

**LAKEWATCH Report for Brushy Creek-SR64 in Hardee County**  
**Watershed Region: West Central**  
**Using Data Downloaded 1/31/22**

**Introduction for River/Streams**

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Table 2. Base File Data.

County	Hardee
Name	Brushy Creek-SR64
GNIS Number	279518
Water Body Type	River/Stream
Period of Record (years, range)	2 (2007 to 2008)
Latitude	27.4848
Longitude	-81.9677

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Total Phosphorus ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	50 - 1195	244 (2)
Total Nitrogen ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	851 - 3290	1673 (2)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	2 - 9	4 (2)
Secchi (ft)	2 - 2	2 (1)
Secchi (m)	0.6 - 0.6	0.6 (1)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	48 - 644	176 (2)
Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25 C}$ )	-	(0)

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County	Hardee
Name	Charlie Creek-SR64
GNIS Number	
Water Body Type	River/Stream
Period of Record (years, range)	3 (2007 to 2008)
Latitude	27.565
Longitude	-81.6377

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Total Phosphorus ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	237 - 1535	542 (3)
Total Nitrogen ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	1642 - 3160	2512 (3)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	5 - 41	11 (3)
Secchi (ft)	1.8 - 3	2.3 (2)
Secchi (m)	0.5 -0.9	0.9 (2)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	123 - 453	274 (3)
Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25 C}$ )	-	(0)

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County	Hardee
Name	Charlie Creek-SR66
GNIS Number	280322
Water Body Type	River/Stream
Period of Record (years, range)	3 (2007 to 2008)
Latitude	27.4584
Longitude	-81.6786

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Total Phosphorus ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	180 - 677	325 (3)
Total Nitrogen ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	752 - 1957	1357 (3)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	4 - 11	7 (3)
Secchi (ft)	1.1 - 2	1.5 (2)
Secchi (m)	0.3 - 0.6	0.6 (2)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	63 - 357	166 (3)
Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25 C}$ )	-	(0)

**LAKEWATCH Report for Hickory Creek-CR661 in Hardee County**  
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County	Hardee
Name	Hickory Creek-CR661
GNIS Number	283951
Water Body Type	River/Stream
Period of Record (years, range)	2 (2007 to 2008)
Latitude	27.4435
Longitude	-81.875

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Total Phosphorus ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	782 - 821	801 (2)
Total Nitrogen ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	524 - 2241	1083 (2)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	2 - 4	3 (2)
Secchi (ft)	-	(0)
Secchi (m)	-	(0)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	22 - 323	84 (2)
Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25 C}$ )	-	(0)



**LAKEWATCH Report for Oak Creek-CR634 in Hardee County**  
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County	Hardee
Name	Oak Creek-CR634
GNIS Number	294281
Water Body Type	River/Stream
Period of Record (years, range)	3 (2007 to 2008)
Latitude	27.3996
Longitude	-81.6152

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Total Nitrogen ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	1365 - 2048	1625 (3)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	6 - 8	7 (3)
Secchi (ft)	2.4 - 2.6	2.5 (2)
Secchi (m)	0.7 - 0.8	0.8 (2)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	93 - 220	146 (3)
Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25 C}$ )	-	(0)

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Secchi (ft)	3 - 3	3 (1)
Secchi (m)	0.9 -0.9	0.9 (1)
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- **Water Body Type:** Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- **Period of Record (years):** Number of years a system has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **Latitude and Longitude:** Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.

Table 2. Base File Data.

County	Hardee
Name	Peace River-CLR
GNIS Number	294288
Water Body Type	River/Stream
Period of Record (years, range)	3 (2007 to 2008)
Latitude	27.6462
Longitude	-81.8022

## Long-Term Data for River/Streams: Definitions

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

- **Total Phosphorus ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ ):** The nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ ):** Another nutrient needed for aquatic plant/algae growth but only limiting when nitrogen to phosphorus ratios are generally less than 10.
- **Chlorophyll-uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ ):** Chlorophyll concentrations are used to measure relative abundances of open water algal population.
- **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 filter out.
- **Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25}^\circ\text{C}$ ):** Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.

Table 3. Long-term trophic state data collected monthly by LAKEWATCH volunteers and color and specific conductance (collected quarterly).

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	2338 - 3061	2656 (3)
Total Nitrogen ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	1315 - 1755	1571 (3)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	4 - 12	7 (3)
Secchi (ft)	3 - 3	3 (1)
Secchi (m)	0.9 -0.9	0.9 (1)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	36 - 112	59 (3)
Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25 C}$ )	-	(0)

**LAKEWATCH Report for Troublesome Creek-SR64 in Hardee County**  
**Watershed Region: West Central**  
**Using Data Downloaded 1/31/22**

**Introduction for River/Streams**

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. The first part of this summary lists background data for each system, the second part lists the long-term data geometric means and ranges and the final part are the trend plots for nutrients, chlorophyll, and Secchi depth. **Plots were only made for systems with five or more years of data.**

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<https://www.flrules.org/gateway/RuleNo.asp?title=SURFACE%20WATER%20QUALITY%20STANDARDS&ID=62-302.531>).



Figure 1. Map showing nutrient thresholds areas for streams set forth by FDEP.

Table 1. The nutrient thresholds for streams are listed in table below along with the map showing zones.

Nutrient Watershed Region	Total Phosphorus Nutrient Threshold <sup>1</sup>	Total Nitrogen Nutrient Threshold <sup>1</sup>
Panhandle West	60 µg/L	670 µg/L
Panhandle East	180 µg/L	1030 µg/L
North Central	300 µg/L	1870 µg/L
Peninsular	120 µg/L	1540 µg/L
West Central	490 µg/L	1650 µg/L
South Florida	No numeric nutrient threshold. The narrative criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., applies.	No numeric nutrient threshold. The narrative criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., applies.

<sup>1</sup>These values are annual geometric mean concentrations not to be exceeded more than once in any three calendar year periods.

## Base File Data for River/Streams: Definitions

- **County:** Name of county in which the system resides.
- **Name:** Stream name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- **GNIS Number:** Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- **Water Body Type:** Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- **Period of Record (years):** Number of years a system has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **Latitude and Longitude:** Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.

Table 2. Base File Data.

County	Hardee
Name	Troublesome Creek-SR64
GNIS Number	292459
Water Body Type	River/Stream
Period of Record (years, range)	3 (2007 to 2008)
Latitude	27.4822
Longitude	-81.8618

## Long-Term Data for River/Streams: Definitions

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

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- **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 filter out.
- **Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25}^\circ\text{C}$ ):** Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.

Table 3. Long-term trophic state data collected monthly by LAKEWATCH volunteers and color and specific conductance (collected quarterly).

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	528 - 734	643 (3)
Total Nitrogen ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	3290 - 3757	3481 (3)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	1 - 2	1 (3)
Secchi (ft)	2.5 - 2.5	2.5 (1)
Secchi (m)	0.8 - 0.8	0.8 (1)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	46 - 180	75 (3)
Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25 C}$ )	-	(0)



**LAKEWATCH Report for Weeki Wachee-1 in Hernando County**  
**Watershed Region: Peninsular**  
**Using Data Downloaded 1/31/22**

**Introduction for River/Streams**

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. The first part of this summary lists background data for each system, the second part lists the long-term data geometric means and ranges and the final part are the trend plots for nutrients, chlorophyll, and Secchi depth. **Plots were only made for systems with five or more years of data.**

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Figure 1. Map showing nutrient thresholds areas for streams set forth by FDEP.

Table 1. The nutrient thresholds for streams are listed in table below along with the map showing zones.

Nutrient Watershed Region	Total Phosphorus Nutrient Threshold <sup>1</sup>	Total Nitrogen Nutrient Threshold <sup>1</sup>
Panhandle West	60 µg/L	670 µg/L
Panhandle East	180 µg/L	1030 µg/L
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Peninsular	120 µg/L	1540 µg/L
West Central	490 µg/L	1650 µg/L
South Florida	No numeric nutrient threshold. The narrative criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., applies.	No numeric nutrient threshold. The narrative criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., applies.

<sup>1</sup>These values are annual geometric mean concentrations not to be exceeded more than once in any three calendar year periods.

## Base File Data for River/Streams: Definitions

- **County:** Name of county in which the system resides.
- **Name:** Stream name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- **GNIS Number:** Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- **Water Body Type:** Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- **Period of Record (years):** Number of years a system has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **Latitude and Longitude:** Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.

Table 2. Base File Data.

County	Hernando
Name	Weeki Wachee-1
GNIS Number	292984
Water Body Type	River/Stream
Period of Record (years, range)	9 (2013 to 2021)
Latitude	28.5188
Longitude	-82.5758

## Long-Term Data for River/Streams: Definitions

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

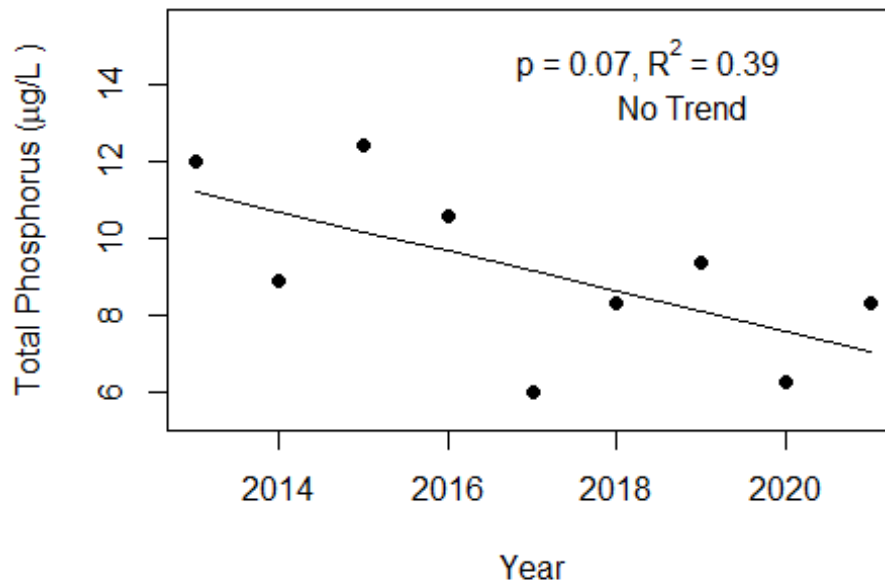
- **Total Phosphorus ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ ):** The nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ ):** Another nutrient needed for aquatic plant/algae growth but only limiting when nitrogen to phosphorus ratios are generally less than 10.
- **Chlorophyll-uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ ):** Chlorophyll concentrations are used to measure relative abundances of open water algal population.
- **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 filter out.
- **Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25}^\circ\text{C}$ ):** Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.

Table 3. Long-term trophic state data collected monthly by LAKEWATCH volunteers and color and specific conductance (collected quarterly).

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	6 - 12	9 (9)
Total Nitrogen ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	750 - 1002	900 (9)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	1 - 1	1 (9)
Secchi (ft)	1.8 - 115.6	15.4 (6)
Secchi (m)	0.5 -35.2	35.2 (6)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	1 - 5	2 (8)
Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25 C}$ )	175 - 286	233 (8)

Figure 2 and Figure 3. Trend plots of annual average total phosphorus and annual average total nitrogen versus year. 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). Trend status are reported on the plots.

