Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Alice in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

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Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

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Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	365 - 685	482 (12)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	563 - 1103	679 (12)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	6 - 25	12 (12)
Secchi (ft)	2.3 - 7.3	4.6 (12)
Secchi (m)	0.7 - 2.2	1.4 (12)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	33 - 41	36 (7)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	262 - 349	302 (2)
Lake Classification	Clear Hardwater	

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- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Alice
GNIS Number	277748
Latitude	29.6432
Longitude	-82.3605
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	11 ha or 26 acre
Period of Record (year)	1997 to 2019
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP6
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	482 (365 to 685)
TN Zone	TN4
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	679 (563 to 1103)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
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- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
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Figure 2. Lake Alice trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP No Trend, $R^2 = 0.24$, p = 0.10), total nitrogen (TN No Trend, $R^2 = 0.05$, p = 0.51), chlorophyll (CHL No Trend, $R^2 = 0.00$, p = 0.91) and Secchi depth (Secchi No Trend, $R^2 = 0.02$, p = 0.69).



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Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	11 - 26	18 (36)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	485 - 1010	685 (36)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	5 - 29	11 (36)
Secchi (ft)	2.3 - 7.5	4.0 (36)
Secchi (m)	0.7 - 2.3	1.2 (36)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	41 - 150	85 (22)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	63 - 94	78 (16)
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County	Alachua
Name	Alto
GNIS Number	307655
Latitude	29.7842
Longitude	-82.1446
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	232 ha or 573 acre
Period of Record (year)	1987 to 2022
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP3
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	18 (11 to 26)
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Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	99 - 255	166 (17)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	939 - 3311	2121 (17)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	33 - 192	100 (17)
Secchi (ft)	0.7 - 2.9	1.1 (17)
Secchi (m)	0.2 - 0.9	0.3 (17)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	25 - 34	30 (7)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	144 - 246	193 (3)
Lake Classification	Clear Hardwater	

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County	Alachua
Name	Bivans Arm
GNIS Number	278872
Latitude	29.6223
Longitude	-82.3419
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	76 ha or 189 acre
Period of Record (year)	1992 to 2009
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Hypereutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	166 (99 to 255)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	2121 (939 to 3311)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
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- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Bivans Arm trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP Increasing, $R^2 = 0.57$, p = 0.00), total nitrogen (TN Increasing, $R^2 = 0.54$, p = 0.00), chlorophyll (CHL No Trend, $R^2 = 0.16$, p = 0.11) and Secchi depth (Secchi Decreasing, $R^2 = 0.31$, p = 0.02).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Bonnet in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 μg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	19 - 29	23 (5)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	725 - 1116	899 (5)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	5 - 18	8 (5)
Secchi (ft)	4.6 - 5.1	4.9 (5)
Secchi (m)	1.4 - 1.6	1.5 (5)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	22 - 56	37 (4)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	60 - 60	60 (1)
Lake Classification	Clear Softwater	

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Bonnet
GNIS Number	279221
Latitude	29.7233
Longitude	-82.0969
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	2001 to 2011
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP3
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	23 (19 to 29)
TN Zone	TN3
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	899 (725 to 1116)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The *Lake Classification* tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Bonnet trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP No Trend, $R^2 = 0.04$, p = 0.74), total nitrogen (TN No Trend, $R^2 = 0.61$, p = 0.12), chlorophyll (CHL Increasing, $R^2 = 0.92$, p = 0.01) and Secchi depth (Secchi No Trend, $R^2 = 0.38$, p = 0.27).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Calf Pond in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	90 - 93	91 (2)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	1353 - 1910	1608 (2)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	24 - 54	36 (2)
Secchi (ft)	1.8 - 3.5	2.5 (2)
Secchi (m)	0.6 - 1.1	0.8 (2)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	44 - 48	46 (2)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	174 - 174	174 (1)
Lake Classification	Colored	

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- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
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- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
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- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Calf Pond
GNIS Number	279829
Latitude	29.6281
Longitude	-82.2876
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	5.7 ha or 14 acre
Period of Record (year)	2006 to 2007
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	91 (90 to 93)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	1608 (1353 to 1910)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

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- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Clear in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

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Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Table 1.	Florida	Department	of Environn	nental Prote	ction's Nun	neric Nutrie	ent Criteria	for lakes.
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Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	$160 \mu g/L^{1}$	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	69 - 520	160 (10)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	862 - 5523	2027 (10)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	11 - 295	62 (9)
Secchi (ft)	0.8 - 4.2	1.9 (10)
Secchi (m)	0.2 - 1.3	0.6 (10)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	51 - 80	64 (7)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	101 - 123	110 (5)
Lake Classification	Colored	

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Clear
GNIS Number	280534
Latitude	29.6520
Longitude	-82.3920
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	4 ha or 10 acre
Period of Record (year)	1993 to 2019
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Hypereutrophic
TP Zone	TP6
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	160 (69 to 520)
TN Zone	TN4
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	2027 (862 to 5523)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The *Lake Classification* tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
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- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Clear trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP No Trend, $R^2 = 0.01$, p = 0.80), total nitrogen (TN Increasing, $R^2 = 0.56$, p = 0.01), chlorophyll (CHL Increasing, $R^2 = 0.64$, p = 0.01) and Secchi depth (Secchi Decreasing, $R^2 = 0.84$, p = 0.00).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Dean Pond in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

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Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	14 - 14	14 (1)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	587 - 587	587 (1)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	16 - 16	16 (1)
Secchi (ft)	6.8 - 6.8	6.8 (1)
Secchi (m)	2.1 - 2.1	2.1 (1)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	13 - 13	13 (1)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	-	(0)
Lake Classification		

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in **bold** can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Dean Pond
GNIS Number	281403
Latitude	29.4957
Longitude	-82.0582
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	2003 to 2003
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	14 (14 to 14)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	587 (587 to 587)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The *Lake Classification* tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

