

2017 Survey of Aquatic Plant Species in Mississippi Waterbodies

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Executive Summary

Conclusions

- Only four waterbodies in this survey had plant assemblages entirely composed of only native aquatic plant species.
- Of the 105 plant species observed, 15 were non-native.
- Alligatorweed (*Alteranthera philoxeroides:* 30 waterbodies) and torpedograss (*Panicum repens:* 15 waterbodies) were the most widespread non-native species in the state.
- Brittle naiad (*Najas minor*:12 waterbodies), wild taro (*Colocasia esculenta*: 8 waterbodies), water hyacinth (*Eichornnia crassipes*: 8 waterbodies), and Cuban bulrush (*Oxycaryum cubense*: 7 waterbodies) are of concern as they have the ability to rapidly colonize any waterbody in which they are introduced.

Recommendations

- Continue monitoring waterbodies within Mississippi for the presence of non-native aquatic plant species.
- Implement early detection, rapid response (EDRR) management options on populations of those non-native aquatic plant species known to be in Mississippi, specifically small isolated populations before they spread to other sites.
- Determine suitable goals for management of large populations of non-native aquatic plant species.
- Implement management strategies on those populations of native species that have grown to nuisance levels in Mississippi waterbodies.

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Introduction

The state of Mississippi (MS) has significant water resources that, many times, are impaired by invasive aquatic and wetland plant species. These waterbodies can then act as source populations to introduce non-native vegetation to other waterbodies in the region. The likelihood of being a source population increases if the waterbody in question has a high frequency of boat traffic. Many times small waterbodies that have significant amounts of boat traffic are overlooked due to the size of the waterbody. Approximately 192,050 acres of MS are covered by small waterbodies (<100 acres; Willis and Neal 2012) which is greater than the five largest reservoirs (117,840 acres; Ross Barnett, Sardis, Grenada, Enid, and Arkabutla reservoirs) in the state combined (USACE 2017). The state has more small waterbodies (> 160,000) and a greater density (1 per 0.51 mi²) of small waterbodies than any other state in the MidSouth (MS, AL, AR, TN, LA, and GA) region of the United States (Willis and Neal 2012).

Many waterbodies in the state that receive the highest amount of traffic are those owned and managed by the state of MS (via the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks - MDWFP). Other lakes that receive a significant amount of traffic are federal lakes operated by the US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), the US Forest Service (USFS), or the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). Aside from state and federally operated waterbodies, there are also waterbodies that are operated by private entities (e.g. Pat Harrison Waterway District) or homeowners associations within the state. Many of these waterbodies are known to have problematic vegetation while others have never been surveyed.

Two federally listed noxious weeds are found within the state: *Hydrilla verticilatta* (Hydrilla or Waterthyme) and *Salvinia molesta* (giant salvinia). Additionally, there are other non-native species that are known to cause localized problems in the waterbodies they infest (i.e. *Panicum repens* – torpedo grass).

To date, no statewide survey of small and medium sized (100 - 7,500 acres) waterbodies in MS has been conducted within a single growing season. The purpose of this work was to survey small and medium sized waterbodies for the presence of invasive or problematic aquatic vegetation.

Methodology

Water bodies were selected based on a combination of size, frequency of boat traffic, and location within the state. All waterbodies surveyed were lentic systems within the geographic boundaries of the state of Mississippi. A total of 42 waterbodies were surveyed in June-July 2017. Surveyed waterbodies were spread throughout most major geophysical regions of Mississippi. Eight surveyed waterbodies were located in northeast MS, seven in the Jackson Prairie and North Central Hills regions, five in the Delta and Loess Hills regions, and 22 in the Southern Pine Hills and Coastal Plain (Figure 1).

Most waterbodies were surveyed using a random walk (semi-quantitative) survey methodology. Survey points were taken by boat at intervals ranging from 150-500 m, depending on overall lake shoreline length (Figure 2). In general, increased length of shoreline resulted in increased distances between sampling points. Survey points were taken in the littoral zone of each waterbody, which was determined through Secchi readings (3 times the average secchi depth). At each survey point the GPS location and water depth were recorded. Plant assemblages at each point were documented via species presence for all aquatic plants (submersed rooted, floating leaved, emergent, and free-floating submersed growth forms; Sculthorpe 1967) along with certain macrophytic algae (i.e., *Nitella* spp., *Chara* spp.). All visible plants within 3.05 m (10 ft) of any part of the boat were recorded. At each survey point, a plant rake was tossed into the water to determine the presence and identity of submersed plants. Plants that were observed but not within a sampling point were noted. Plant identification followed Godfrey and Wooten (1981) and naming is consistent with the USDA-PLANTS database (plants.usda.gov).

