



We need your help to win a Trex Bench to install at a trail, park or river access in the Dan River Basin!

The Trex Challenge (officially the NexTrex® Plastic Film Recycling Challenge) is a program by Trex Company that educates and engages communities, schools, and businesses in recycling plastic film.

Participants collect plastic bags and film that would otherwise end up in landfills. By meeting a minimum collection goal organizations can earn a Trex composite bench. The collected plastic is transformed into Trex's eco-friendly decking and railing products.

DRBA's goal is to collect 1,000 pounds of the specific plastic below from January, 2025 – January, 2026. If we win a bench, you'll get to vote and help decide on the perfect trail, park or river access to put it!

How it works:

- 1) Simply collect the plastics you see in the picture below.
- 2) Weigh it all and take a picture of the weight.
- 3) Drop it off at places that have plastic bag recycling bins like Target, Walmart, or Food Lion.
- 4) After you drop off your plastics, visit my.trex.com and sign in using the username: DanRiverBasin and the password: Cleanrivers. Go to "Recycle Collections" and "Add New Drop-Off" then fill out your drop off location, city, state, and weight and hit Submit Drop-off.
- 5) You will then be asked to submit your photo of the weight. And you're done!

What can be recycled?

All plastic must be clean, dry and free of food residue.



Grocery bags



Bread bags



Bubble wrap



Dry cleaning bags



Newspaper sleeves



Ice bags



Plastic shipping envelopes



Ziploc & other reclosable food storage bags



Cereal bags



Case overwrap



Salt bags



Pallet wrap & stretch film



Wood pellet bags



Produce bags

Thank you for recycling and helping us reach our goal!