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- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
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- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Deep Spring Pond in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Table 1.	Florida	Department	of Environn	nental Prote	ction's Nun	neric Nutrie	ent Criteria	for lakes.
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Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 μg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
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and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	249 - 444	331 (4)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	851 - 1193	1006 (4)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	15 - 26	21 (4)
Secchi (ft)	3.6 - 4.4	3.9 (4)
Secchi (m)	1.1 - 1.3	1.2 (4)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	41 - 79	53 (4)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	50 - 56	52 (4)
Lake Classification	Colored	

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- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua	
Name	Deep Spring Pond	
GNIS Number		
Latitude	29.9297	
Longitude	-82.5190	
Water Body Type	Lake	
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre	
Period of Record (year)	2016 to 2019	
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic	
TP Zone	TP6	
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	331 (249 to 444)	
TN Zone	TN4	
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	1006 (851 to 1193)	


- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
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- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
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Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Elizabeth in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

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- **Total Nitrogen (µg/L):** Nutrient needed for aquatic plant/algae growth but only limiting when nitrogen to phosphorus ratios are generally less than 10 (by mass).
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Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
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and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
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Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

 Table 2. Long-term trophic state data collected monthly by LAKEWATCH volunteers and

 classification variables color and specific conductance (collected quarterly). Values in bold can be used

 with Table 1 to evaluate compliance with nutrient criteria.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	10 - 22	16 (17)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	659 - 1299	928 (17)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	3 - 8	5 (17)
Secchi (ft)	1.8 - 4.2	2.8 (17)
Secchi (m)	0.5 - 1.3	0.9 (17)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	16 - 197	52 (17)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	39 - 80	57 (16)
Lake Classification	Colored	

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

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- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in **bold** can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Elizabeth
GNIS Number	282164
Latitude	29.7002
Longitude	-82.0918
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	46 ha or 115 acre
Period of Record (year)	2006 to 2022
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Mesotrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	16 (10 to 22)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	928 (659 to 1299)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The *Lake Classification* tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's Grand Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Elizabeth trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP No Trend, $R^2 = 0.05$, p = 0.40), total nitrogen (TN No Trend, $R^2 = 0.02$, p = 0.56), chlorophyll (CHL No Trend, $R^2 = 0.06$, p = 0.36) and Secchi depth (Secchi No Trend, $R^2 = 0.02$, p = 0.59).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Gwynn Oaks in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 µg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Table 2. Long-term trophic state data collected monthly by LAKEWATCH volunteers and classification variables color and specific conductance (collected quarterly). Values in bold can be used with Table 1 to evaluate compliance with nutrient criteria.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	710 - 710	710 (1)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	1121 - 1121	1121 (1)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	21 - 21	21 (1)
Secchi (ft)	-	(0)
Secchi (m)	-	(0)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	-	(0)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	-	(0)
Lake Classification		

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in **bold** can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Gwynn Oaks
GNIS Number	
Latitude	29.6525
Longitude	-82.3893
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	1999 to 1999
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP6
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	710 (710 to 710)
TN Zone	TN4
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	1121 (1121 to 1121)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Hammocks in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 μg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

 Table 2. Long-term trophic state data collected monthly by LAKEWATCH volunteers and

 classification variables color and specific conductance (collected quarterly). Values in bold can be used

 with Table 1 to evaluate compliance with nutrient criteria.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	160 - 303	232 (6)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	777 - 2240	1441 (6)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	8 - 100	41 (6)
Secchi (ft)	1.1 - 4.8	2.3 (6)
Secchi (m)	0.3 - 1.5	0.7 (6)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	27 - 48	35 (4)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	254 - 305	285 (3)
Lake Classification	Clear Hardwater	

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in **bold** can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Hammocks
GNIS Number	
Latitude	29.7068
Longitude	-82.4429
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	1991 to 2009
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Hypereutrophic
TP Zone	TP6
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	232 (160 to 303)
TN Zone	TN4
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	1441 (777 to 2240)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The *Lake Classification* tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's Grand Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

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- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
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- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Hammocks trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP No Trend, $R^2 = 0.57$, p = 0.08), total nitrogen (TN No Trend, $R^2 = 0.57$, p = 0.08), chlorophyll (CHL No Trend, $R^2 = 0.26$, p = 0.30) and Secchi depth (Secchi Decreasing, $R^2 = 0.80$, p = 0.02).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Hidden in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

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Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Table 2. Long-term trophic state data collected monthly by LAKEWATCH volunteers and classification variables color and specific conductance (collected quarterly). Values in bold can be used with Table 1 to evaluate compliance with nutrient criteria.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	59 - 437	121 (7)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	958 - 2127	1322 (7)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	4 - 77	22 (7)
Secchi (ft)	2.2 - 9.0	3.6 (7)
Secchi (m)	0.7 - 2.7	1.1 (7)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	31 - 105	61 (7)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	185 - 201	190 (3)
Lake Classification	Colored	

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Hidden
GNIS Number	
Latitude	29.7226
Longitude	-82.3506
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	4 ha or 9 acre
Period of Record (year)	2003 to 2009
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	121 (59 to 437)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	1322 (958 to 2127)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The *Lake Classification* tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Hidden trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP No Trend, $R^2 = 0.00$, p = 0.89), total nitrogen (TN No Trend, $R^2 = 0.04$, p = 0.66), chlorophyll (CHL No Trend, $R^2 = 0.30$, p = 0.20) and Secchi depth (Secchi No Trend, $R^2 = 0.22$, p = 0.29).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Holden Pond in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Table 2. Long-term trophic state data collected monthly by LAKEWATCH volunteers and classification variables color and specific conductance (collected quarterly). Values in bold can be used with Table 1 to evaluate compliance with nutrient criteria.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	21 - 114	47 (11)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	772 - 1226	1003 (11)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	8 - 38	19 (11)
Secchi (ft)	2.5 - 5.8	3.5 (11)
Secchi (m)	0.8 - 1.8	1.1 (11)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	38 - 168	89 (9)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	59 - 68	62 (3)
Lake Classification	Colored	