If *Hydrilla verticillata* (hydrilla) was found in a waterbody, additional survey efforts were initiated to document and map the extent of the infestation. Upon finding hydrilla, additional survey points were taken at 50 m (Okhissa Lake) or 250 m (Bay Springs Lake) intervals along a grid pattern until a hydrilla-free point was reached (Figure 3). Additionally, at each point where hydrilla was present, the extent of its littoral zone infestation was quantified via periodic rake throws along a line perpendicular to the shore until water depth exceeded that of the littoral zone.

Due to the wide amount of variation between lakes as well as unforeseen circumstances, some waterbodies received atypical surveys. Some waterbodies (i.e., Lake Mary, Lake Caroline) were only partially surveyed due to adverse weather conditions (Lake Mary; Figure 4) and private lake curfews (Lake Caroline). Adequacy of survey effort for differing sample sizes across waterbodies was visually assessed via species accumulation curves. Species lists for each waterbody were compiled, including total points surveyed, percent of littoral zone vegetated, points present and percent frequency per species and the native/non-native status of each species.

Results and Discussion

Lakes with Federally listed noxious weeds

Bluff Lake (USFWS):

Bluff Lake (33.28021N, -88.78820W) was surveyed on 13 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 7' (2.13 m), in the 30th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 1). Overall 23 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 7.1 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 337.9 m of shoreline. Out of the 23 points surveyed 22, or 95.6% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Nelumbo lutea* (present in 82.6% of points) 2) *Zizaniopsis miliacea* (present in 43.4% of points) and 3) *Hydrilla verticillata* (present in 30.4% of points). Non-native species (3 species) accounted for 18.8% of the 16 species observed. Of the species observed, the only federal noxious species found in Bluff Lake was *Hydrilla verticillata*. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Bluff Lake was about average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 21st out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was not evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 27th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Lake Loakfoma (USFWS):

Lake Loakfoma (33.26631N, -88.78221W) was surveyed on 13 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 9' (15 m), in the 30th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 2). Overall 15 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 7.4 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 672 m of shoreline. Out of the 15 points surveyed 13, or 86.6% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Nelumbo lutea* (present in 80% of points) 2) *Brasenia schreberi* (present in 53.3% of points) and 3) *Ludwigia peploides* and *Nymphaea odorata* (present in 20% of points each). Non-native species (3 species) accounted for 16.7% of the 18 species observed. *Hydrilla verticillata*, a federal noxious weed, was observed in Lake Loakfoma. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Lake Loakfoma was about average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 19th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was not evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 28th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Okhissa Lake (USFS):

Okhissa Lake (31.42977N, -90.84557W) was surveyed on 6 July 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 25'10.5" (7.87 m), in the 90th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 3). Overall 293 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 350 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 1.4 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 190.7 m of shoreline. Out of the 293 points surveyed 284, or 96.9% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Hydrilla verticillata* (present in 74.7% of points) 2) *Brasenia schreberi* (present in 18.4% of points) and 3) *Ceratophyllum demersum* (present in 5.4% of points). Non-native species (3 species) accounted for 12.5% of the 24 species observed. Of note, *Hydrilla verticillata*, a federal noxious weed, has infested this waterbody. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Okhissa Lake was lower than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 38th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage on Okhissa was the lowest in terms of evenness of all waterbodies surveyed.