### Weeki Wachee-1 (Hernando)



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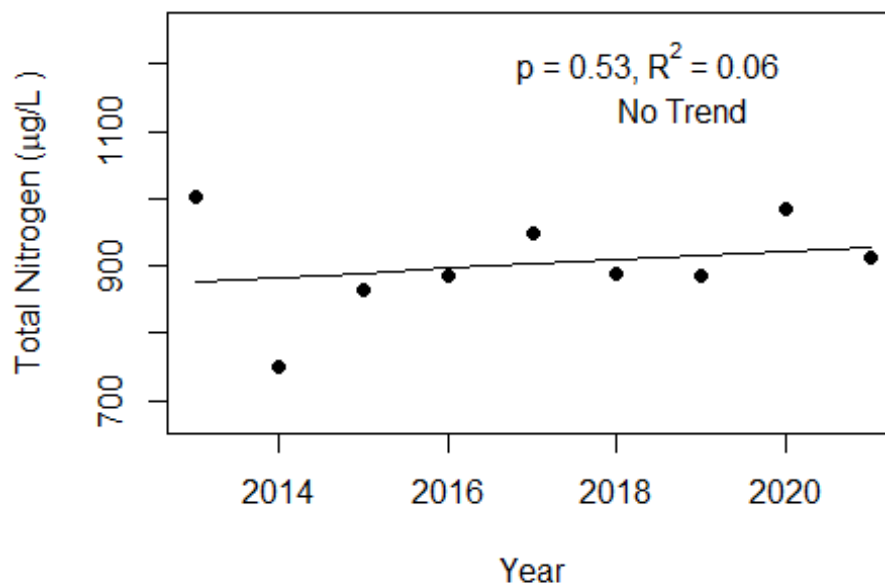
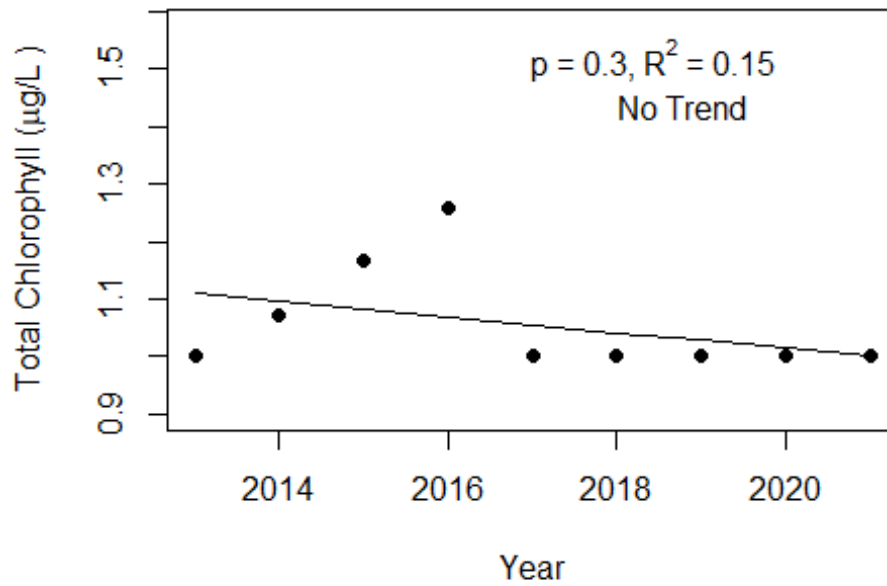
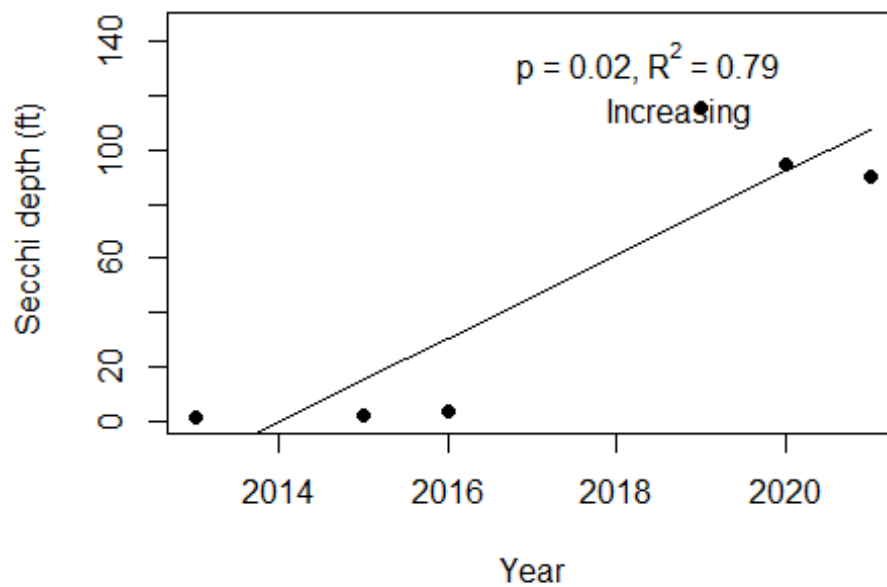


Figure 4 and Figure 5. Trend plots of annual average chlorophyll and annual average Secchi versus year. The  $R^2$  value indicates the strength of the relations (ranges from 0.0 to 1.0; higher the  $R^2$  the stronger the relations and the p value indicates if the relation is significant ( $p < 0.05$  is significant). Trend status are reported on plots.

### Weeki Wachee-1 (Hernando)



### Weeki Wachee-1 (Hernando)



**LAKEWATCH Report for Weeki Wachee-2 in Hernando County**  
**Watershed Region: Peninsular**  
**Using Data Downloaded 1/31/22**

**Introduction for River/Streams**

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. The first part of this summary lists background data for each system, the second part lists the long-term data geometric means and ranges and the final part are the trend plots for nutrients, chlorophyll, and Secchi depth. **Plots were only made for systems with five or more years of data.**

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Figure 1. Map showing nutrient thresholds areas for streams set forth by FDEP.

Table 1. The nutrient thresholds for streams are listed in table below along with the map showing zones.

Nutrient Watershed Region	Total Phosphorus Nutrient Threshold <sup>1</sup>	Total Nitrogen Nutrient Threshold <sup>1</sup>
Panhandle West	60 µg/L	670 µg/L
Panhandle East	180 µg/L	1030 µg/L
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Peninsular	120 µg/L	1540 µg/L
West Central	490 µg/L	1650 µg/L
South Florida	No numeric nutrient threshold. The narrative criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., applies.	No numeric nutrient threshold. The narrative criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., applies.

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## Base File Data for River/Streams: Definitions

- **County:** Name of county in which the system resides.
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- **GNIS Number:** Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- **Water Body Type:** Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- **Period of Record (years):** Number of years a system has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **Latitude and Longitude:** Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.

Table 2. Base File Data.

County	Hernando
Name	Weeki Wachee-2
GNIS Number	292984
Water Body Type	River/Stream
Period of Record (years, range)	9 (2013 to 2021)
Latitude	28.5298
Longitude	-82.607

## Long-Term Data for River/Streams: Definitions

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

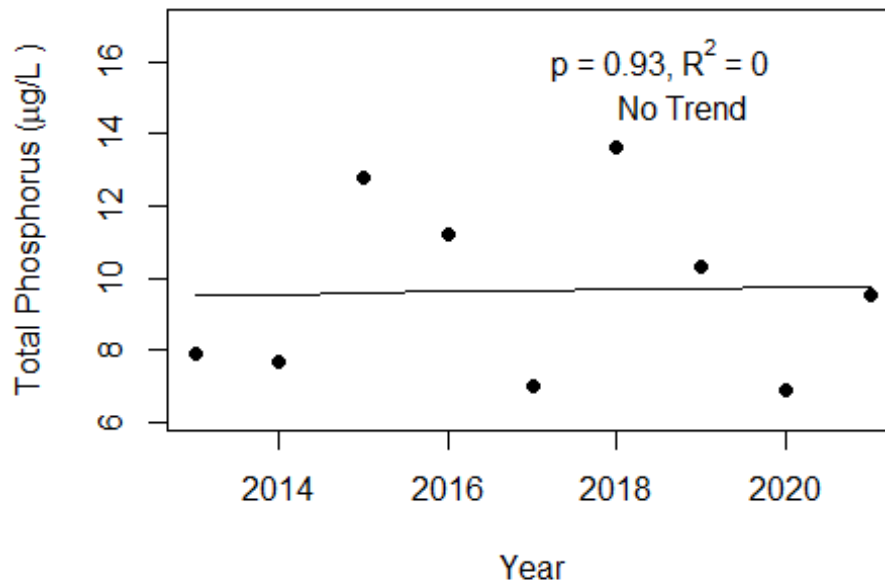
- **Total Phosphorus ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ ):** The nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ ):** Another nutrient needed for aquatic plant/algae growth but only limiting when nitrogen to phosphorus ratios are generally less than 10.
- **Chlorophyll-uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ ):** Chlorophyll concentrations are used to measure relative abundances of open water algal population.
- **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 filter out.
- **Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25}^\circ\text{C}$ ):** Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.

Table 3. Long-term trophic state data collected monthly by LAKEWATCH volunteers and color and specific conductance (collected quarterly).

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	7 - 14	9 (9)
Total Nitrogen ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	780 - 1008	868 (9)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	1 - 3	1 (9)
Secchi (ft)	3.5 - 21.2	8.5 (6)
Secchi (m)	1.1 -6.5	6.5 (6)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	1 - 6	3 (8)
Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25 C}$ )	192 - 690	261 (8)

Figure 2 and Figure 3. Trend plots of annual average total phosphorus and annual average total nitrogen versus year. 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). Trend status are reported on the plots.

### Weeki Wachee-2 (Hernando)



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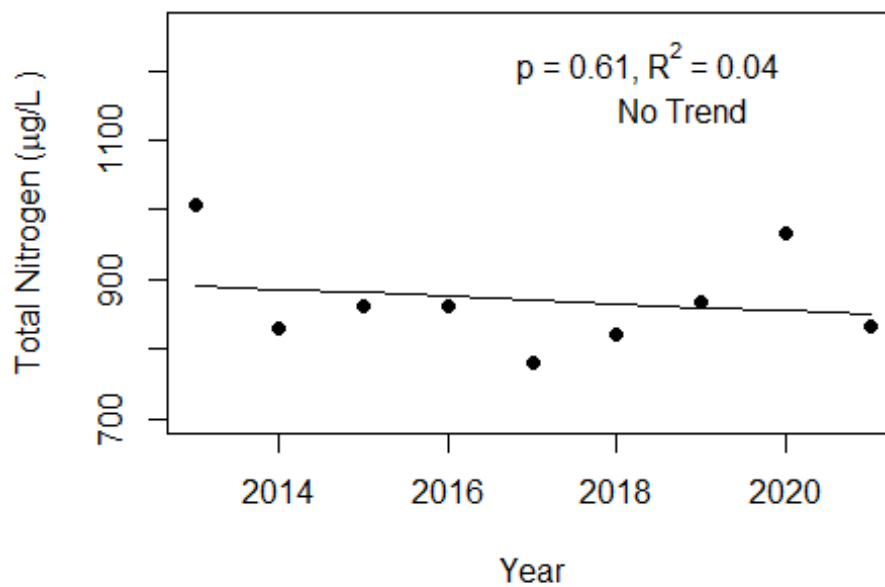
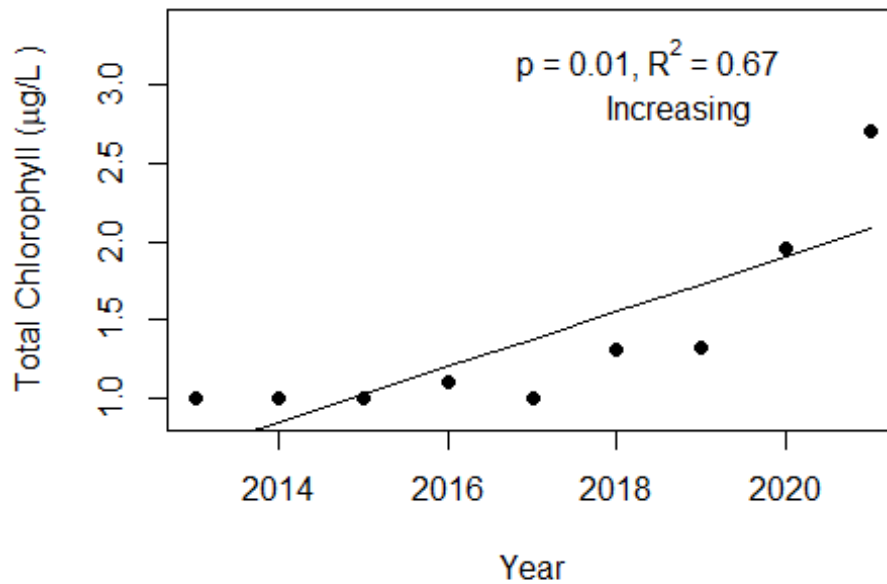
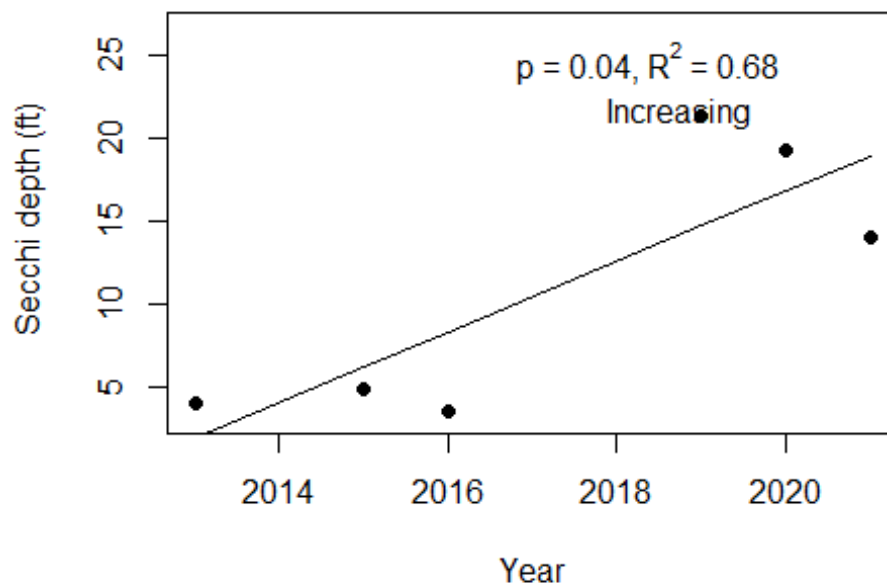


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### Weeki Wachee-2 (Hernando)



### Weeki Wachee-2 (Hernando)





**LAKEWATCH Report for Weeki Wachee-3 in Hernando County**  
**Watershed Region: Peninsular**  
**Using Data Downloaded 1/31/22**

**Introduction for River/Streams**

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Figure 1. Map showing nutrient thresholds areas for streams set forth by FDEP.

Table 1. The nutrient thresholds for streams are listed in table below along with the map showing zones.

Nutrient Watershed Region	Total Phosphorus Nutrient Threshold <sup>1</sup>	Total Nitrogen Nutrient Threshold <sup>1</sup>
Panhandle West	60 µg/L	670 µg/L
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## Base File Data for River/Streams: Definitions

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

Table 2. Base File Data.