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Holden Pond
GNIS Number	284137
Latitude	29.5639
Longitude	-82.0589
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	32 ha or 80 acre
Period of Record (year)	2000 to 2020
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	47 (21 to 114)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	1003 (772 to 1226)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Holden Pond trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP Increasing, $R^2 = 0.49$, p = 0.02), total nitrogen (TN No Trend, $R^2 = 0.22$, p = 0.15), chlorophyll (CHL No Trend, $R^2 = 0.05$, p = 0.53) and Secchi depth (Secchi No Trend, $R^2 = 0.14$, p = 0.26).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Holly Forest in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 μg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Table 2. Long-term trophic state data collected monthly by LAKEWATCH volunteers and classification variables color and specific conductance (collected quarterly). Values in bold can be used with Table 1 to evaluate compliance with nutrient criteria.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	205 - 205	205 (1)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	1174 - 1174	1174 (1)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	25 - 25	25 (1)
Secchi (ft)	2.6 - 2.6	2.6 (1)
Secchi (m)	0.8 - 0.8	0.8 (1)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	-	(0)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	-	(0)
Lake Classification		

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Holly Forest
GNIS Number	
Latitude	29.6461
Longitude	-82.3875
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	1999 to 1999
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP6
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	205 (205 to 205)
TN Zone	TN4
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	1174 (1174 to 1174)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The *Lake Classification* tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

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- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Ironwood A in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Table 1.	Florida	Department of	of Environm	ental Protecti	on's Nume	eric Nutrien	t Criteria	for lakes.
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Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Table 2. Long-term trophic state data collected monthly by LAKEWATCH volunteers and classification variables color and specific conductance (collected quarterly). Values in bold can be used with Table 1 to evaluate compliance with nutrient criteria.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	232 - 270	247 (3)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	3406 - 5300	4099 (3)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	168 - 229	205 (3)
Secchi (ft)	0.5 - 0.8	0.6 (3)
Secchi (m)	0.2 - 0.2	0.2 (3)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	-	(0)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	-	(0)
Lake Classification		

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Ironwood A
GNIS Number	
Latitude	29.6883
Longitude	-82.2918
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	1997 to 2001
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Hypereutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	247 (232 to 270)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	4099 (3406 to 5300)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Ironwood B in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 μg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Table 2. Long-term trophic state data collected monthly by LAKEWATCH volunteers and classification variables color and specific conductance (collected quarterly). Values in bold can be used with Table 1 to evaluate compliance with nutrient criteria.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	35 - 210	95 (3)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	1030 - 2099	1414 (3)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	57 - 118	82 (3)
Secchi (ft)	0.8 - 1.4	1.1 (2)
Secchi (m)	0.2 - 0.4	0.3 (2)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	-	(0)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	-	(0)
Lake Classification		

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Ironwood B
GNIS Number	
Latitude	29.6891
Longitude	-82.2900
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	1997 to 2001
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Hypereutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	95 (35 to 210)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	1414 (1030 to 2099)


- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The *Lake Classification* tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Ironwood C in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Table 1.	Florida	Department of	of Environm	ental Protecti	on's Nume	eric Nutrient	t Criteria	for lakes.
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Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	259 - 375	318 (3)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	3851 - 6690	5246 (3)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	223 - 287	254 (3)
Secchi (ft)	0.4 - 0.7	0.5 (3)
Secchi (m)	0.1 - 0.2	0.2 (3)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	-	(0)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	-	(0)
Lake Classification		

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
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- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Ironwood C
GNIS Number	
Latitude	29.6905
Longitude	-82.2893
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	1997 to 2001
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Hypereutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	318 (259 to 375)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	5246 (3851 to 6690)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

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- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
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- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Ironwood D in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

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Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

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- Specific Conductance (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
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> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	284 - 492	378 (3)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	3132 - 4800	4118 (3)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	145 - 359	205 (3)
Secchi (ft)	0.5 - 0.6	0.5 (3)
Secchi (m)	0.1 - 0.2	0.2 (3)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	-	(0)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	-	(0)
Lake Classification		

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Ironwood D
GNIS Number	
Latitude	29.6908
Longitude	-82.2891
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	1997 to 2001
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Hypereutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	378 (284 to 492)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	4118 (3132 to 4800)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The *Lake Classification* tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

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- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Ironwood E in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

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For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

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b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Table 1.	Florida	Department of	of Environm	ental Protecti	on's Nume	eric Nutrient	t Criteria	for lakes.
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Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 μg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	250 - 386	312 (3)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	3634 - 10175	5565 (3)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	169 - 323	220 (3)
Secchi (ft)	0.5 - 0.6	0.5 (3)
Secchi (m)	0.2 - 0.2	0.2 (3)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	-	(0)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	-	(0)
Lake Classification		

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- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
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- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
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- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
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- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Ironwood E
GNIS Number	
Latitude	29.6869
Longitude	-82.2897
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	1997 to 2001
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Hypereutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	312 (250 to 386)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	5565 (3634 to 10175)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

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- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Ironwood F in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

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a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
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- 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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	40 - 190	97 (3)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	910 - 1852	1392 (3)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	12 - 95	45 (3)
Secchi (ft)	1.2 - 4.4	2.1 (3)
Secchi (m)	0.4 - 1.3	0.6 (3)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	-	(0)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	-	(0)
Lake Classification		

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- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Ironwood F
GNIS Number	
Latitude	29.6889
Longitude	-82.3006
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	1997 to 2001
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Hypereutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	97 (40 to 190)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	1392 (910 to 1852)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The *Lake Classification* tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
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- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
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- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentratio

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Introduction for Lakes

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a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

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Table 1.	Florida	Department	of Environn	nental Prote	ction's Nun	neric Nutrie	ent Criteria	for lakes.
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Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
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Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	105 - 178	133 (3)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	1558 - 2069	1807 (3)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	27 - 85	56 (3)
Secchi (ft)	1.3 - 2.5	1.7 (3)
Secchi (m)	0.4 - 0.8	0.5 (3)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	-	(0)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	-	(0)
Lake Classification		