Bay Springs Reservoir (USACE):

Bay Springs Reservoir (34.54221N, -88.31353W) was surveyed on 28 July 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 20'10.5" (6.13 m), in the 90th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 4). Overall 465 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 500 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 5.7 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 356.9 m of shoreline. Out of the 465 points surveyed 365, or 78.5% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Hydrilla verticillata* (present in 33.3% of points) 2) *Potamogeton nodosus* (present in 20% of points) and 3) *Nitella spp*. (present in 18.9% of points). Non-native species (2 species) accounted for 7.1% of the 28 species observed. *Hydrilla verticillata*, a federal noxious weed, was observed in Bay Springs Reservoir. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Bay Springs Reservoir was higher than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 14th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was not evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 34th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Columbus Lake (USACE):

Columbus Lake (33.52474N, -88.47202W) was surveyed on 14 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 5' (1.52 m), in the 10th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 5). Overall 38 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 500 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 37.5 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 2640 m of shoreline. Out of the 38 points surveyed 34, or 89.5% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Eichhornia crassipes* (present in 68.4% of points) 2) *Alternanthera philoxeroides* (present in 52.6% of points) and 3) *Lemna spp*. (present in 31.6% of points). Non-native species (7 species) accounted for 23% of the 30 species observed. *Hydrilla verticillata*, a federal noxious weed, was observed in Columbus Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Columbus Lake was the highest of all lakes surveyed in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index). The plant assemblage was about average in terms of evenness, with an evenness ranking of 22nd out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Lakes without Federally listed noxious weeds

Lake Lowndes (MDWFP):

Lake Lowndes (33.42333N, -88.29988W) was surveyed on 14 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 8'6" (2.6 m), in the 40th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 6). Overall 32 points were taken with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 1.8 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 200.2 m of shoreline. Out of the 32 points surveyed 26, or 81.3%, were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Chara spp.* (present in 68.7% of points) 2) *Ludwigia peploides* (present in 18.7% of points) and 3) *Bacopa spp.* (present in 15.6% of points). Non-native species (2 species) accounted for 7.7% of the 26 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Lake Lowndes. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Lake Lowndes was higher than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 10th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was not evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 32nd out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Lake Hideaway (Private):

Lake Hideaway (30.56191N, -89.65180W) was surveyed on 21 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 10' (3.0 m), in the 60th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 7). Overall 35 points were taken with a between-point distance of 250 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 2.2 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 319.5 m of shoreline. Out of the 35 points surveyed 26, or 74.2% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Eleocharis vivipara* (present in 68.5% of points) 2) *Ceratophyllum demersum* (present in 14.2% of points) and 3) *Nuphar lutea* and *Utricularia spp*. (present in 5.7% of points). No nonnative species were present in the five species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Lake Hideaway. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Lake Hideaway was lower than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 42nd out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was not evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 38th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Lake Bill Waller (MDWFP):

Lake Bill Waller (31.19973, -89.71431W) was surveyed on 19 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 9' (2.74 m), in the 50th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 8). Overall 37 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 1.8 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 241.7 m of shoreline. Out of the 37 points surveyed 35, or 94.5% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Brasenia schreberi* (present in 83.7% of points) 2) *Nymphaea odorata* (present in 54.0% of points) and 3) *Panicum repens* (present in 29.7% of points). Non-native species (3 species) accounted for 27.3% of the 11 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Lake Bill Waller. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Lake Bill Waller was lower than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 32nd out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was not evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 33nd out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Lake Columbia (MDWFP):

Lake Columbia (31.18202N, -89.73340 W) was surveyed on 19 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 3'7" (1.09 m), in the 70th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 9). Overall 29 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 1.3 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 199.0 m of shoreline. Out of the 29 points surveyed 27, or 93.1% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Brasenia schreberi* (present in 89.7% of points) 2) *Nymphaea odorata* (present in 58.6% of points) and 3) *Utricularia spp.* (present in 48.2% of points). Non-native species (1 species) accounted for 10% of the 10 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Lake Columbia. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Lake Columbia was about average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 26th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was about average in terms of evenness, with an evenness ranking of 24th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Geiger Lake (MDWFP):

Geiger Lake (31.13876N, -89.23845W) was surveyed on 20 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 9'3" (2.82 m), in the 60th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 10). Overall 49 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 2.2 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 210.5 m of shoreline. Out of the 49 points surveyed 39, or 79.5% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Stuckenia pectinata* (present in 66.6% of points) 2) *Nymphaea odorata* (present in 53.8% of points) and 3) *Utricularia spp.* (present in 28.2% of points). No non-native species were observed in the 12 total species found at Geiger Laker. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Geiger Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Geiger Lake was lower than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 28th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was not evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 31st out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Lake Perry (MDWFP):

