



4-H OUTDOOR EDUCATION



ALABAMA 4-H
Auburn University

4-H Outdoor Education
Alabama 4-H knows
woods, wildlife, and water!

Outdoor education reached **79%** of enrolled 4-H'ers

62 bodies of water accessed for citizen science, aquatic education, and recreation

153 miles paddled

83 water data records submitted



WHAT DO 4-H'ERS THINK?

- ✓ **90%** of 4-H'ers believe that water quality affects human health and the environment.
- ✓ **99%** believe activities people do on the land can pollute water.
- ✓ **92%** think a watershed is an area that drains into the same body of water.
- ✓ **100%** think that Alabama's waters are special and important.
- ✓ **73%** say learning science is enjoyable.

WHAT DID 4-H'ERS LEARN?

“How to have fun without landing a fish.
To be a steward.
How to take care of the environment while kayaking.
How to help clean up or take care of a local stream,
river, or beach.”

4-H'ers Engaged in Outdoor Education Competitions

WILDLIFE

26 youths created wildlife management plans for a coastal urban environment at Week's Bay NERR, and the Barbour County wildlife team competed nationally in Iowa's tallgrass mixed prairie.

FORESTRY

30 youths measured trees, interpreted resources on topographic maps, and navigated forested uplands with a compass on top of Lookout Mountain at the Little River Canyon Center.

FISHING

54 youths from **29** counties caught big fish and entered them into the BIGGEST Catch virtual fishing contest.