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Ironwood G
GNIS Number	
Latitude	29.6905
Longitude	-82.3009
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	1997 to 2001
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Hypereutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	133 (105 to 178)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	1807 (1558 to 2069)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Ironwood H in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 μg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	116 - 345	240 (3)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	990 - 1655	1274 (3)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	31 - 96	62 (3)
Secchi (ft)	1.6 - 4.3	2.4 (3)
Secchi (m)	0.5 - 1.3	0.7 (3)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	-	(0)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	-	(0)
Lake Classification		

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Ironwood H
GNIS Number	
Latitude	29.6909
Longitude	-82.2912
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	1997 to 2001
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Hypereutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	240 (116 to 345)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	1274 (990 to 1655)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The *Lake Classification* tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Jeffords in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

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For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Table 1.	Florida	Department of	of Environm	ental Protect	tion's Num	eric Nutrie	nt Criteria	for lakes.
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Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 μg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	46 - 58	52 (2)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	509 - 533	521 (2)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	6 - 7	6 (2)
Secchi (ft)	2.4 - 2.9	2.6 (2)
Secchi (m)	0.7 - 0.9	0.8 (2)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	116 - 116	116 (1)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	75 - 75	75 (1)
Lake Classification	Colored	

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Jeffords
GNIS Number	
Latitude	29.5489
Longitude	-82.0953
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	25 ha or 162 acre
Period of Record (year)	2021 to 2022
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Mesotrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	52 (46 to 58)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	521 (509 to 533)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Johnson Pond in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	138 - 301	186 (3)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	1291 - 2579	1808 (3)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	93 - 378	202 (3)
Secchi (ft)	1.5 - 2.7	2.1 (3)
Secchi (m)	0.5 - 0.8	0.6 (3)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	-	(0)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	-	(0)
Lake Classification		

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in **bold** can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Johnson Pond
GNIS Number	
Latitude	29.7234
Longitude	-82.3485
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	1992 to 1994
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Hypereutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	186 (138 to 301)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	1808 (1291 to 2579)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The *Lake Classification* tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Jonesville Quarry in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Table 1.	Florida	Department of	of Environm	ental Protect	tion's Num	eric Nutrie	nt Criteria	for lakes.
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Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 μg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	42 - 42	42 (1)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	720 - 720	720 (1)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	26 - 26	26 (1)
Secchi (ft)	3.1 - 3.1	3.1 (1)
Secchi (m)	1.0 - 1.0	1.0 (1)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	18 - 18	18 (1)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	190 - 190	190 (1)
Lake Classification	Clear Hardwater	

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Jonesville Quarry
GNIS Number	
Latitude	29.6821
Longitude	-82.5332
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	2022 to 2022
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP6
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	42 (42 to 42)
TN Zone	TN4
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	720 (720 to 720)


- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Kingswood in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Table 1.	Florida	Department of	of Environn	nental Prote	ction's Nun	neric Nutrie	ent Criteria	for lakes.
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Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum	Grand Geometric Mean	
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	17 - 645	115 (23)	
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	677 - 2338	1184 (23)	
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	3 - 45	10 (23)	
Secchi (ft)	1.1 - 6.3	2.8 (23)	
Secchi (m)	0.3 - 1.9	0.8 (23)	
Color (Pt-Co Units)	28 - 349	108 (18)	
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	83 - 115	103 (13)	
Lake Classification	Colored		

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Kingswood
GNIS Number	
Latitude	29.6692
Longitude	-82.4005
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	1996 to 2021
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP6
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	115 (17 to 645)
TN Zone	TN4
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	1184 (677 to 2338)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

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Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Kingswood trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP Increasing, $R^2 = 0.32$, p = 0.00), total nitrogen (TN Increasing, $R^2 = 0.25$, p = 0.02), chlorophyll (CHL No Trend, $R^2 = 0.10$, p = 0.14) and Secchi depth (Secchi Decreasing, $R^2 = 0.40$, p = 0.00).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Little Orange in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

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Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
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- 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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)	
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	28 - 178	54 (24)	
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	702 - 1186	987 (24)	
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	6 - 25	15 (24)	
Secchi (ft)	2.1 - 4.6	3.3 (24)	
Secchi (m)	0.6 - 1.4	1.0 (24)	
Color (Pt-Co Units)	50 - 278	103 (11)	
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	61 - 75	67 (5)	
Lake Classification	Colored		

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Little Orange
GNIS Number	285749
Latitude	29.5776
Longitude	-82.0632
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	274 ha or 679 acre
Period of Record (year)	1989 to 2020
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	54 (28 to 178)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	987 (702 to 1186)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Little Orange trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP Increasing, $R^2 = 0.26$, p = 0.01), total nitrogen (TN No Trend, $R^2 = 0.02$, p = 0.52), chlorophyll (CHL No Trend, $R^2 = 0.05$, p = 0.27) and Secchi depth (Secchi Decreasing, $R^2 = 0.19$, p = 0.03).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Little Santa Fe in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 μg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)	
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	7 - 67	17 (37)	
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	430 - 987	634 (37)	
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	4 - 22	9 (37)	
Secchi (ft)	2.3 - 8.4	4.3 (37)	
Secchi (m)	0.7 - 2.6	1.3 (37)	
Color (Pt-Co Units)	21 - 195	73 (22)	
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	67 - 96	79 (16)	
Lake Classification	Colored		

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in **bold** can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Little Santa Fe
GNIS Number	285810
Latitude	29.7664
Longitude	-82.0907
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	465 ha or 1135 acre
Period of Record (year)	1986 to 2022
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP3
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	17 (7 to 67)
TN Zone	TN3
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	634 (430 to 987)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

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- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Little Santa Fe trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP Increasing, $R^2 = 0.18$, p = 0.01), total nitrogen (TN Increasing, $R^2 = 0.38$, p = 0.00), chlorophyll (CHL Increasing, $R^2 = 0.41$, p = 0.00) and Secchi depth (Secchi Decreasing, $R^2 = 0.19$, p = 0.01).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Lochloosa in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 μg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	36 - 113	63 (28)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	1260 - 5218	1910 (28)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	11 - 250	54 (28)
Secchi (ft)	0.7 - 2.7	1.7 (28)
Secchi (m)	0.2 - 0.8	0.5 (28)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	35 - 278	97 (19)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	76 - 147	104 (15)
Lake Classification	Colored	