County	Hernando
Name	Weeki Wachee-3
GNIS Number	292984
Water Body Type	River/Stream
Period of Record (years, range)	9 (2013 to 2021)
Latitude	28.5344
Longitude	-82.6361

## Long-Term Data for River/Streams: Definitions

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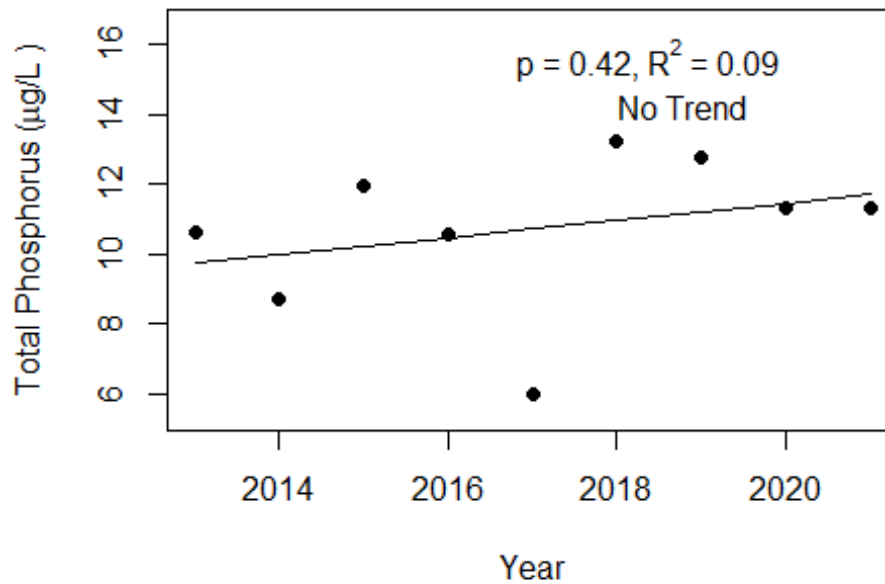
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Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	6 - 13	10 (9)
Total Nitrogen ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	520 - 1094	696 (9)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	1 - 3	2 (9)
Secchi (ft)	4 - 9	6.2 (6)
Secchi (m)	1.2 -2.8	2.8 (6)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	4 - 18	9 (7)
Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25 C}$ )	870 - 15000	3196 (7)

Figure 2 and Figure 3. Trend plots of annual average total phosphorus and annual average total nitrogen versus year. 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). Trend status are reported on the plots.

### Weeki Wachee-3 (Hernando)



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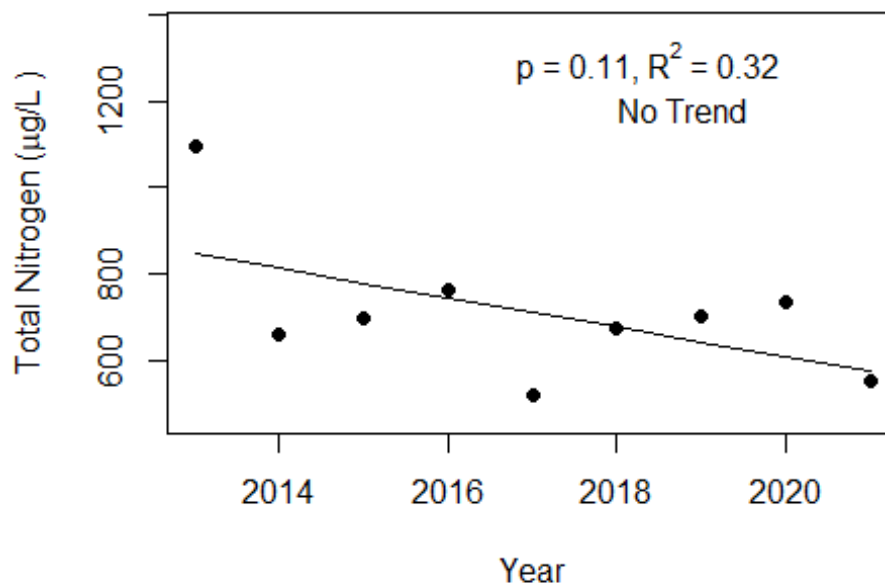
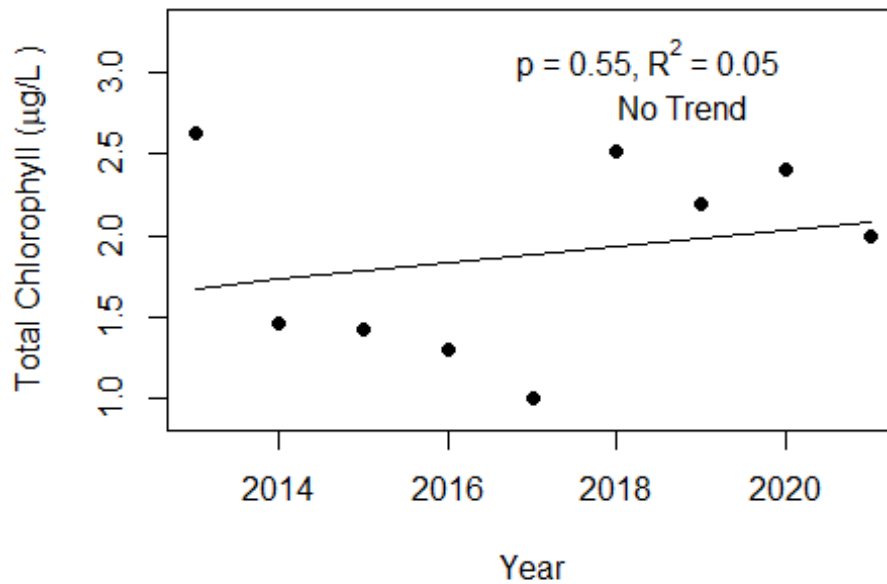
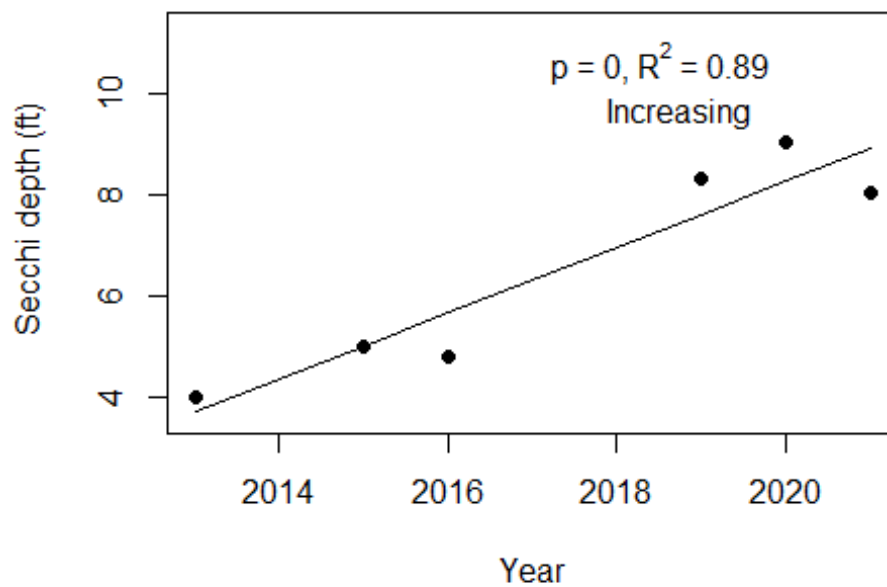


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### Weeki Wachee-3 (Hernando)



### Weeki Wachee-3 (Hernando)



**LAKEWATCH Report for Arbuckle Creek-1 in Highlands County**  
**Watershed Region: Peninsular**  
**Using Data Downloaded 1/31/22**

**Introduction for River/Streams**

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Table 2. Base File Data.

County	Highlands
Name	Arbuckle Creek-1
GNIS Number	277930
Water Body Type	River/Stream
Period of Record (years, range)	21 (2001 to 2021)
Latitude	27.4462
Longitude	-81.3021

## Long-Term Data for River/Streams: Definitions

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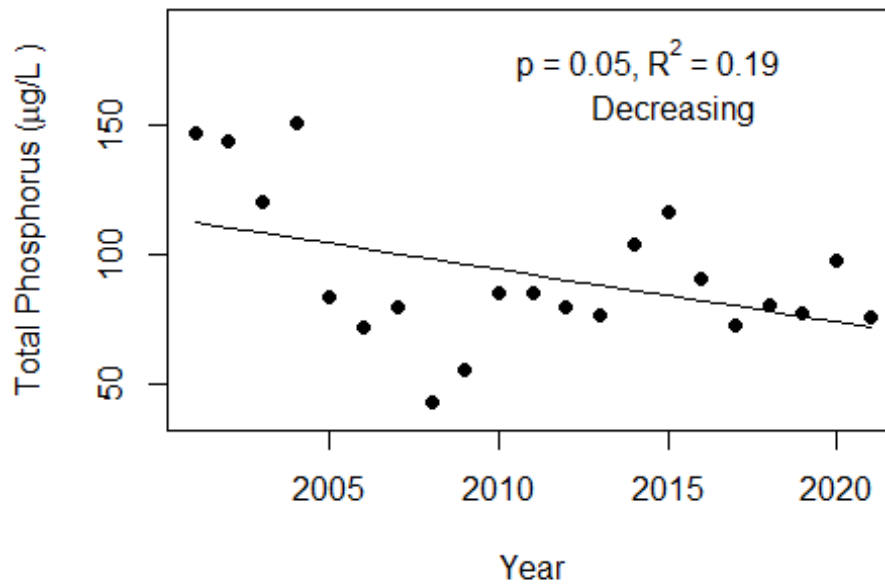
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Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	43 - 151	89 (21)
Total Nitrogen ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	948 - 1505	1271 (21)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	6 - 37	13 (7)
Secchi (ft)	1.7 - 2.4	2 (4)
Secchi (m)	0.5 -0.7	0.7 (4)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	56 - 336	132 (20)
Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25 C}$ )	98 - 185	137 (15)

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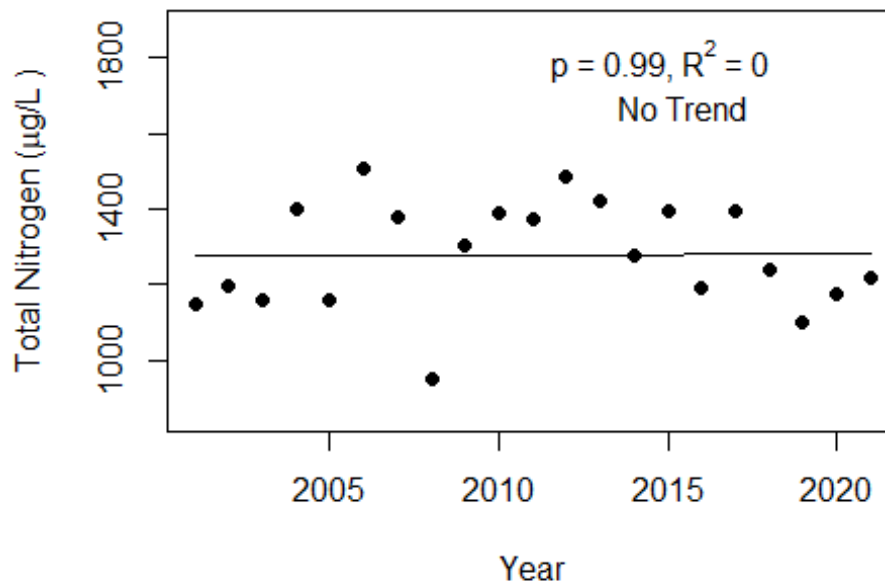
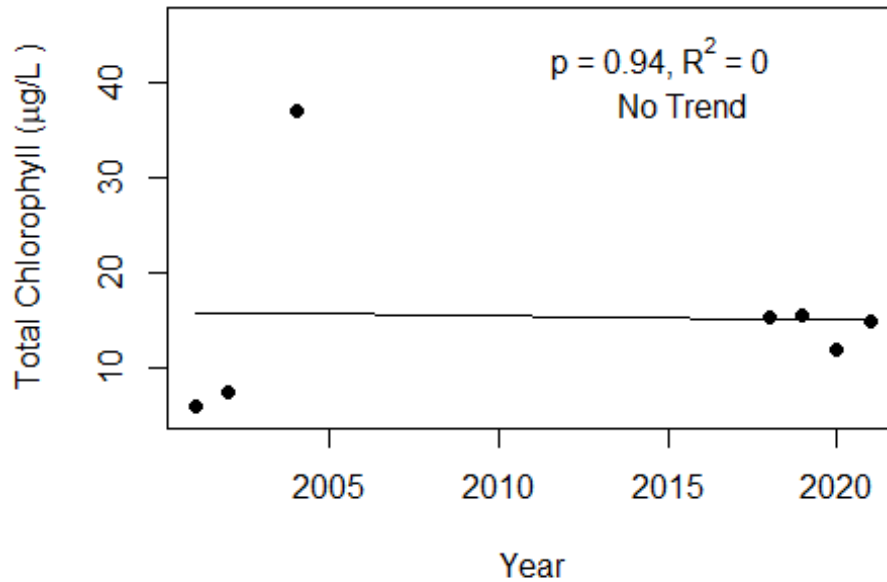
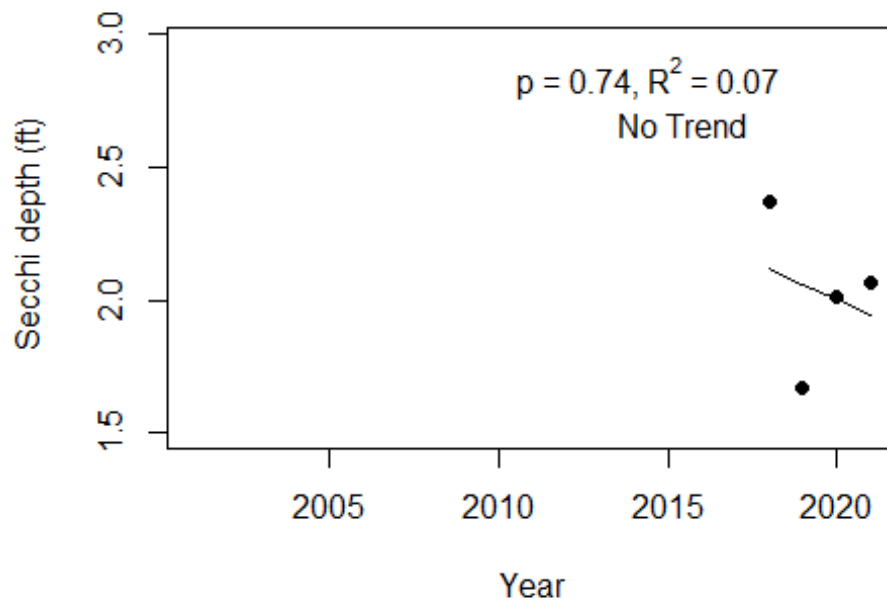