Lake Perry (31.13402N, -88.89932W) was surveyed on 20 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 8' (2.43 m), in the 40th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 11). Overall 19 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 1.6 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 263.4 m of shoreline. Out of the 19 points surveyed 15, or 78.9% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Brasenia schreberi* (present in 57.8% of points) 2) *Nymphaea odorata* (present in 31.5% of points) and 3) *Polygonum spp.* and *Stuckenia pectinata* (present in 15.7% of points). Non-native species (2 species) accounted for 22.2% of the 9 total species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Lake Perry. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Lake Perry was lower than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 29th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was about average in terms of evenness, with an evenness ranking of 21st out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Flint Creek Reservoir (PHW):

Flint Creek Reservoir (30.87168N, -89.12827W) was surveyed on 20 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 10°10" (3.30 m), in the 60th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 12). Overall 129 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 1.7 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 184.9 m of shoreline. Out of the 129 points surveyed 116, or 89.8% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Utricularia spp.* (present in 42.6% of points) 2) *Bacopa caroliniana* (present in 41.8% of points) and 3) *Stuckenia pectinata* (present in 37.2% of points). Non-native species (1 species) accounted for 10% of the 10 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Flint Creek Reservoir. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Flint Creek Reservoir was lower than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 33rd out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was not evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 29th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Lake Mike Connor (MDWFP):

Lake Mike Connor (31.57597N, -89.6487W) was surveyed on 22 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 15'9" (4.8 m), in the 90th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 13). Overall 21 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 1.6 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 226.4 m of shoreline. Out of the 21 points surveyed 19, or 90.4% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Najas guadalupensis* (present in 90.4% of points) 2) *Potamogeton diversifolius* (present in 47.6% of points) and 3) *Panicum repens* (present in 19% of points). Non-native species (2 species) accounted for 18.2% of the 11 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Lake Mike Connor. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Lake Mike Connor was lower than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 34th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was not evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 35th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Dry Creek Reservoir (PHW):

Dry Creek Reservoir (31.74888N, -89.72933W) was surveyed on 22 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 10'3" (3.12 m), in the 70th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 14). Overall 15 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 0.89 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 176.7 m of shoreline. Out of the 15 points surveyed 14, or 93.3% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Stuckenia pectinata* (present in 80% of points) 2) *Cephalanthus occidentalis* (present in 66.7% of points) and 3) *Alternanthera philoxeroides* (present in 13.3% of points). Non-native species (1 species) accounted for 11% of the nine species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Dry Creek. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Dry Creek Reservoir was lower than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 35th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was not evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 30th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Prentiss Walker Lake (MDWFP):

Prentiss Walker Lake (31.82924N, -89.59992W) was surveyed on 22 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 6'1" (1.85 m), in the 10th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 15). Overall 25 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 1.3 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 205.4 m of shoreline. Out of the 25 points surveyed 16, or 64% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Alternanthera philoxeroides* (present in 36% of points) 2) *Hydrocotyle umbellata* (present in 20% of points) and 3) *Juncus repens* and *Nyssa aquatica* (present in 16% of points). Non-native species (1 species) accounted for 6.7% of the 15 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Prentiss Walker Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Prentiss Walker Lake was higher than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 7th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was quite evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 3rd out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Turkey Fork Reservoir (PHW):

Turkey Fork Reservoir (31.33844N, -88.69743W) was surveyed on 23 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 7' (2.13 m), in the 30th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 16). Overall 41 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 2.5 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 239.9 m of shoreline. Out of the 41 points surveyed 29, or 70.7% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Nymphaea odorata* (present in 26.8% of points) 2) *Utricularia spp.* (present in 24.3% of points) and 3) *Panicum repens* (present in 21.9% of points). Non-native species (3 species) accounted for 18.8% of the 16 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Turkey Fork Reservoir. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Turkey Fork Reservoir was higher than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 15th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was not evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 15th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Maynor Creek Waterpark (PHW):

Maynor Creek (31.64981N, -88.71278W) was surveyed on 26 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 10'9" (3.28 m), in the 70th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 17). Overall 41 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 250 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 4.4 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 390.7 m of shoreline. Out of the 41 points surveyed 38, or 92.8% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Potamogeton foliosus* (present in 48.9% of points) 2) *Utricularia spp.* (present in 43.9% of points) and 3) *Panicum repens* (present in 41.4% of points). Non-native species (3 species) accounted for 16.7% of the 18 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Maynor Creek. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Maynor Creek was higher than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 4th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was about average in terms of evenness, with an evenness ranking of 5th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Bogue Homa Lake (MDWFP):