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Lochloosa
GNIS Number	294060
Latitude	29.5288
Longitude	-82.1267
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	2286 ha or 5648.7 acre
Period of Record (year)	1993 to 2022
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Hypereutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	63 (36 to 113)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	1910 (1260 to 5218)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

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- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Lochloosa trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP No Trend, $R^2 = 0.00$, p = 0.73), total nitrogen (TN No Trend, $R^2 = 0.08$, p = 0.15), chlorophyll (CHL No Trend, $R^2 = 0.11$, p = 0.09) and Secchi depth (Secchi Increasing, $R^2 = 0.22$, p = 0.01).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Melrose Bay in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/L):** Nutrient needed for aquatic plant/algae growth but only limiting when nitrogen to phosphorus ratios are generally less than 10 (by mass).
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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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Table 1.	Florida	Department of	of Environme	ental Protect	ion's Num	eric Nutrie	nt Criteria	for lakes.
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Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	8 - 24	14 (37)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	376 - 798	525 (37)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	3 - 19	8 (37)
Secchi (ft)	3.8 - 10.1	6.4 (37)
Secchi (m)	1.2 - 3.1	2.0 (37)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	10 - 91	39 (22)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	70 - 93	80 (16)
Lake Classification	Clear Softwater	

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- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Melrose Bay
GNIS Number	286691
Latitude	29.7139
Longitude	-82.0521
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	24 ha or 58 acre
Period of Record (year)	1986 to 2022
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP3
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	14 (8 to 24)
TN Zone	TN3
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	525 (376 to 798)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The *Lake Classification* tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Melrose Bay trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP Increasing, $R^2 = 0.40$, p = 0.00), total nitrogen (TN Increasing, $R^2 = 0.52$, p = 0.00), chlorophyll (CHL Increasing, $R^2 = 0.28$, p = 0.00) and Secchi depth (Secchi Decreasing, $R^2 = 0.40$, p = 0.00).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Meta in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 μg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	15 - 23	18 (2)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	473 - 620	542 (2)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	3 - 4	4 (2)
Secchi (ft)	6.5 - 6.5	6.5 (1)
Secchi (m)	2.0 - 2.0	2.0 (1)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	-	(0)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	-	(0)
Lake Classification		

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- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in **bold** can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Meta
GNIS Number	
Latitude	29.6701
Longitude	-82.3366
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	1998 to 1999
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Mesotrophic
TP Zone	TP6
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	18 (15 to 23)
TN Zone	TN4
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	542 (473 to 620)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The *Lake Classification* tells you which row to use in Table 1.
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 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
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Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Mize in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

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Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

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- 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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Table 1.	Florida	Department of	of Environm	ental Protecti	on's Nume	eric Nutrien	t Criteria	for lakes.
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Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated		
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation		
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual	
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen	
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L	
Colored Lakes						
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units						
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L	
or						
>100 µS/cm@25 C						
Clear Hard Water Lakes						
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units						
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L	
or			μg/L			
< 100 µS/cm@25 C						
Clear Soft Water Lakes						

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	12 - 148	34 (6)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	487 - 1058	732 (6)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	2 - 23	11 (6)
Secchi (ft)	1.8 - 6.6	3.5 (6)
Secchi (m)	0.5 - 2.0	1.1 (6)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	31 - 302	81 (6)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	66 - 66	66 (1)
Lake Classification	Colored	

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
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- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
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- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Mize
GNIS Number	287021
Latitude	29.7328
Longitude	-82.2197
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	2002 to 2007
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	34 (12 to 148)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	732 (487 to 1058)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The *Lake Classification* tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

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- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Mize trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP Decreasing, $R^2 = 0.72$, p = 0.03), total nitrogen (TN No Trend, $R^2 = 0.00$, p = 0.92), chlorophyll (CHL Decreasing, $R^2 = 0.76$, p = 0.02) and Secchi depth (Secchi No Trend, $R^2 = 0.38$, p = 0.19).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Moon in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

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| Long Term Geometric | Annual | Minimum | calculated | Maximum | calculated |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|------------------------|------------|------------------------|------------|
| Mean Lake Color and Long- | Geometric | numeric interpretation | | numeric interpretation | |
| Term Geometric Mean | Mean | Annual | Annual | Annual | Annual |
| Color, Alkalinity and | Chlorophyll- | Geometric | Geometric | Geometric | Geometric |
| Specific Conductance | corrected | Mean Total | Mean Total | Mean Total | Mean Total |
| | | Phosphorus | Nitrogen | Phosphorus | Nitrogen |
| > 40 Platinum Cobalt Units | 20 µg/L | 50 µg/L | 1270 μg/L | 160 µg/L ¹ | 2230 µg/L |
| Colored Lakes | | | | | |
| \leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units | | | | | |
| and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$ | 20 µg/L | 30 µg/L | 1050 µg/L | 90 µg/L | 1910 µg/L |
| or | | | | | |
| >100 µS/cm@25 C | | | | | |
| Clear Hard Water Lakes | | | | | |
| \leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units | | | | | |
| and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$ | 6 µg/L | 10 µg/L | 510 | 30 µg/L | 930 μg/L |
| or | | | μg/L | | |
| < 100 µS/cm@25 C | | | | | |
| Clear Soft Water Lakes | | | | | |

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Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	146 - 362	284 (10)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	667 - 1179	875 (10)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	1 - 162	15 (11)
Secchi (ft)	3.0 - 11.3	5.0 (11)
Secchi (m)	0.9 - 3.4	1.5 (11)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	36 - 102	46 (8)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	121 - 132	126 (3)
Lake Classification	Colored	

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Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Moon
GNIS Number	
Latitude	29.6804
Longitude	-82.4063
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	1994 to 2022
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP6
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	284 (146 to 362)
TN Zone	TN4
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	875 (667 to 1179)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
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- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
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Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