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**LAKEWATCH Report for Arbuckle Creek-2 in Highlands County**  
**Watershed Region: Peninsular**  
**Using Data Downloaded 1/31/22**

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County	Highlands
Name	Arbuckle Creek-2
GNIS Number	277930
Water Body Type	River/Stream
Period of Record (years, range)	21 (2001 to 2021)
Latitude	27.53
Longitude	-81.3628

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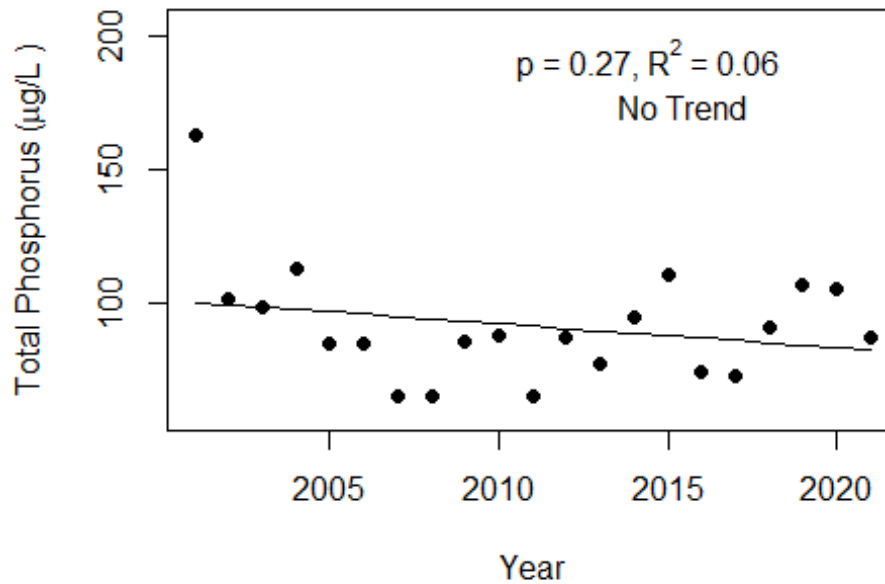
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Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	66 - 163	90 (21)
Total Nitrogen ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	1085 - 1578	1326 (21)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	7 - 55	15 (7)
Secchi (ft)	1.6 - 2.4	2 (4)
Secchi (m)	0.5 - 0.7	0.7 (4)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	71 - 229	145 (19)
Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25 C}$ )	64 - 188	129 (14)

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### Arbuckle Creek-2 (Highlands)



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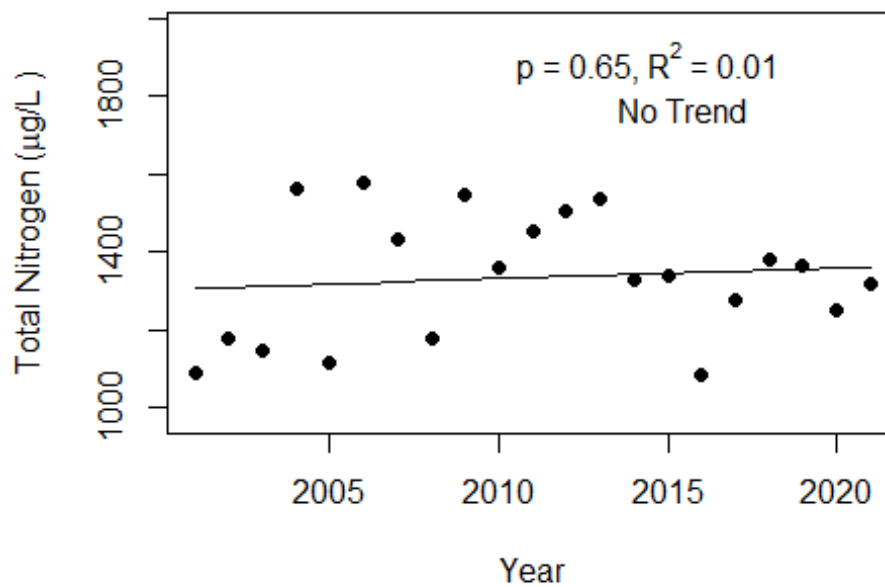
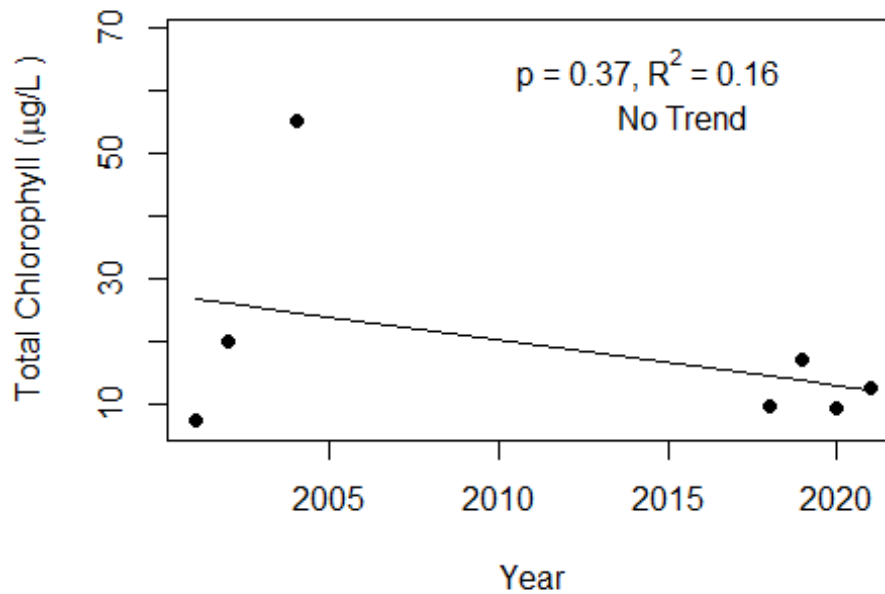
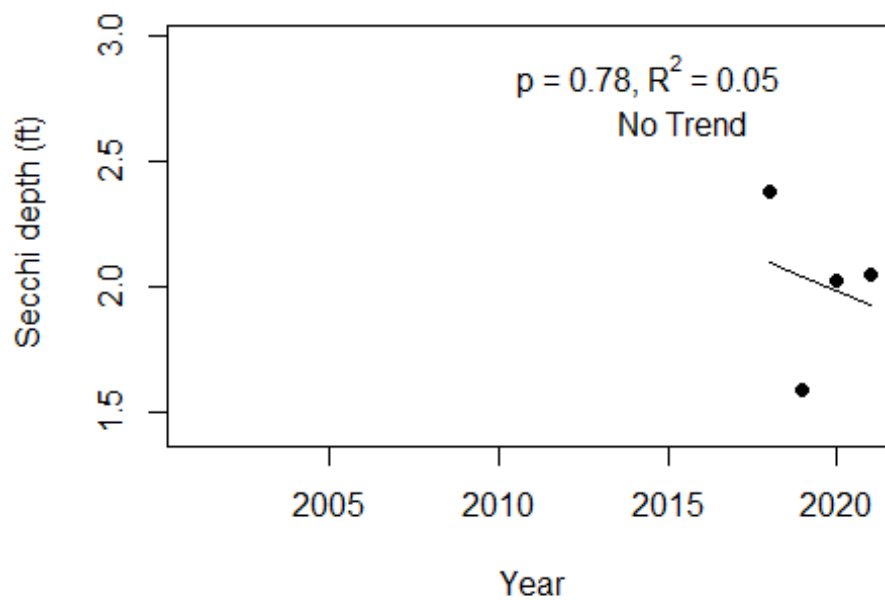


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### Arbuckle Creek-2 (Highlands)



### Arbuckle Creek-2 (Highlands)



**LAKEWATCH Report for Arbuckle Creek-3 in Highlands County**  
**Watershed Region: Peninsular**  
**Using Data Downloaded 1/31/22**

**Introduction for River/Streams**

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Table 2. Base File Data.

County	Highlands
Name	Arbuckle Creek-3
GNIS Number	277930
Water Body Type	River/Stream
Period of Record (years, range)	21 (2001 to 2021)
Latitude	27.6453
Longitude	-81.3585

## Long-Term Data for River/Streams: Definitions

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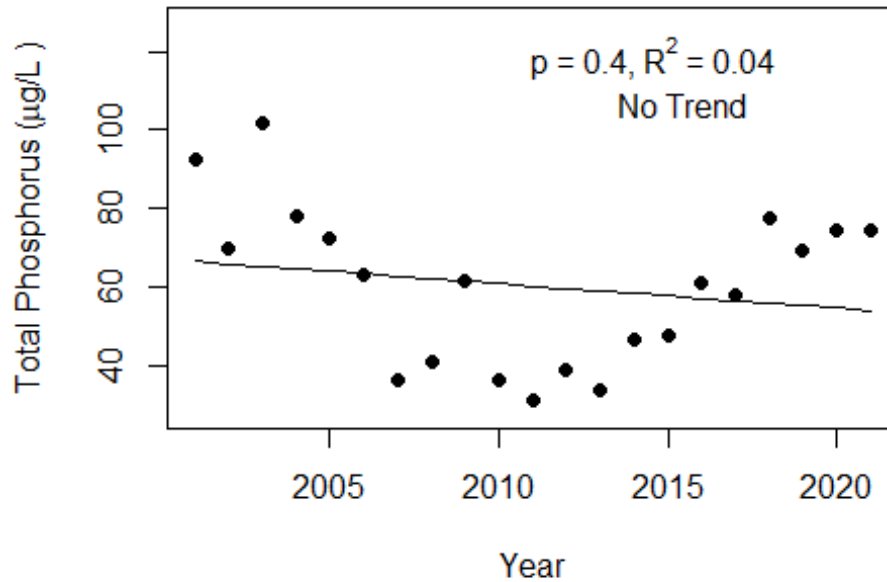
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Total Nitrogen ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	834 - 1415	1110 (21)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	10 - 36	17 (7)
Secchi (ft)	1.6 - 2.4	1.9 (4)
Secchi (m)	0.5 - 0.7	0.7 (4)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	34 - 207	113 (19)
Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25 C}$ )	96 - 208	145 (14)