Bogue Homa Lake (31.70269N, -89.02202W) was surveyed on 26 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 5'6" (1.68 m), in the 10th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 18). Overall 29 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 300 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 12.2 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 467.3 m of shoreline. Out of the 29 points surveyed 27, or 93.1% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Eichhornia crassipes* (present in 82.7% of points) 2) *Lemna minor* (present in 37.9% of points) and 3) *Oxycaryum cubense* (present in 34.4% of points). Non-native species (4 species) accounted for 21% of the 19 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Bogue Homa Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Bogue Homa Lake was higher than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 9th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was about average in terms of evenness, with an evenness ranking of 25th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Lake Claude Bennett (MDWFP):

Lake Claude Bennett (32.10405N, -89.03213W) was surveyed on 27 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 8'9" (2.67 m), in the 50th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 19). Overall 20 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 1.5 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 203.4 m of shoreline. Out of the 20 points surveyed 14, or 70% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Alternanthera philoxeroides* (present in 60% of points) 2) *Sagittaria graminea* (present in 35% of points) and 3) *Ludwigia peploides* (present in 30% of points). Non-native species (2 species) accounted for 11.7% of the 17 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Lake Claude. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Lake Claude Bennett was higher than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 8th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 11th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Archusa Creek Reservoir (PHW):

Archusa Creek Reservoir (32.03742N, -88.70548W) was surveyed on 27 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 6'6" (1.98 m), in the 20th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 20). Overall 35 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 250 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 5.3 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 560.7 m of shoreline. Out of the 35 points surveyed 33, or 94.2% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Nitella spp.* (present in 45.7% of points) 2) *Chara spp.* (present in 42.8% of points) and 3) *Utricularia spp.* (present in 37.1% of points). Non-native species (3 species) accounted for 18.8% of the 16 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Archusa Creek Reservoir. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Archusa Creek was about average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 18th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was about average in terms of evenness, with an evenness ranking of 26th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Clarkco Lake (MDWFP):

Clarkco Lake (32.10070N, -88.69805W) was surveyed on 27 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 9'5" (2.87 m), in the 60th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 21). Overall 17 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 1.2 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 205.7 m of shoreline. Out of the 17 points surveyed 10, or 58.8% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Eleocharis vivipara* (present in 52.9% of points) 2) *Hydrocotyle umbellata* (present in 17.6% of points) and 3) *Nyssa aquatica* (present in 17.6% of points). Non-native species (1 species) accounted for 10% of the 10 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Clarkco Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Clarkco Lake was about average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 23rd out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was about average in terms of evenness, with an evenness ranking of 17th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Turkey Creek Reservoir (PHW):

Turkey Creek Reservoir (32.40477N, -89.15654W) was surveyed on 28 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 12'6" (3.81 m), in the 80th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 22). Overall 42 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 2.4 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 212.0 m of shoreline. Out of the 42 points surveyed 40, or 95% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Brasenia schreberi* (present in 61.9% of points) 2) *Nymphaea odorata* (present in 78.5% of points) and 3) *Chara spp.* (present in 9.5% of points). Non-native species (1 species) accounted for 16.7% of the six species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Turkey Creek Reservoir. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Turkey Creek Reservoir was lower than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 40th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was not evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 40th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Roosevelt Lake (MDWFP):

Roosevelt Lake (32.31674N, -89.67735W) was surveyed on 28 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 13'6" (4.11 m), in the 80th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 23). Overall 28 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 1.6 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 190.2 m of shoreline. Out of the 28 points surveyed 15, or 53.5% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Najas guadalupensis* (present in 21.4% of points) 2) *Alternanthera philoxeroides* (present in 17.8% of points) and 3) *Eleocharis vivipara* (present in 14.3% of points). Non-native species (3 species) accounted for 16.7% of the 18 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Roosevelt Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Roosevelt Lake was higher than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 6th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 13th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Lake Mary (Private):

Lake Mary (31.16460N, -91.54340W) was surveyed on 29 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 5'5" (1.65 m), in the 10th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 24). Overall 14 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 400 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 138.7 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 2,620 m of shoreline. Out of the 14 points surveyed 6, or 42.8% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Taxodium distichum* (present in 21.4% of points) 2) *Platanus occidentalis* (present in 21.4% of points) and 3) *Fraxinus pennsylvanica* (present in 7.1% of points). No non-native or species on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Lake Mary. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Lake Mary was lower than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 39th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage on Lake Mary was the most even of all waterbodies surveyed.