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- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
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Figure 2. Lake Moon trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP Increasing, $R^2 = 0.75$, p = 0.00), total nitrogen (TN No Trend, $R^2 = 0.13$, p = 0.30), chlorophyll (CHL No Trend, $R^2 = 0.00$, p = 0.85) and Secchi depth (Secchi No Trend, $R^2 = 0.00$, p = 0.96).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Moss in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

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Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum	calculated	Maximum	calculated
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Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
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Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
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or			μg/L		
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Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	14 - 46	24 (9)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	673 - 1003	808 (9)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	5 - 18	9 (9)
Secchi (ft)	3.9 - 8.8	5.4 (9)
Secchi (m)	1.2 - 2.7	1.7 (9)
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GNIS Number	287176
Latitude	29.5597
Longitude	-82.0566
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	2001 to 2020
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	24 (14 to 46)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	808 (673 to 1003)



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Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	66 - 298	131 (26)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	1863 - 11500	2900 (26)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	23 - 467	116 (26)
Secchi (ft)	0.7 - 2.0	1.1 (26)
Secchi (m)	0.2 - 0.6	0.3 (26)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	40 - 306	116 (18)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	67 - 135	86 (14)
Lake Classification	Colored	

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County	Alachua
Name	Newnan
GNIS Number	294429
Latitude	29.6206
Longitude	-82.2373
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	3006 ha or 7427 acre
Period of Record (year)	1993 to 2022
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Hypereutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	131 (66 to 298)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	2900 (1863 to 11500)



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Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Newnan trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP No Trend, $R^2 = 0.01$, p = 0.56), total nitrogen (TN No Trend, $R^2 = 0.12$, p = 0.08), chlorophyll (CHL Decreasing, $R^2 = 0.39$, p = 0.00) and Secchi depth (Secchi Increasing, $R^2 = 0.35$, p = 0.00).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Orange in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	28 - 303	69 (27)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	1046 - 5483	1712 (27)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	11 - 282	35 (27)
Secchi (ft)	1.2 - 4.0	2.4 (26)
Secchi (m)	0.4 - 1.2	0.7 (26)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	34 - 292	98 (18)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	69 - 124	92 (15)
Lake Classification	Colored	

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Orange
GNIS Number	288216
Latitude	29.4865
Longitude	-82.1946
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	5609 ha or 13859 acre
Period of Record (year)	1993 to 2022
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	69 (28 to 303)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	1712 (1046 to 5483)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Orange trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP No Trend, $R^2 = 0.00$, p = 0.73), total nitrogen (TN No Trend, $R^2 = 0.02$, p = 0.51), chlorophyll (CHL No Trend, $R^2 = 0.03$, p = 0.38) and Secchi depth (Secchi No Trend, $R^2 = 0.00$, p = 0.79).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Potano Ponds in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 μg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	35 - 65	50 (5)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	1386 - 2544	1798 (5)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	23 - 40	29 (5)
Secchi (ft)	2.3 - 3.2	2.8 (5)
Secchi (m)	0.7 - 1.0	0.9 (5)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	67 - 116	86 (4)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	55 - 64	59 (4)
Lake Classification	Colored	

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- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Potano Ponds
GNIS Number	
Latitude	29.6435
Longitude	-82.2593
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	2006 to 2010
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	50 (35 to 65)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	1798 (1386 to 2544)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The *Lake Classification* tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

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- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Potano Ponds trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP No Trend, $R^2 = 0.44$, p = 0.22), total nitrogen (TN No Trend, $R^2 = 0.26$, p = 0.38), chlorophyll (CHL No Trend, $R^2 = 0.48$, p = 0.20) and Secchi depth (Secchi No Trend, $R^2 = 0.02$, p = 0.84).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Santa Fe in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	6 - 25	13 (37)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	355 - 774	518 (37)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	3 - 21	7 (37)
Secchi (ft)	3.7 - 11.7	6.6 (37)
Secchi (m)	1.1 - 3.6	2.0 (37)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	11 - 91	32 (34)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	71 - 93	81 (16)
Lake Classification	Clear Softwater	

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
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- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Santa Fe
GNIS Number	290657
Latitude	29.7305
Longitude	-82.0668
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	2011 ha or 4970 acre
Period of Record (year)	1986 to 2022
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP3
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	13 (6 to 25)
TN Zone	TN3
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	518 (355 to 774)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The *Lake Classification* tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Santa Fe trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP Increasing, $R^2 = 0.43$, p = 0.00), total nitrogen (TN Increasing, $R^2 = 0.53$, p = 0.00), chlorophyll (CHL Increasing, $R^2 = 0.22$, p = 0.00) and Secchi depth (Secchi Decreasing, $R^2 = 0.39$, p = 0.00).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Santa Fe-barricade in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	15 - 65	25 (20)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	580 - 1218	788 (20)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	9 - 64	17 (20)
Secchi (ft)	0.4 - 5.2	3.2 (20)
Secchi (m)	0.1 - 1.6	1.0 (20)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	52 - 105	71 (15)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	69 - 92	79 (15)
Lake Classification	Colored	

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Santa Fe-barricade
GNIS Number	290657
Latitude	29.7143
Longitude	-82.0623
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	2001 to 2022
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP3
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	25 (15 to 65)
TN Zone	TN3
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	788 (580 to 1218)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The *Lake Classification* tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Santa Fe-barricade trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP Decreasing, $R^2 = 0.31$, p = 0.01), total nitrogen (TN Decreasing, $R^2 = 0.53$, p = 0.00), chlorophyll (CHL No Trend, $R^2 = 0.12$, p = 0.14) and Secchi depth (Secchi Increasing, $R^2 = 0.70$, p = 0.00).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Santa Fe-canal mouth in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	10 - 22	15 (22)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	393 - 757	602 (22)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	5 - 18	8 (22)
Secchi (ft)	1.0 - 6.6	4.3 (20)
Secchi (m)	0.3 - 2.0	1.3 (20)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	28 - 85	47 (15)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	67 - 92	79 (15)
Lake Classification	Colored	
The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
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- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Santa Fe-canal mouth
GNIS Number	290657
Latitude	29.7166
Longitude	-82.0622
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	2001 to 2022
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP3
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	15 (10 to 22)
TN Zone	TN3
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	602 (393 to 757)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