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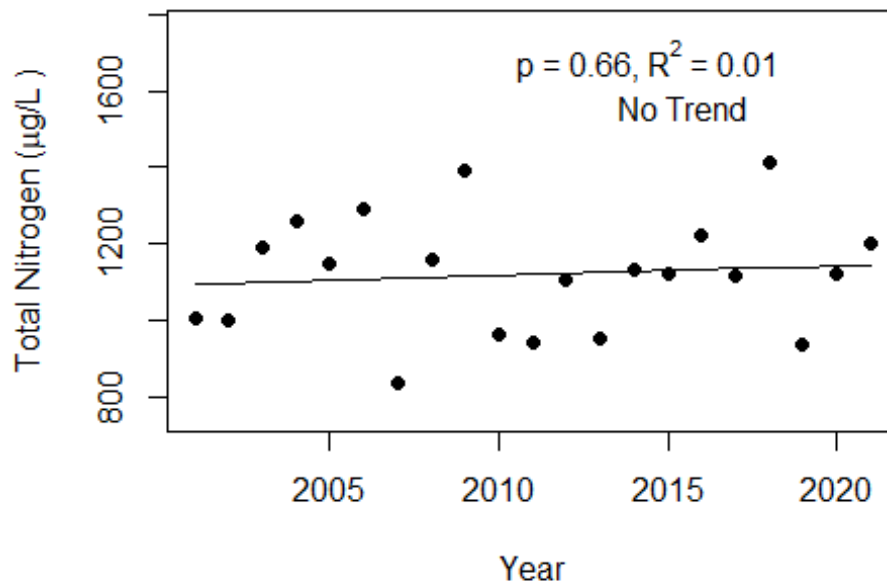
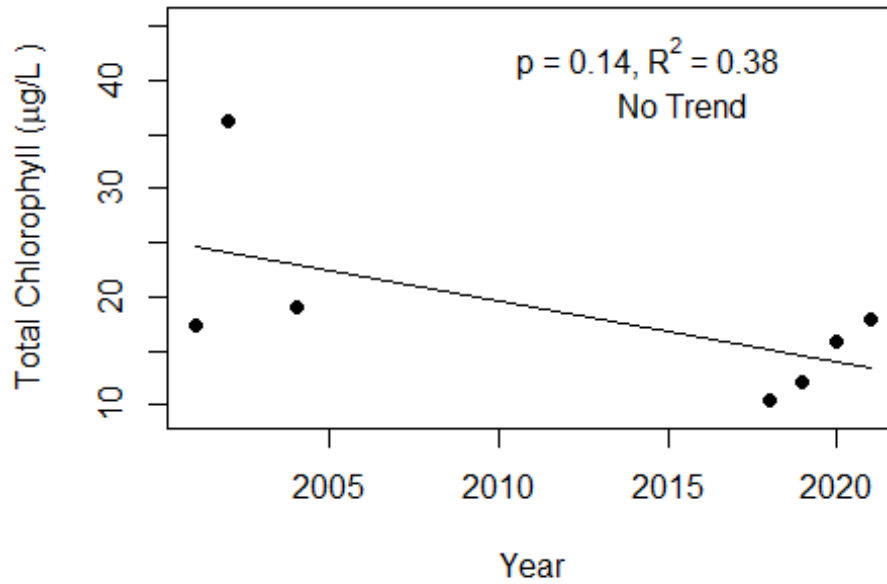
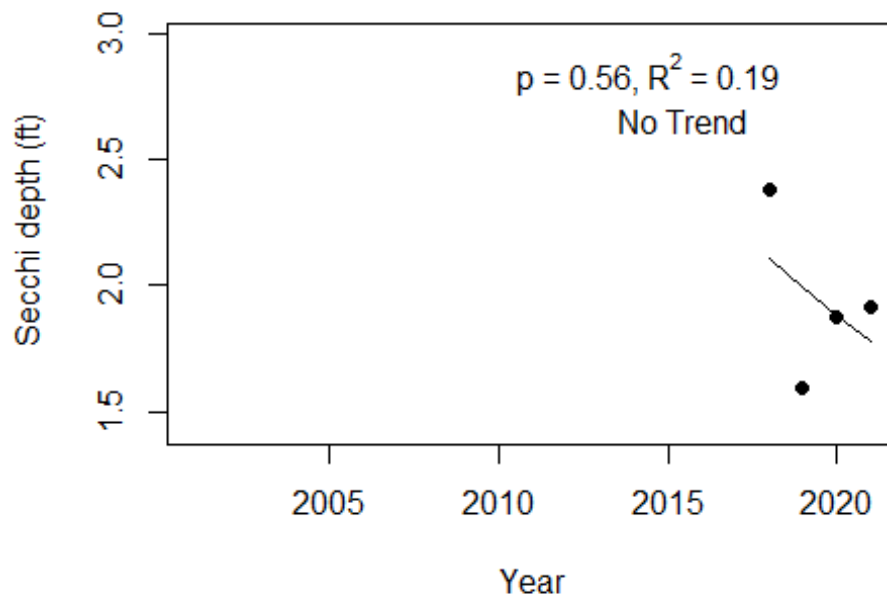


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### Arbuckle Creek-3 (Highlands)



### Arbuckle Creek-3 (Highlands)





**LAKEWATCH Report for Catfish Creek-1 in Highlands County**  
**Watershed Region: Peninsular**  
**Using Data Downloaded 1/31/22**

**Introduction for River/Streams**

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County	Highlands
Name	Catfish Creek-1
GNIS Number	
Water Body Type	River/Stream
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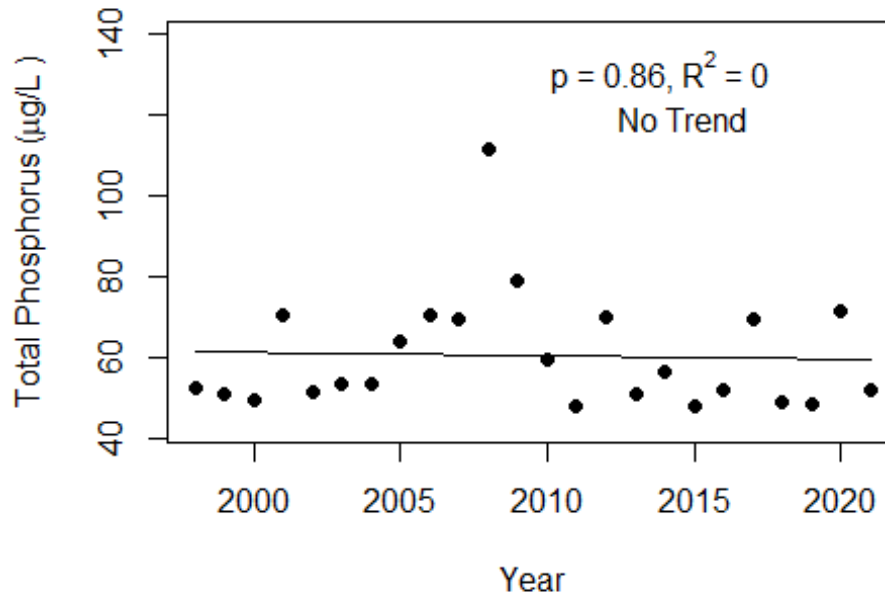
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Chlorophyll- uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	11 - 84	32 (24)
Secchi (ft)	2.3 - 3.8	3 (24)
Secchi (m)	0.7 - 1.2	1.2 (24)
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Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25 C}$ )	109 - 152	131 (15)

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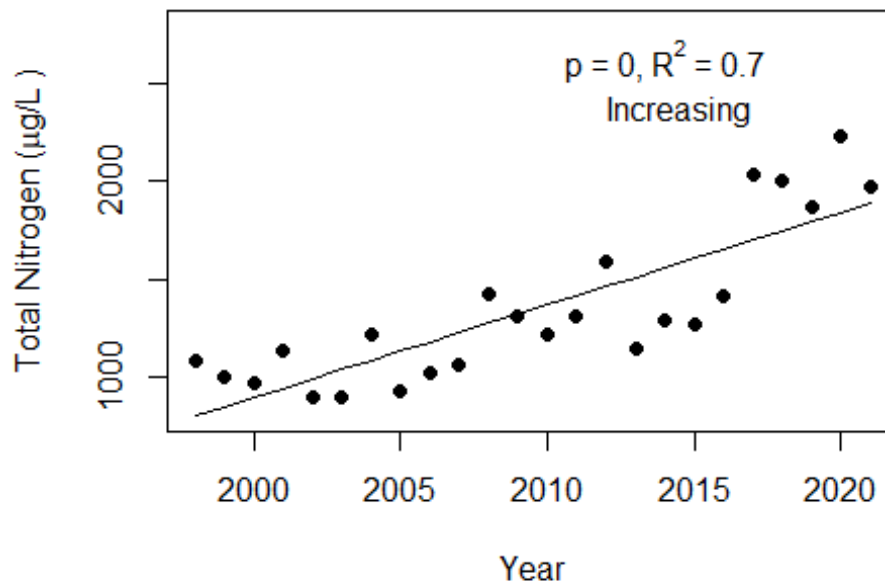
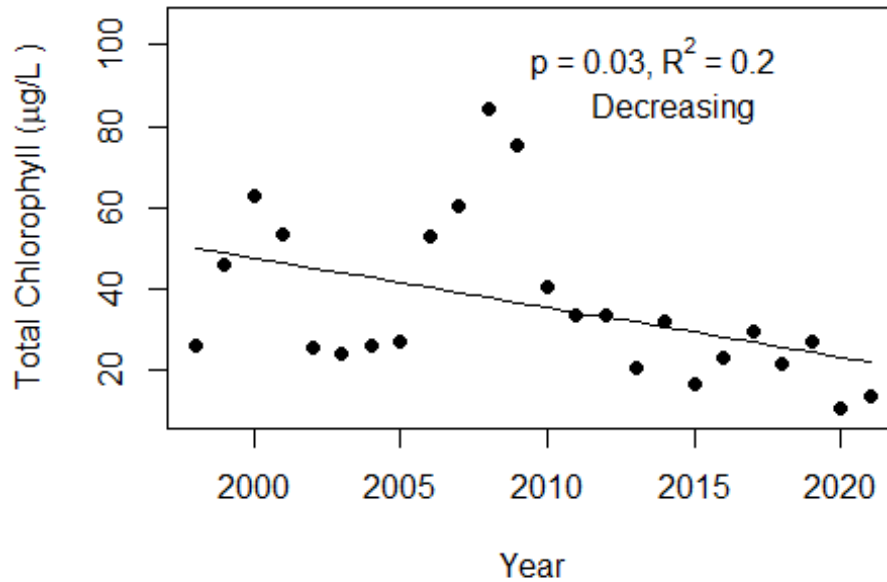
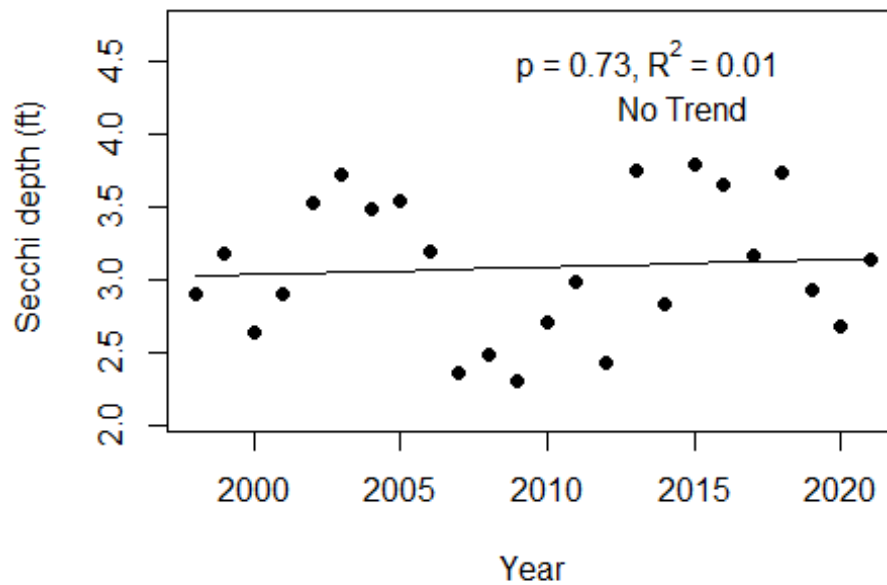


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### Catfish Creek-1 (Highlands)



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**LAKEWATCH Report for Catfish Creek-2 in Highlands County**  
**Watershed Region: Peninsular**  
**Using Data Downloaded 1/31/22**

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Table 2. Base File Data.

County	Highlands
Name	Catfish Creek-2
GNIS Number	
Water Body Type	River/Stream
Period of Record (years, range)	24 (1998 to 2021)
Latitude	27.2743
Longitude	-81.3918

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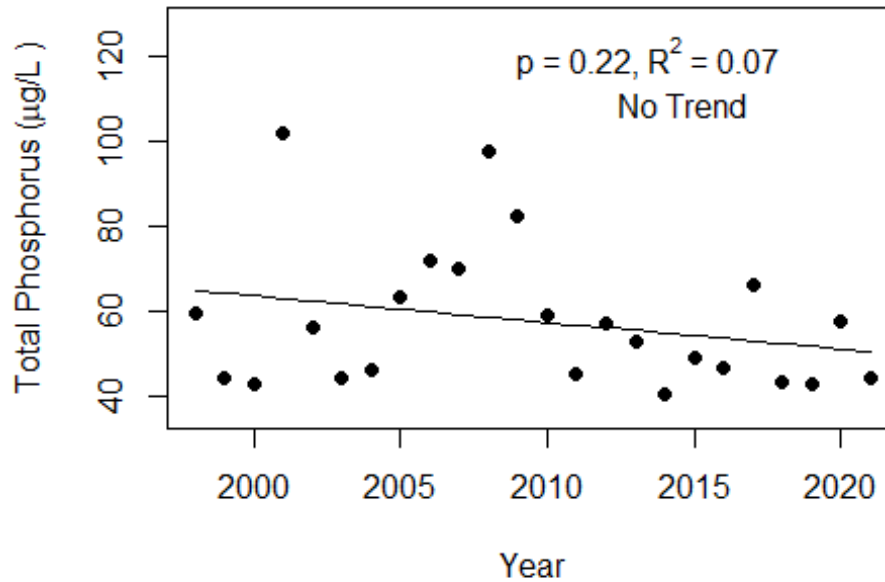
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Total Nitrogen ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	874 - 2729	1414 (24)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	11 - 68	28 (24)
Secchi (ft)	2.2 - 3.8	3.1 (24)
Secchi (m)	0.7 - 1.2	1.2 (24)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	32 - 79	58 (20)
Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25 C}$ )	83 - 150	121 (14)