Natchez Lake (Private):

Natchez Park Lake (31.5982N, -91.20883W) was surveyed on 29 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 8'5" (2.57 m), in the 40th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 25). Overall 47 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 1.7 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 209.6 m of shoreline. Out of the 47 points surveyed 19, or 40.4% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Juncus effusus* (present in 17% of points) 2) *Platanus occidentalis* (present in 10.6% of points) and 3) *Polygonum amphibium* (present in 10.6% of points). Non-native species (1 species) accounted for 7.1% of the 14 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Natchez Park Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Natchez Park Lake was about average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 17th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 7th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Calling Panther Lake (MDWFP):

Calling Panther Lake (31.97076N, -90.47971W) was surveyed on 30 June 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 12' (3.66 m), in the 70th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 26). Overall 30 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 300 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 5.4 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 413 m of shoreline. Out of the 30 points surveyed 14, or 46.6% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Cephalanthus occidentalis* (present in 20% of points) 2) *Saururus cernuus* (present in 13.3% of points) and 3) *Typha spp.* (present in 6.7% of points). Non-native species (1 species) accounted for 8.3% of the 12 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Calling Panther Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Calling Panther Lake was about average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 20th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 9th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Simpson-Legion Lake (MDWFP):

Simpson-Legion Lake (31.91208N, -89.79332W) was surveyed on 5 July 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 9' (2.74 m), in the 50th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 27). Overall 23 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 1.3 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 196.2 m of shoreline. Out of the 23 points surveyed 20, or 86.9% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Panicum repens* (present in 43.5% of points) 2) *Alternanthera philoxeroides* (present in 34.8% of points) and 3) *Cephalanthus occidentalis* (present in 30.4% of points). Nonnative species (3 species) accounted for 16.7% of the 18 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Simpson-Legion Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Simpson-Legion Lake was higher than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 5th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 12th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Lake Lincoln (MDWFP):

Lincoln Park Lake (31.68304N, -90.32467W) was surveyed on 5 July 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 25'10.5" (7.89 m), in the 10th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 28). Overall 42 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 250 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 4.3 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 374.1 m of shoreline. Out of the 42 points surveyed 17, or 40.4% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Alternanthera philoxeroides* (present in 21.4% of points) 2) *Bacopa caroliniana* (present in 19% of points) and 3) *Saccharum giganteum* (present in 19% of points). Non-native species (3 species) accounted for 20% of the 15 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Lincoln Park Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Lincoln Park Lake was higher than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 13th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 10th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Lake Tangipahoa (MDWFP):

Lake Tangipahoa (31.18539N, -90.51764W) was surveyed on 7 July 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 5'9" (1.75 m), in the 10th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 29). Overall 48 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 4.2 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 182.1 m of shoreline. Out of the 48 points surveyed 32, or 66.7% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Polygonum spp.* (present in 39.6% of points) 2) *Salvinia minima* (present in 31.3% of points) and 3) *Nuphar lutea* (present in 29.1% of points). Non-native species (5 species) accounted for 27.8% of the 18 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Lake Tangipahoa. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Lake Tangipahoa was higher than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 11th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was about average in terms of evenness, with an evenness ranking of 23rd out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Walthall Lake (MDWFP):

Walthall Lake (31.06168N, -90.13332W) was surveyed on 7 July 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 16' (4.88 m), in the 90th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 30). Overall 20 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 0.97 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 228.6 m of shoreline. Out of the 20 points surveyed 16, or 80% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Alternanthera philoxeroides* (present in 45% of points) 2) *Eleocharis vivipara* (present in 30% of points) and 3) *Cephalanthus occidentalis* (present in 25% of points). Non-native species (2 species) accounted for 16.7% of the 12 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Walthall Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Walthall Lake was about average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 16th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 2nd out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Mary Crawford Lake (MDWFP):