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- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Santa Fe-canal mouth trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP No Trend, $R^2 = 0.01$, p = 0.66), total nitrogen (TN No Trend, $R^2 = 0.06$, p = 0.27), chlorophyll (CHL No Trend, $R^2 = 0.05$, p = 0.31) and Secchi depth (Secchi Increasing, $R^2 = 0.64$, p = 0.00).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Santa Fe-Painter Canal in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	17 - 41	24 (18)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	582 - 1054	762 (18)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	11 - 28	18 (18)
Secchi (ft)	2.2 - 5.6	4.0 (18)
Secchi (m)	0.7 - 1.7	1.2 (18)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	48 - 99	69 (15)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	69 - 90	78 (15)
Lake Classification	Colored	

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Santa Fe-Painter Canal
GNIS Number	290657
Latitude	29.7122
Longitude	-82.0623
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	2005 to 2022
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP3
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	24 (17 to 41)
TN Zone	TN3
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	762 (582 to 1054)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Santa Fe-Painter Canal trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP No Trend, $R^2 = 0.03$, p = 0.52), total nitrogen (TN Decreasing, $R^2 = 0.49$, p = 0.00), chlorophyll (CHL No Trend, $R^2 = 0.00$, p = 0.78) and Secchi depth (Secchi Increasing, $R^2 = 0.42$, p = 0.00).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Surya Kund in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 μg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	224 - 224	224 (1)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	1590 - 1590	1590 (1)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	14 - 14	14 (1)
Secchi (ft)	2.1 - 2.1	2.1 (1)
Secchi (m)	0.6 - 0.6	0.6 (1)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	169 - 169	169 (1)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	59 - 59	59 (1)
Lake Classification	Colored	

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Surya Kund
GNIS Number	
Latitude	29.8082
Longitude	-82.4870
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	. ha or . acre
Period of Record (year)	2020 to 2020
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Eutrophic
TP Zone	TP6
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	224 (224 to 224)
TN Zone	TN4
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	1590 (1590 to 1590)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The *Lake Classification* tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Watermelon Pond in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Table 1.	Florida	Department of	of Environn	nental Prote	ction's Nun	neric Nutrie	ent Criteria	for lakes.
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Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 µg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	2 - 10	7 (9)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	541 - 910	699 (9)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	2 - 4	3 (9)
Secchi (ft)	2.3 - 8.3	5.5 (5)
Secchi (m)	0.7 - 2.5	1.7 (5)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	16 - 26	21 (3)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	18 - 21	19 (3)
Lake Classification	Clear Softwater	

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Watermelon Pond
GNIS Number	292934
Latitude	29.5502
Longitude	-82.6113
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	215 ha or 531 acre
Period of Record (year)	1988 to 2022
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Oligotrophic
TP Zone	TP3
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	7 (2 to 10)
TN Zone	TN4
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	699 (541 to 910)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

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- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Watermelon Pond trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP No Trend, $R^2 = 0.27$, p = 0.15), total nitrogen (TN Increasing, $R^2 = 0.79$, p = 0.00), chlorophyll (CHL Increasing, $R^2 = 0.57$, p = 0.02) and Secchi depth (Secchi No Trend, $R^2 = 0.77$, p = 0.05).



Florida LAKEWATCH Report for Wauberg in Alachua County Using Data Downloaded 12/9/2022

Introduction for Lakes

This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. Part one allows the comparison of data with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Part two allows a comparison of the long-term mean nutrient concentrations with nutrient zone concentrations published by LAKEWATCH staff (Bachmann et al. 2012; https://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/resources/bibliography/). Finally, this report examines data for long-term trends that may be occurring in individual systems but only for systems with <u>five or more</u> years of data. Step by step instructions on how to use the data tables are provided on page 4 of this report.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nutrient Criteria for Lakes (Table 1)

For lakes, the numeric interpretations of the nutrient criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., based on chlorophyll are shown in Table 1. The applicable interpretations for TN and TP will vary on an annual basis, depending on the availability and concentration of chlorophyll data for the lake. The numeric interpretations for TN, TP, and chlorophyll shall not be exceeded more than once in any consecutive three year period.

a. If annual geometric mean chlorophyll does not exceed the chlorophyll value for one of three lake classification groups listed in the table below, then the TN and TP numeric interpretations for that calendar year shall be the annual geometric means of the maximum calculated numeric interpretation in Table 1.

b. If there are insufficient data to calculate the annual geometric mean chlorophyll for a given year or the annual geometric mean chlorophyll exceeds the values in Table 1 for the correct lake classification group, then the applicable numeric interpretations for TN and TP shall be the minimum values in Table 1.

- Total Phosphorus (µg/L): Nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen (µg/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 (μ S/cm@25°C): Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.
- Lake Classification: Numeric nutrient criteria for Florida require that lakes must first be classified into one of three group based on color and alkalinity or specific conductance; colored lakes (color greater than 40 Pt-Co units), clear soft water lakes (color less than or equal to 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity less than or equal to 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance less than or equal to 100 µs/cm @25 C), and clear hard water lakes (color less than 40 Pt-Co units and alkalinity greater than 20 mg/L as CaCO₃ or specific conductance greater 100 µS/cm @ 25 C).