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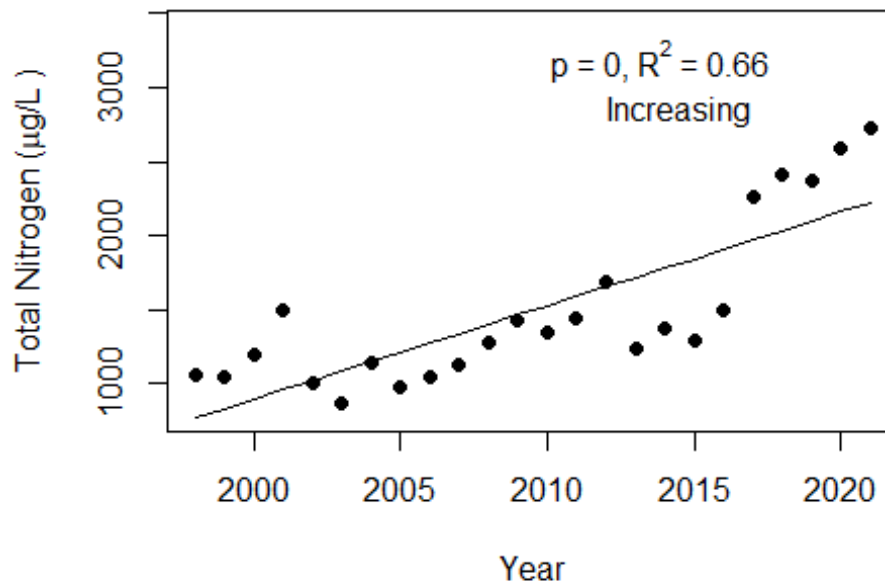
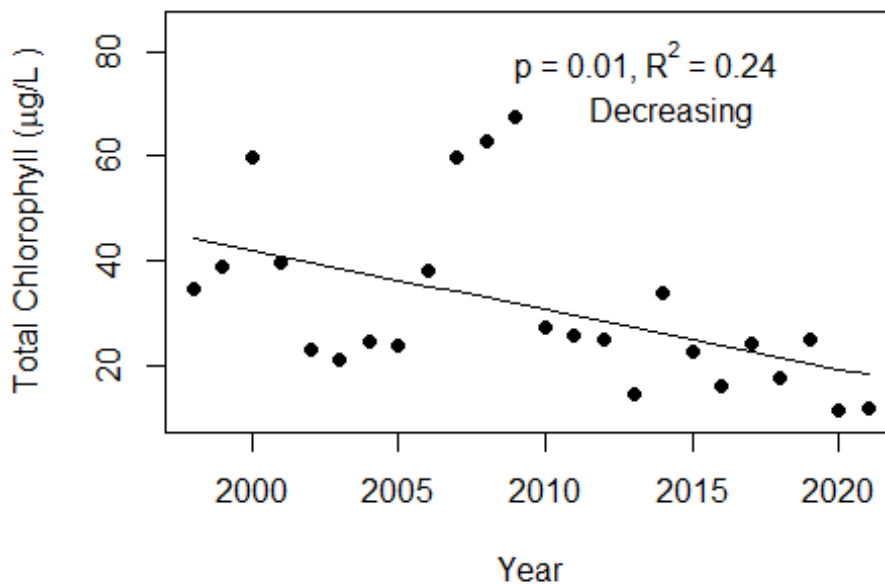
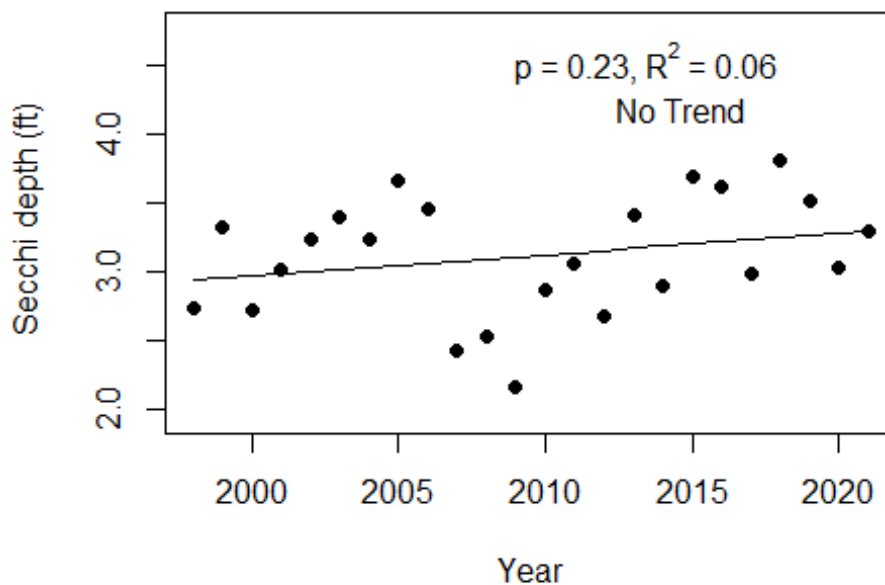


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**Watershed Region: Peninsular**  
**Using Data Downloaded 1/31/22**

**Introduction for River/Streams**

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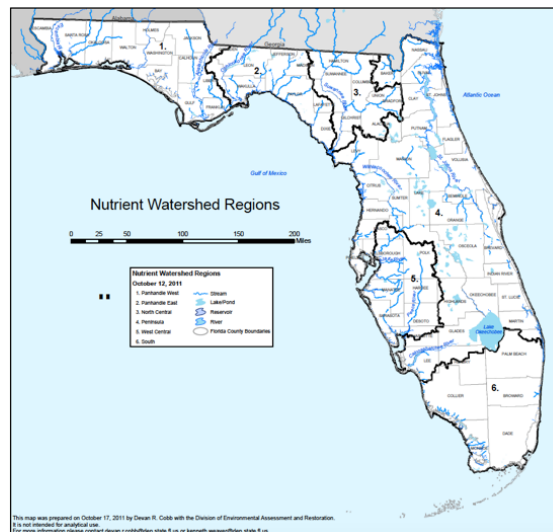


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- **Latitude and Longitude:** Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.

Table 2. Base File Data.

County	Highlands
Name	Catfish Creek-3
GNIS Number	
Water Body Type	River/Stream
Period of Record (years, range)	24 (1998 to 2021)
Latitude	27.2714
Longitude	-81.3885

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Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	23 - 84	45 (24)
Total Nitrogen ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	890 - 3105	1340 (24)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	4 - 28	14 (24)
Secchi (ft)	1.5 - 4.8	3.1 (24)
Secchi (m)	0.5 - 1.5	1.5 (24)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	36 - 80	56 (20)
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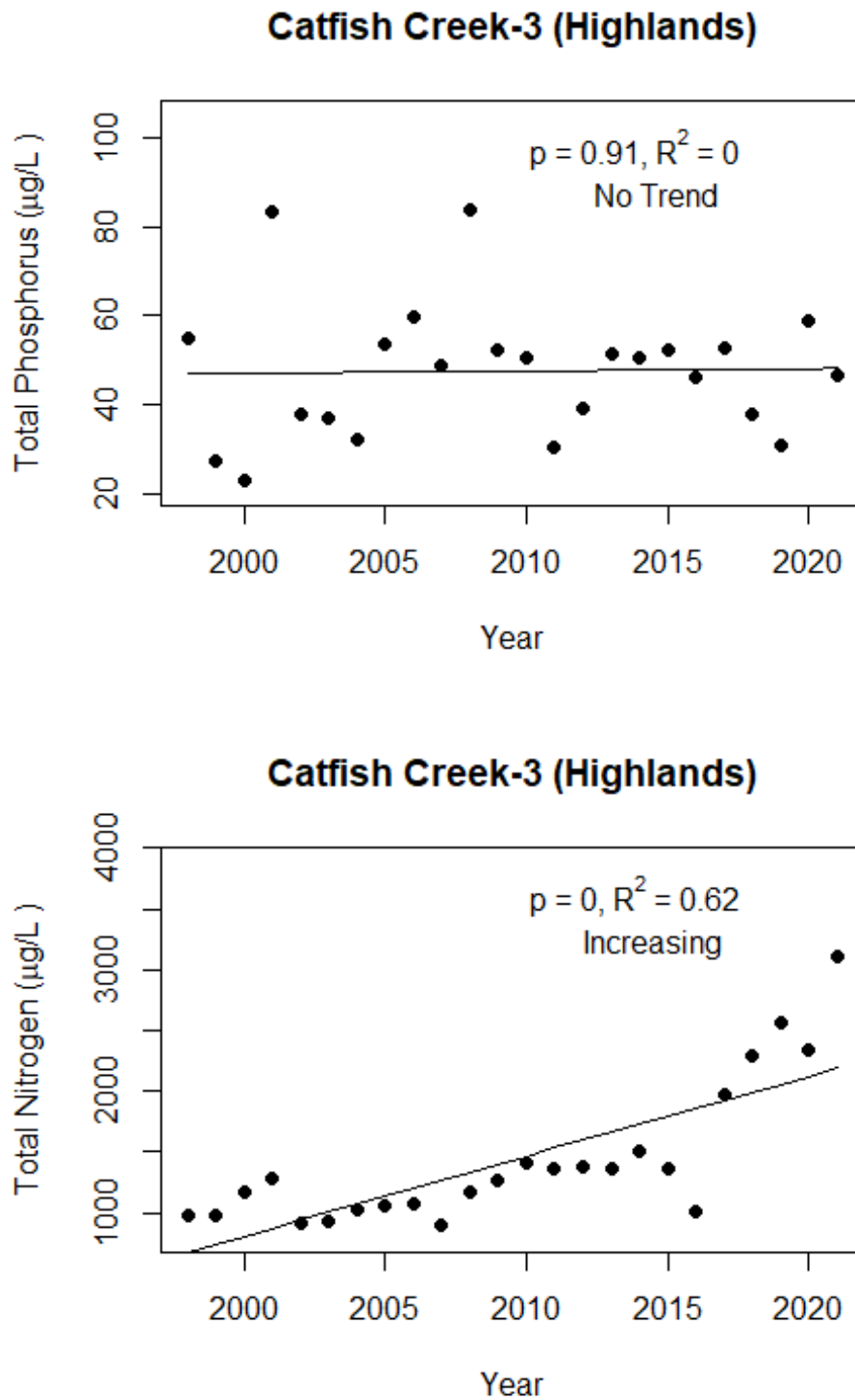
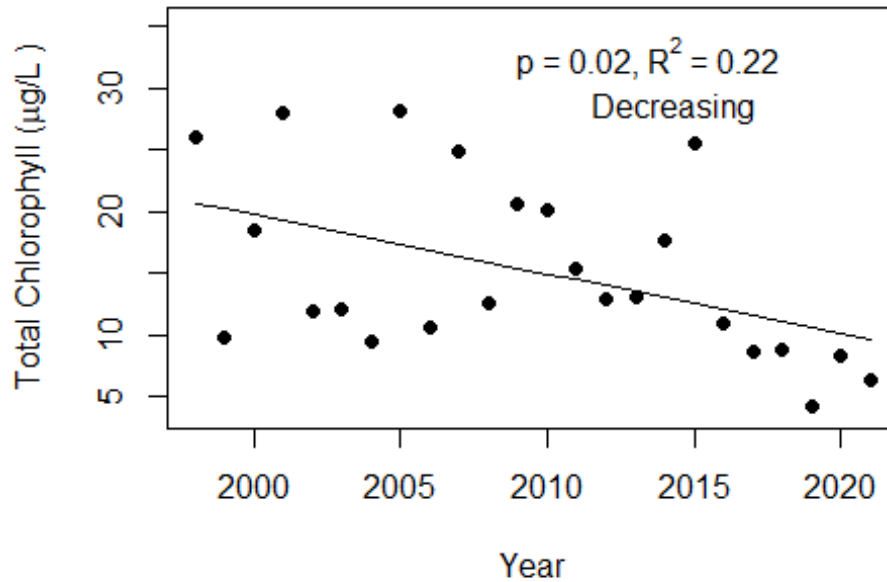
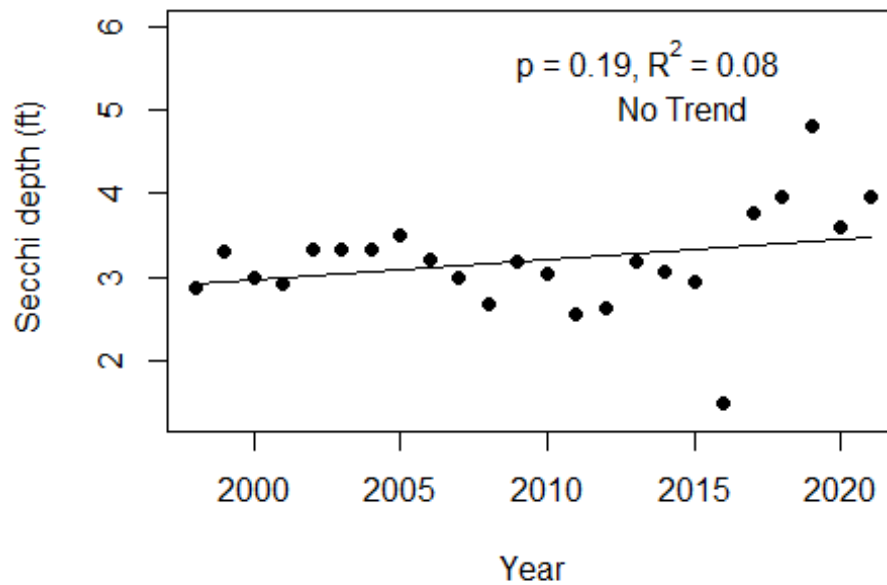


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**Watershed Region: Peninsular**  
**Using Data Downloaded 1/31/22**

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Table 2. Base File Data.

