## LAKEWATCH Report for Jupiter River-1 in Palm Beach County Estuary and Estuary Segment: Loxahatchee River Estuary Lower Loxahatchee Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

# **Introduction for Estuaries**

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#### **Base File Data for Estuaries: Definitions:**

- **County**: Name of county adjacent to the system.
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- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
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- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.

County	Palm Beach
Name	Jupiter River-1
GNIS Number	
Water Body Type	Estuary
Period of Record (years, range)	2 (2002 to 2003)
Latitude	26.9484
Longitude	-80.0821

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- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- Total Nitrogen ( $\mu$ g/L): Nutrient needed for aquatic plant/algae growth but only limiting when nitrogen to phosphorus ratios are generally less than 10 (by mass).
- Chlorophyll-uncorrected (µg/L): Chlorophyll concentrations are used to measure relative abundances of open water algae.
- Secchi (ft), Secchi (m): Secchi measurements are estimates of water clarity.
- Color (Pt-Co Units): LAKEWATCH measures true color, which is the color of the water after particles have been filtered out.
- Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25°C), Salinity (ppt): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	24 - 29	26 (2)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	230 - 230	230 (2)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	1 - 8	3 (2)
Secchi (ft)	4.0 - 4.5	4.2 (2)
Secchi (m)	1.2 - 1.4	1.3 (2)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	8 - 11	9 (2)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	47000 - 49000	47990 (2)
Salinity (ppt)	29 - 31	30 (2)

## LAKEWATCH Report for Jupiter River-2 in Palm Beach County Estuary and Estuary Segment: Loxahatchee River Estuary Lower Loxahatchee Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

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- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- **Period of Record (years)**: Number of years a system has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.

County	Palm Beach
Name	Jupiter River-2
GNIS Number	
Water Body Type	Estuary
Period of Record (years, range)	2 (2002 to 2003)
Latitude	26.9416
Longitude	-80.0863

The following long-term data are the primary trophic state parameters collected by LAKEWATCH volunteers and classification variables color and specific conductance (LAKEWATCH recently began analyzing samples quarterly for color and specific conductance):

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- Total Nitrogen ( $\mu$ g/L): Nutrient needed for aquatic plant/algae growth but only limiting when nitrogen to phosphorus ratios are generally less than 10 (by mass).
- Chlorophyll-uncorrected (µg/L): Chlorophyll concentrations are used to measure relative abundances of open water algae.
- Secchi (ft), Secchi (m): Secchi measurements are estimates of water clarity.
- Color (Pt-Co Units): LAKEWATCH measures true color, which is the color of the water after particles have been filtered out.
- Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25°C), Salinity (ppt): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	23 - 29	26 (2)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	170 - 240	202 (2)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	2 - 8	4 (2)
Secchi (ft)	4.5 - 5.5	5.0 (2)
Secchi (m)	1.4 - 1.7	1.5 (2)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	8 - 12	10 (2)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	44000 - 46000	44989 (2)
Salinity (ppt)	27 - 29	28 (2)

## LAKEWATCH Report for Jupiter River-3 in Palm Beach County Estuary and Estuary Segment: Loxahatchee River Estuary Lower Loxahatchee Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

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- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
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County	Palm Beach
Name	Jupiter River-3
GNIS Number	
Water Body Type	Estuary
Period of Record (years, range)	2 (2002 to 2003)
Latitude	26.9484
Longitude	-80.0895

The following long-term data are the primary trophic state parameters collected by LAKEWATCH volunteers and classification variables color and specific conductance (LAKEWATCH recently began analyzing samples quarterly for color and specific conductance):

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- Total Nitrogen ( $\mu$ g/L): Nutrient needed for aquatic plant/algae growth but only limiting when nitrogen to phosphorus ratios are generally less than 10 (by mass).
- Chlorophyll-uncorrected (µg/L): Chlorophyll concentrations are used to measure relative abundances of open water algae.
- Secchi (ft), Secchi (m): Secchi measurements are estimates of water clarity.
- Color (Pt-Co Units): LAKEWATCH measures true color, which is the color of the water after particles have been filtered out.
- Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25°C), Salinity (ppt): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	20 - 36	27 (2)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	180 - 350	251 (2)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	1 - 6	2 (2)
Secchi (ft)	4.0 - 4.3	4.1 (2)
Secchi (m)	1.2 - 1.3	1.3 (2)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	7 - 14	10 (2)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	45000 - 45000	45000 (2)
Salinity (ppt)	28 - 28	28 (2)

## LAKEWATCH Report for Worth-4 in Palm Beach County Estuary and Estuary Segment: Lake Worth Lagoon Northern Lake Worth Lagoon Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

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County	Palm Beach
Name	Worth-4
GNIS Number	293537
Water Body Type	Estuary
Period of Record (years, range)	1 (2002 to 2002)
Latitude	26.7652
Longitude	-80.0449

The following long-term data are the primary trophic state parameters collected by LAKEWATCH volunteers and classification variables color and specific conductance (LAKEWATCH recently began analyzing samples quarterly for color and specific conductance):

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- Color (Pt-Co Units): LAKEWATCH measures true color, which is the color of the water after particles have been filtered out.
- Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25°C), Salinity (ppt): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	17 - 17	17 (1)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	230 - 230	230 (1)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	4 - 4	4 (1)
Secchi (ft)	10.0 - 10.0	10.0 (1)
Secchi (m)	3.0 - 3.0	3.0 (1)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	-	(0)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	-	(0)
Salinity (ppt)	-	(0)

## LAKEWATCH Report for Worth-5 in Palm Beach County Estuary and Estuary Segment: Lake Worth Lagoon Northern Lake Worth Lagoon Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

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County	Palm Beach
Name	Worth-5
GNIS Number	293537
Water Body Type	Estuary
Period of Record (years, range)	1 (2002 to 2002)
Latitude	26.7260
Longitude	-80.0456

The following long-term data are the primary trophic state parameters collected by LAKEWATCH volunteers and classification variables color and specific conductance (LAKEWATCH recently began analyzing samples quarterly for color and specific conductance):

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Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	11 - 11	11 (1)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	110 - 110	110 (1)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	1 - 1	1 (1)
Secchi (ft)	18.0 - 18.0	18.0 (1)
Secchi (m)	5.5 - 5.5	5.5 (1)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	1 - 1	1 (1)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	52000 - 52000	52000 (1)
Salinity (ppt)	32 - 32	32 (1)