Long Term Geometric	Annual	Minimum calculated		Maximum calculated	
Mean Lake Color and Long-	Geometric	numeric interpretation		numeric interpretation	
Term Geometric Mean	Mean	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Color, Alkalinity and	Chlorophyll-	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric	Geometric
Specific Conductance	corrected	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total	Mean Total
		Phosphorus	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
> 40 Platinum Cobalt Units	20 µg/L	50 µg/L	1270 μg/L	160 µg/L ¹	2230 µg/L
Colored Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $> 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	20 µg/L	30 µg/L	1050 µg/L	90 µg/L	1910 µg/L
or					
>100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Hard Water Lakes					
\leq 40 Platinum Cobalt Units					
and $\leq 20 \text{ mg/L CaCO}_3$	6 µg/L	10 µg/L	510	30 µg/L	930 μg/L
or			μg/L		
< 100 µS/cm@25 C					
Clear Soft Water Lakes					

For the purpose of subparagraph 62-302.531(2)(b)1., F.A.C., color shall be assessed as true color and shall be free from turbidity. Lake color and alkalinity shall be the long-term geometric mean, based on a minimum of ten data points over at least three years with at least one data point in each year. If insufficient alkalinity data are available, long-term geometric mean specific conductance values shall be used, with a value of <100 μ S/cm@25 C used to estimate the mg/L CaCO₃ alkalinity concentration until such time that alkalinity data are available.

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus (µg/L)	84 - 197	123 (33)
Total Nitrogen (µg/L)	1440 - 3340	2005 (33)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected (µg/L)	55 - 168	91 (33)
Secchi (ft)	0.5 - 2.3	1.5 (33)
Secchi (m)	0.2 - 0.7	0.5 (33)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	20 - 66	39 (22)
Specific Conductance (µS/cm@25 C)	81 - 118	97 (16)
Lake Classification	Clear Softwater	

The long-term data summary will include the following parameters listed with a definition after each one:

- County: Name of county in which the lake resides.
- Name: Lake name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- GNIS Number: Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- Latitude and Longitude: Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.
- Water Body Type: Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- Surface Area (ha and acre): LAKEWATCH lists the surface area of a lake if it is available.
- Mean Depth (m and ft): This mean depth is calculated from multiple depth finder transects across a lake that LAKEWATCH uses for estimating plant abundances.
- Period of Record (year): Years a lake has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **TP Zone and TN Zone:** Nutrient zones defined by Bachmann et al (2012).
- Long-Term TP and TN Geometric Mean Concentration ($\mu g/L$: min and max): Grand Geometric Means of all annual geometric means ($\mu g/L$) with minimum and maximum annual geometric means.
- Lake Trophic Status (CHL): Tropic state classification using the long-term chlorophyll average.

Table 3. Base File Data, long-term nutrient grand geometric means and Nutrient Zone classification listing the 90th percentile concentrations in Figure 1. Values in bold can be used for Nutrient Zone comparisons.

County	Alachua
Name	Wauberg
GNIS Number	292948
Latitude	29.5249
Longitude	-82.3019
Water Body Type	Lake
Surface Area (ha and acre)	150 ha or 370.6 acre
Period of Record (year)	1990 to 2022
Lake Trophic Status (CHL)	Hypereutrophic
TP Zone	TP4
Grand TP Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	123 (84 to 197)
TN Zone	TN5
Grand TN Geometric Mean Concentration (µg/L, min. and max.)	2005 (1440 to 3340)



- 1. Identify your lake's *Lake Classification* in Table 2 (Colored, Clear Hard Water, or Clear Soft Water) (if no classification is listed then there is not enough data available to classify your lake).
 - a. The Lake Classification tells you which row to use in Table 1.
- 2. Identify your waterbody's *Grand Geometric Mean* Chlorophyll-uncorrected in Table 2.
 - a. Compare this number to the Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected (2nd column) in Table 1.
 - b. If your lake's Chlorophyll-uncorrected concentration is greater than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Minimum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
 - c. If your lake's *Chlorophyll-uncorrected* concentration is less than the *Annual Geometric Mean Chlorophyll-corrected* concentration use the *Maximum calculated numeric interpretation* columns.
- 3. Identify your lake's Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen *Grand Geometric Mean* concentration in Table 2 and compare them to the appropriate *Annual Geometric Mean Total Phosphorus* and *Annual Geometric Mean Total Nitrogen* values in Table 1.
- 4. If your lake's concentrations from Table 2 are greater than FDEP's NNC values from Table 1, your lake may be considered impaired. If they are below, it may be considered unimpaired.

Nutrient Zones and "Natural Background"

Administrative code definitions 62-302.200 (19): "Natural background" shall mean the condition of waters in the absence of man-induced alterations based on the best scientific information available to the Department. The establishment of natural background for an altered waterbody may be based upon a similar unaltered waterbody, historical pre-alteration data, paleolimnological examination of sediment cores, or examination of geology and soils. When determining natural background conditions for a lake, the lake's location and regional characteristics as described and depicted in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency document titled Lake Regions of Florida (EPA/R-97/127, dated 1997, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Corvallis, OR) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06267), which is incorporated by reference herein, shall also be considered. The lake regions in this document are grouped Nutrient Zones according to ambient total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentrations listed in Table 1 found in Bachmann, R. W., Bigham D. L., Hoyer M. V., Canfield D. E, Jr. 2012. A strategy for establishing numeric nutrient criteria for Florida lakes. Lake Reservoir Management. 28:84-92.

- 1. Identify your lake's TP Zone in Table 3.
 - a. Locate this TP Zone (left map) and its corresponding nutrient concentration in Figure 1.
- 2. Locate your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration value in Table 3.
- 3. Compare your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration from Table 3 to the appropriate TP Zone nutrient concentration from Figure 1.
 - a. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is higher than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is above "Natural Background".
 - b. If your lake's Long-Term Grand Geometric Mean TP Concentration number is lower than the TP zone nutrient concentration, your lake's nutrient concentration is within "Natural Background".
- 4. Repeat these same steps with the TN Zone and Long-term Grand Geometric Mean TN Concentration

Figure 2. Lake Wauberg trend plots of year by average. The R^2 value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the R^2 the stronger the relation) and the p value indicates if the relation is significant (p < 0.05 is significant). Total phosphorus (TP Increasing, $R^2 = 0.14$, p = 0.03), total nitrogen (TN Increasing, $R^2 = 0.21$, p = 0.01), chlorophyll (CHL No Trend, $R^2 = 0.10$, p = 0.07) and Secchi depth (Secchi Decreasing, $R^2 = 0.28$, p = 0.00).