County	Highlands
Name	Kissimmee River Lorida-1
GNIS Number	277644
Water Body Type	River/Stream
Period of Record (years, range)	7 (2013 to 2020)
Latitude	27.3627
Longitude	-81.0441

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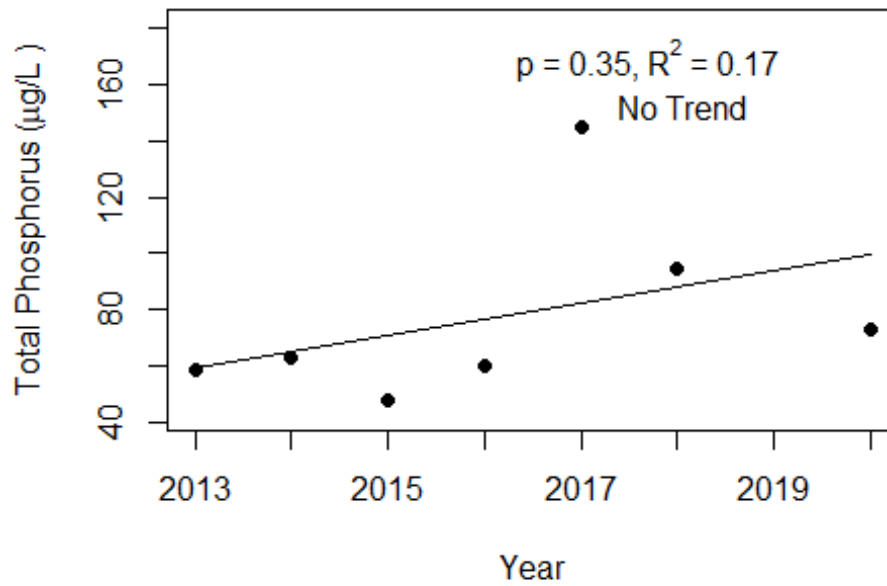
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Chlorophyll- uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	11 - 30	17 (7)
Secchi (ft)	1.3 - 2.9	2.2 (7)
Secchi (m)	0.4 -0.9	0.9 (7)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	89 - 110	101 (6)
Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25 C}$ )	116 - 160	135 (6)

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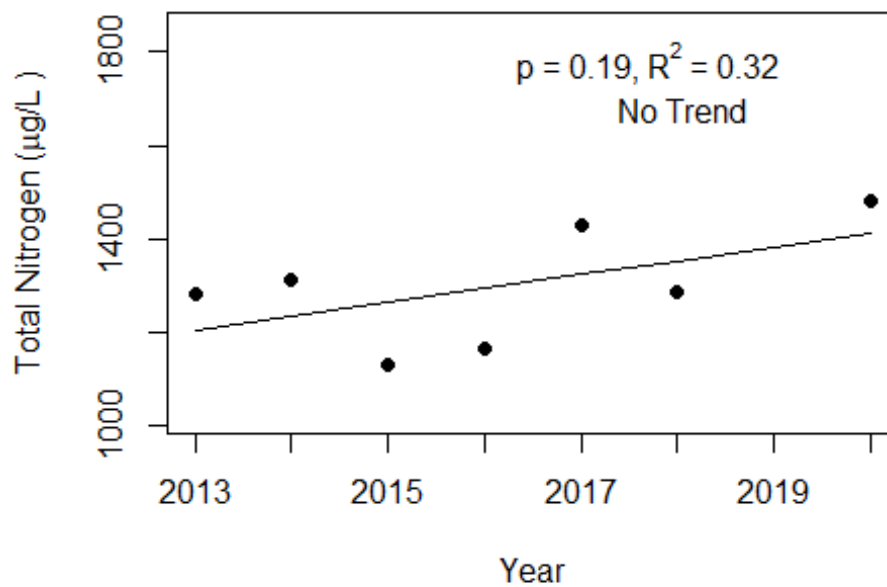
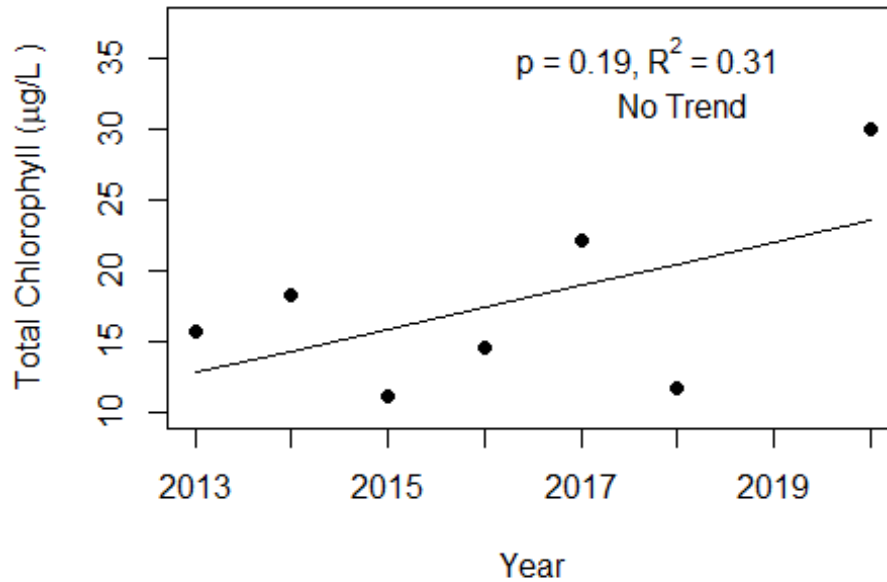
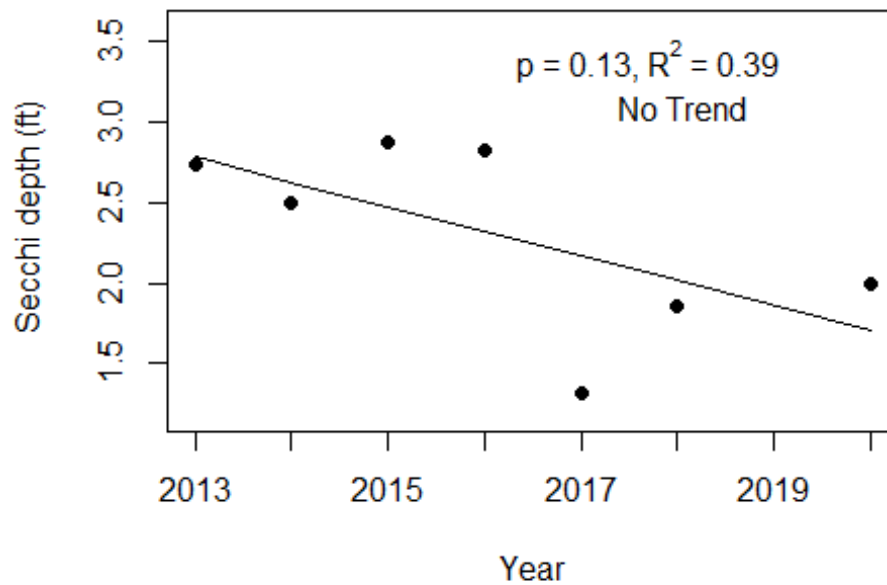


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### Kissimmee River Lorida-1 (Highlands)



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**LAKEWATCH Report for Kissimmee River Lorida-2 in Highlands County**  
**Watershed Region: Peninsular**  
**Using Data Downloaded 1/31/22**

**Introduction for River/Streams**

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Name	Kissimmee River Lorida-2
GNIS Number	277644
Water Body Type	River/Stream
Period of Record (years, range)	5 (2013 to 2020)
Latitude	27.3617
Longitude	-81.0376

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Chlorophyll- uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	14 - 38	22 (5)
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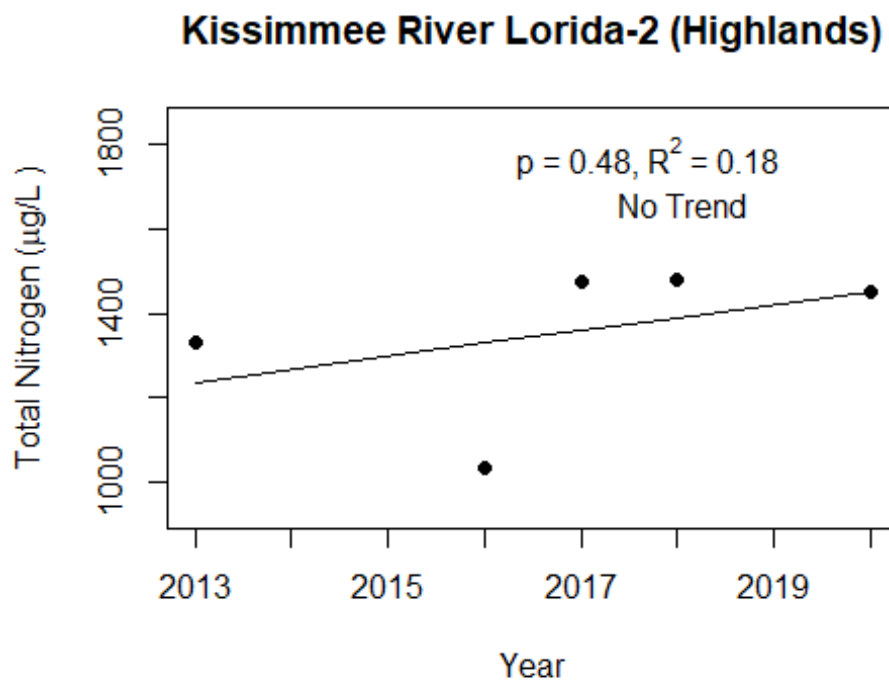
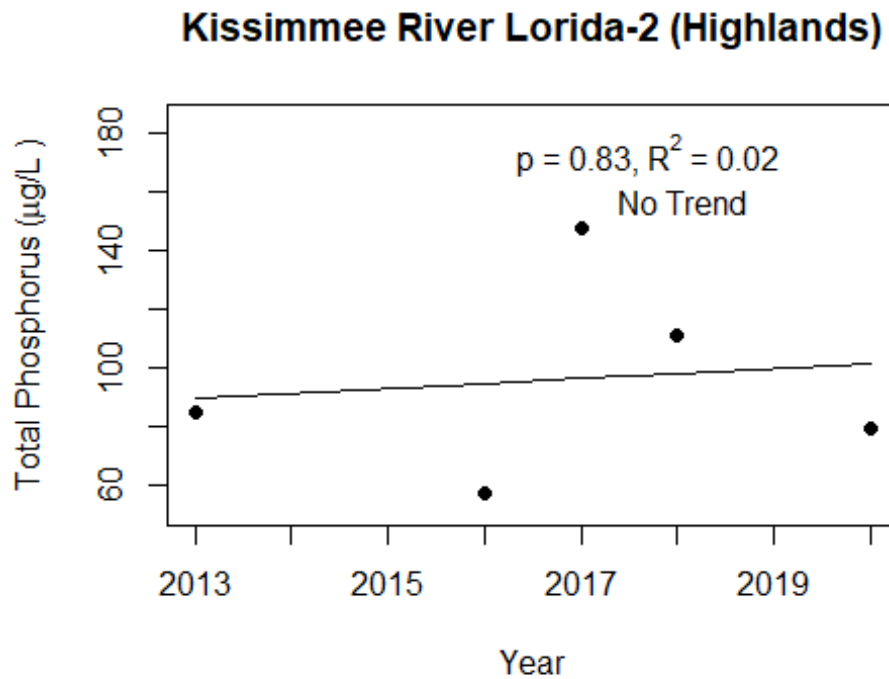
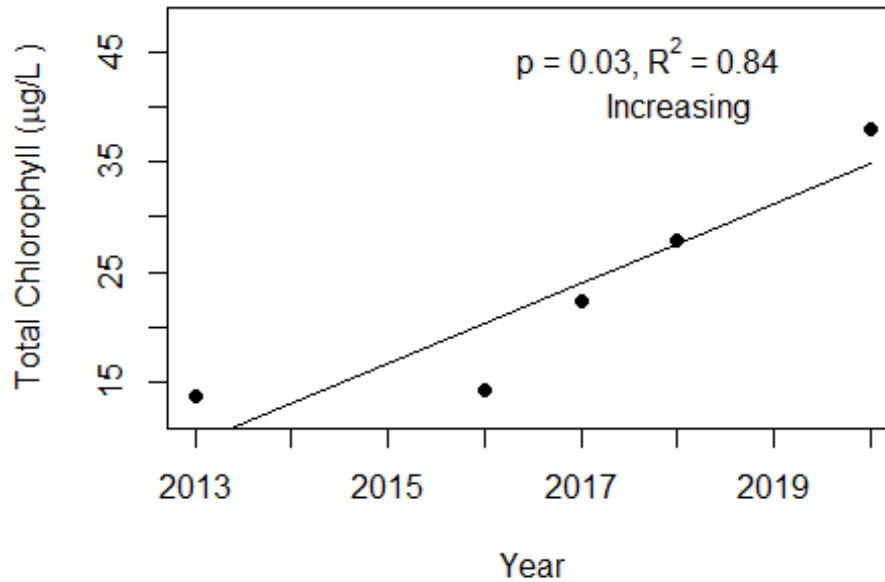
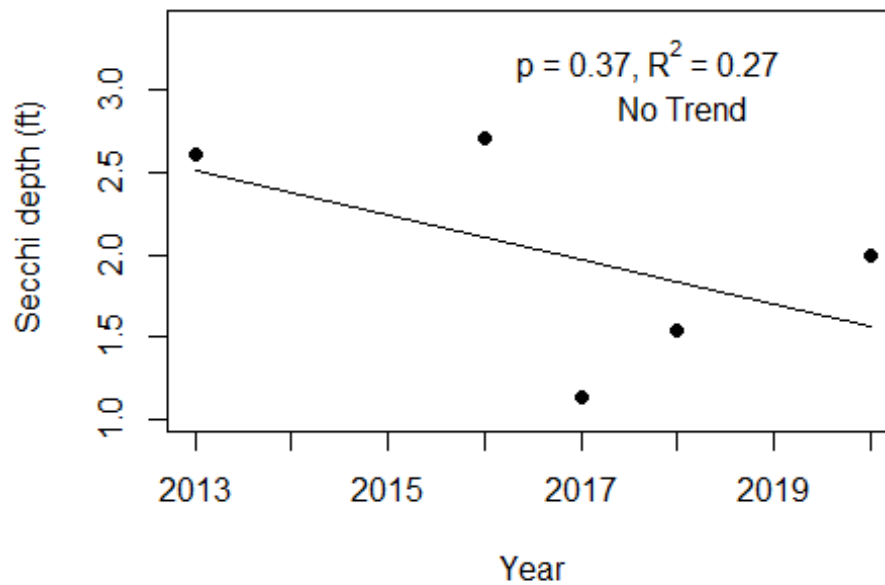