Mary Crawford Lake (31.57689N, -90.15321W) was surveyed on 10 July 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 7'4.5" (2.25 m), in the 30th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 31). Overall 26 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 2.1 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 220.1 m of shoreline. Out of the 26 points surveyed 20, or 76.9% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Alternanthera philoxeroides* (present in 53.8% of points) 2) *Typha spp.* (present in 50% of points) and 3) *Eichhornia crassipes* (present in 46.2% of points). Non-native species (4 species) accounted for 22.2% of the 18 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Mary Crawford Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Mary Crawford Lake was higher than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 12th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was about average in terms of evenness, with an evenness ranking of 19th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Lake Caroline (Private):

Lake Caroline (32.56416N, -90.13993W) was surveyed on 10 July 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 6'6" (1.98 m), in the 20th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 32). Overall 29 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 400 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 11.6 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 1058.7 m of shoreline. Out of the 29 points surveyed three, or 10.3% were vegetated. The two species encountered in sampling pointes were *Colocasia esculenta* (10.3%) and *Baccharis halimifolia* (3.4%). Three non-native species were observed (37.5% of the eight species observed). No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Lake Caroline. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Lake Caroline was lower than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 30th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 8th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

English Lake (MDWFP):

English Lake (33.02579N, -89.92669W) was surveyed on 11 July 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 6'3" (1.91 m), in the 20th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 33). Overall 15 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 100 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 0.57 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 79.3 m of shoreline. Out of the 15 points surveyed six, or 40% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Polygonum spp.* (present in 33.3% of points) 2) *Alternanthera philoxeroides* (present in 26.7% of points) and 3) *Digitaria spp* and *Eleocharis obtusa* (present in 13.3% of points). Non-native species (2 species) accounted for 25% of the eight species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in English Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, English Lake was lower than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 27th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 4th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Bee Lake (Private):

Bee Lake (33.07380N, -90.3701W) was surveyed on 11 July 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 5'3" (1.60 m), in the 10th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 34). Overall, 86 points were taken, with a between-point distance of 500 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 6.2 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 525.0 m of shoreline. Out of the 86 points surveyed 77, or 89.5% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Taxodium distichum* (present in 77.9% of points) 2) *Alternanthera philoxeroides* (present in 15.1% of points) and 3) *Cephalanthus occidentalis* (present in 10.5% of points). Non-native species (3 species) accounted for 13.6% of the 22 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Bee Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Bee Lake was about average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 24th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was not evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 37th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Lake Washington (Private):

Lake Washington (33.10055N, -91.08356W) was surveyed on 12 July 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 3' (0.91 m), in the 10th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 35).

Overall 55 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 500 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 21.5 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 576.4 m of shoreline. Out of the 55 points surveyed 38, or 69.1% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Taxodium distichum* (present in 60% of points) 2) *Zizaniopsis miliacea* (present in 21.8% of points) and 3) *Colocasia esculenta* (present in 7.3% of points). Non-native species (1 species) accounted for 16.7% of the six species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Lake Washington. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Lake Washington was lower than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 37th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was not evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 36th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Moon Lake (Private):

Moon Lake (34.40917N, -90.56602W) was surveyed on 12 July 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 7' (2.1 m), in the 30th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 36). Overall 51 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 500 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 23.5 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 508.4 m of shoreline. Out of the 51 points surveyed 39, or 76.4% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Taxodium distichum* (present in 68.2% of points) 2) *Cephalanthus occidentalis* (present in 15.7% of points) and 3) *Hibiscus laevis* and *Crataegus spp*. (present in 3.9% of points). Non-native species (1 species) accounted for 14.3% of the seven species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Moon Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Moon Lake was lower than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 41st out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was not evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 41st out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Tippah County Lake (MDWFP):

Tippah County Lake (34.79545N, -88.952132W) was surveyed on 13 July 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 9'10.5" (3.01 m), in the 50th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 37). Overall 37 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 1.6 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 188.9 m of shoreline. Out of the 37 points surveyed 26, or 70.2% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Eleocharis vivipara* (present in 35.1% of points) 2) *Panicum repens* (present in 35.1% of points) and 3) *Ludwigia peploides* (present in 18.9% of points). Non-native species (2 species) accounted for 20% of the 10 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Tippah County Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Tippah County Lake was about average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 25th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was about average in terms of evenness, with an evenness ranking of 20th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Tombigbee Lake (MDWFP):

