at Shotwell Environmental Park's Summer Splash Bash!

Wendell, NC – August 17, 2025 – The Shotwell Environmental Park welcomed a vibrant crowd of over 300 community members on Saturday for its fifth annual Summer Splash Bash, a lively event aimed at showcasing the Park's essential role in the greater Triangle region's environmental efforts.

Neighbors, local non-profits, civic organizations, and community customers gathered for a day filled with family-friendly activities and education, all in the beautiful setting of Shotwell Environmental Park—a premiere construction and demolition debris (C&D) landfill and materials recovery facility (MRF). This unique event aimed to highlight how landfills can be both pretty and functional, promoting safe and environmentally responsible recycling and disposal practices.

The Summer Splash Bash featured an exciting lineup of activities that included introducing a brand new **Foam Party**, a thrilling **20-foot water slide**, exhilarating slip and slides, an inflatable obstacle course and a hayride landfill tour. With fun field games and Meridian Waste's signature **Touch-A-Truck** lineup, there was no shortage of excitement for guests of all ages.

"We are thrilled with the community response and to show everyone that Shotwell Environmental Park is more than just a landfill," said Patrick Messinger, Meridian Waste's Area President – North Carolina. "Our facility is dedicated to promoting sustainability and demonstrating that environmentally responsible practices can be enjoyable and engaging for families."

Attendees were treated to a complimentary lunch featuring hot dogs, chips, ice treats, lemonade, and delicious farm-fresh watermelon, making the day even sweeter. The event fostered connections among community members and emphasized the park's commitment to serving the greater Triangle region.

As we move forward, Shotwell Environmental Park looks to continue hosting events to engage the community and promote eco-friendly practices that lead to a better environment for all.

For more information about Shotwell Environmental Park and future events, please visit www.MeridianWaste.com/Shotwell or contact us at 919-217-0045.

Photo 1: Meridian Waste's 2025 Summer Splash Bash Brings Foam Snow to North Carolina.



Photo 2: 600+ Hot Dogs and a Smiling Area President (Patrick Messinger) and Splash Bash Guests



Video 1: 20' Slide is a Fan Favorite!



About Meridian Waste

Headquartered in Charlotte, N.C., Meridian Waste is a company defined by its commitment to servicing its customers, caring for and engaging its employees, and generating financial value for its shareholders while delivering a clean and healthy community. The company's core waste business is centered on residential, commercial, and industrial non-hazardous waste collection and disposal. Currently, the company operates in Northeast Fla., St. Louis, Mo., Raleigh, N.C and the greater Triad Region of NC., Greenville, S.C., Knoxville, Tenn., Huntsville, AL, Central AL, North & South MS, Blacksburg, Va., Harrisonburg, Va., and Richmond, Va., servicing more than 582,100 residential, commercial, industrial, and governmental customers. In addition to a fleet of commercial, residential, and roll-off trucks, the company operates 30 hauling companies, nine transfer stations/materials recycling facilities (MRFs), three municipal solid waste landfills, and four C&D landfills in which 1,605,450 tons of waste are safely disposed of annually. For more information, visit Meridian Waste.com.

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