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### Kissimmee River Lorida-2 (Highlands)



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**LAKEWATCH Report for Kissimmee River Lorida-3 in Highlands County**  
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GNIS Number	277644
Water Body Type	River/Stream
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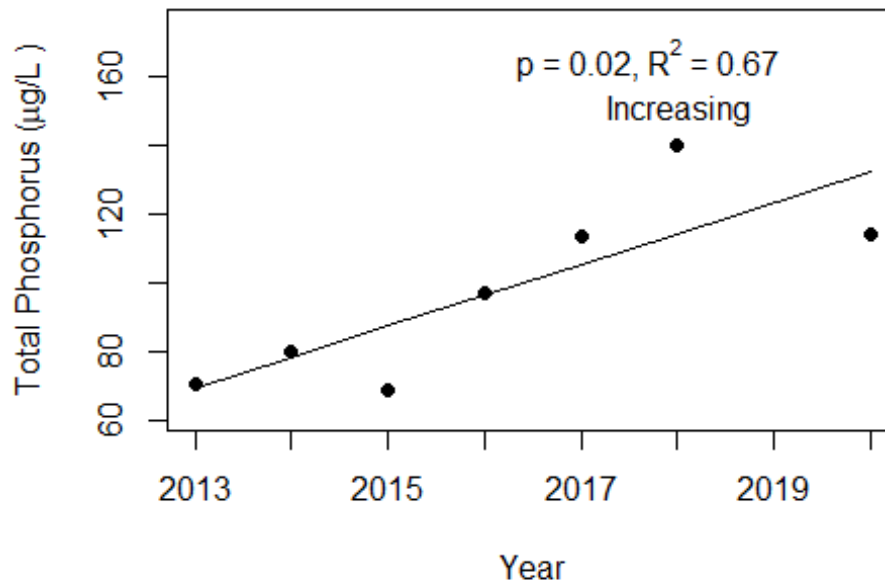
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Secchi (m)	0.5 - 1	1 (7)
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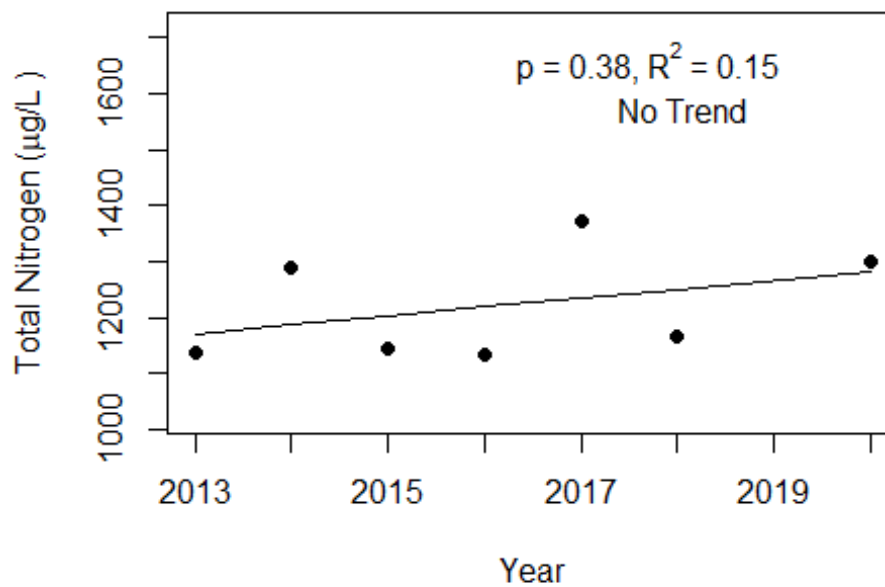
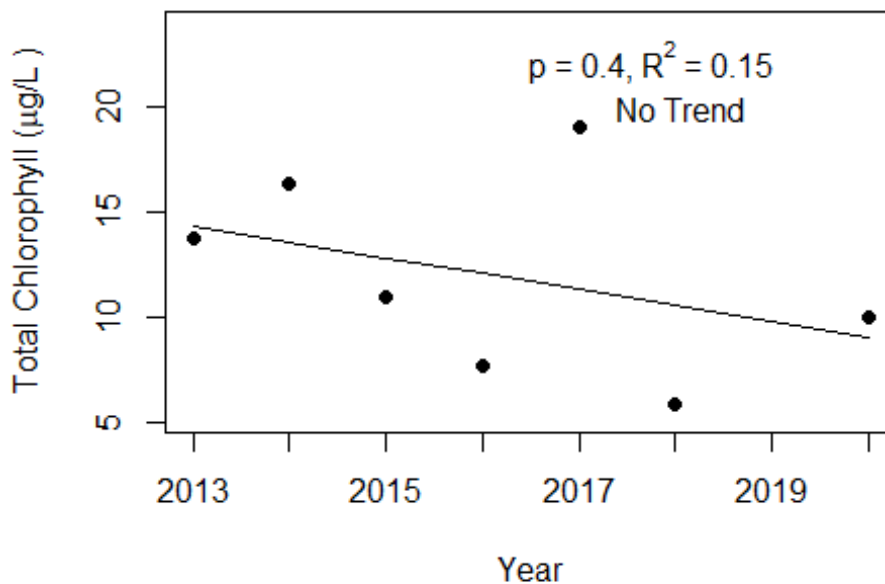
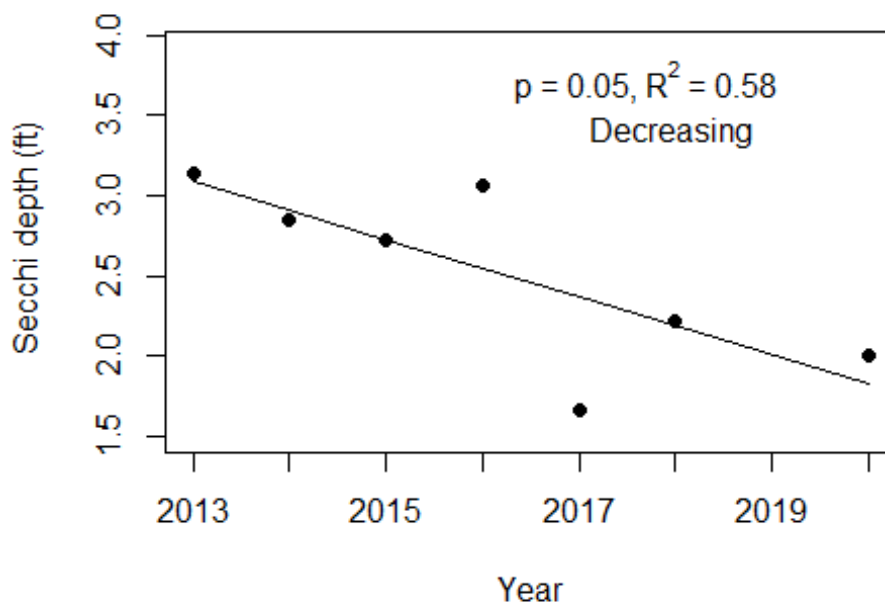


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This report summarizes data collected on systems that have been part of the LAKEWATCH program. Data are from the period of record for individual systems. The first part of this summary lists background data for each system, the second part lists the long-term data geometric means and ranges and the final part are the trend plots for nutrients, chlorophyll, and Secchi depth. **Plots were only made for systems with five or more years of data.**

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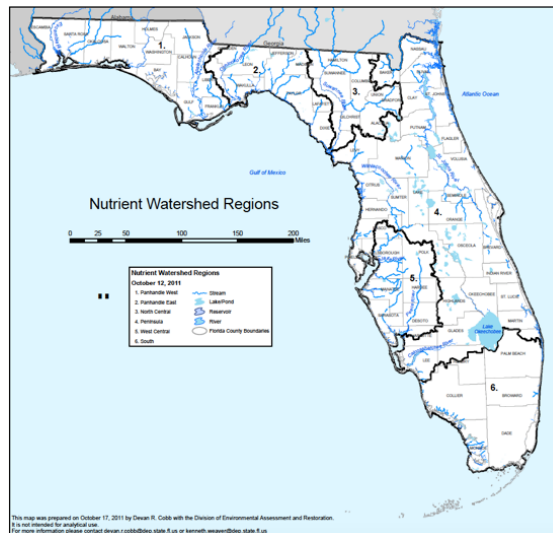


Figure 1. Map showing nutrient thresholds areas for streams set forth by FDEP.

Table 1. The nutrient thresholds for streams are listed in table below along with the map showing zones.

Nutrient Watershed Region	Total Phosphorus Nutrient Threshold <sup>1</sup>	Total Nitrogen Nutrient Threshold <sup>1</sup>
Panhandle West	60 µg/L	670 µg/L
Panhandle East	180 µg/L	1030 µg/L
North Central	300 µ/L	1870 µg/L
Peninsular	120 µg/L	1540 µg/L
West Central	490 µg/L	1650 µg/L
South Florida	No numeric nutrient threshold. The narrative criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., applies.	No numeric nutrient threshold. The narrative criterion in paragraph 62-302.530(47)(b), F.A.C., applies.

<sup>1</sup>These values are annual geometric mean concentrations not to be exceeded more than once in any three calendar year periods.

**Base File Data for River/Streams: Definitions**

- **County:** Name of county in which the system resides.
- **Name:** Stream name that LAKEWATCH uses for the system.
- **GNIS Number:** Number created by USGS's Geographic Names Information System.
- **Water Body Type:** Four different types of systems; lakes, estuaries, river/streams and springs.
- **Period of Record (years):** Number of years a system has been in the LAKEWATCH program.
- **Latitude and Longitude:** Coordinates identifying the exact location of station 1 for each system.

Table 2. Base File Data.

County	Highlands
Name	Kissimmee River Lorida-4
GNIS Number	277644
Water Body Type	River/Stream
Period of Record (years, range)	4 (2013 to 2016)
Latitude	27.3542
Longitude	-81.0331

### Long-Term Data for River/Streams: Definitions

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

- **Total Phosphorus ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ ):** The nutrient most often limiting growth of plant/algae.
- **Total Nitrogen ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ ):** Another nutrient needed for aquatic plant/algae growth but only limiting when nitrogen to phosphorus ratios are generally less than 10.
- **Chlorophyll-uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ ):** Chlorophyll concentrations are used to measure relative abundances of open water algal population.
- **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 filter out.
- **Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25}^\circ\text{C}$ ):** Measurement of the ability of water to conduct electricity and can be used to estimate the amount of dissolved materials in water.

Table 3. Long-term trophic state data collected monthly by LAKEWATCH volunteers and color and specific conductance (collected quarterly).

Parameter	Minimum and Maximum Annual Geometric Means	Grand Geometric Mean (Sampling years)
Total Phosphorus ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	127 - 199	163 (4)
Total Nitrogen ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	1180 - 1311	1234 (4)
Chlorophyll- uncorrected ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	1 - 6	2 (4)
Secchi (ft)	2.8 - 4	3.2 (4)
Secchi (m)	0.9 -1.2	1.2 (4)
Color (Pt-Co Units)	124 - 129	126 (4)
Specific Conductance ( $\mu\text{S/cm@25 C}$ )	134 - 250	190 (4)