Tombigbee Lake (34.23479N, -88.62242W) was surveyed on 25 July 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 8'5" (2.42 m), in the 40th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 38). Overall 33 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one

(1) point per 0.65 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 199.4 m of shoreline. Out of the 33 points surveyed 29, or 87.8% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Justicia americana* (present in 60.6% of points) 2) *Juncus effusus* (present in 39.4% of points) and 3) *Triadenum walteri* (present in 31.4% of points). No non-native species were observed out of the 11 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Tombigbee Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Tombigbee Lake was about average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 22nd out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 14th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Elvis Presley Lake (MDWFP):

Elvis Presley Lake (34.29925, -88.65284W) was surveyed on 26 July 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 25'9" (7.84 m), in the 90th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 39). Overall 51 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 250 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 2.5 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 317.9 m of shoreline. Out of the 51 points surveyed 47, or 92.2% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Chara spp.* (present in 90.2% of points) 2) *Juncus effusus* (present in 19.6% of points) and 3) *Potamogeton nodosus* (present in 7.8% of points). Non-native species (1 species) accounted for 6.3% of the 16 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Elvis Presley Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Elvis Presley Lake was lower than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 36th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was not evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 39th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Lamar Bruce Lake (MDWFP):

Lamar Bruce Lake (34.39615N, -88.66378W) was surveyed on 26 July 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 13'6" (4.11 m), in the 80th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 40). Overall 56 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 250 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 2.1 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 331.4 m of shoreline. Out of the 56 points surveyed 31, or 55.3% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Cephalanthus occidentalis* (present in 35.7% of points) 2) *Juncus effusus* (present in 12.5% of points) and 3) *Saururus cernuus* (present in 8.9% of points). Non-native species (1 species) accounted for 4.5% of the 22 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Lamer Bruce Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Lamar Bruce Lake was higher than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked third out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was about average in terms of evenness, with an evenness ranking of 16th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Kemper County Lake (MDWFP):

Kemper County Lake (32.81326N, -88.71906W) was surveyed on 31 July 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 16'6" (5.03 m), in the 90th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 41). Overall 64 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 300 m. Sampling effort was

one (1) point per 3.9 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 355.2 m of shoreline. Out of the 64 points surveyed 57, or 89.1% were vegetated. The most common species by presence were 1) *Lindera benzoin* (present in 39.1% of points) 2) *Potamogeton foliosus* (present in 37.5% of points). Non-native species (2 species) accounted for 8% of the 25 species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Kemper County Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Kemper one of the highest in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked second out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was evenly distributed, with an evenness ranking of 6th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Anchor Lake (Private):

Anchor Lake (32.40477N, -89.15654W) was surveyed on 26 July 2017. Littoral zone depth was measured at 9'3.5" (2.83 m), in the 10th percentile of all waterbodies surveyed (Table 42). Overall 8 points were taken; with a between-point distance of 150 m. Sampling effort was one (1) point per 11.8 ha of surface area and one (1) point per 745.6 m of shoreline. Out of the 8 points surveyed 7, or 87.5% were vegetated. The top three (3) most common species by presence were 1) *Ludwigia peploides* (present in 87.5% of points) 2) *Panicum repens* (present in 75% of points) and 3) *Cyperus esculentus* (present in 25% of points). Non-native species (3 species) accounted for 37.5% of the eight species observed. No species occurring on the federal noxious weed list were observed in Anchor Lake. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, Anchor Lake was lower than average in terms of plant diversity (Shannon-Weaver H Index), and ranked 31st out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed. The plant assemblage was about average in terms of evenness, with an evenness ranking of 18th out of the 42 waterbodies surveyed.

Statewide:

In total 105 unique species were encountered (Table 43); however this is not a comprehensive list of plant species known to occur at aquatic locations in MS. Some species were only identified to the taxonomic level of genus. A total of 15 non-native species were observed (Table 43). Of the non-native species observed alligatorweed (*Alteranthera philoxeroides*) was the most widespread (30 waterbodies), followed by torpedograss (15 waterbodies), and brittle naiad (12 waterbodies). Water hyacinth (8 waterbodies), wild taro (8 waterbodies), and Cuban bulrush (7 waterbodies) are of concern as they have the potential to rapidly colonize any waterbody in the state. Of the 42 waterbodies surveyed, only four had plant assemblages composed of native aquatic plant species: Geiger Lake, Lake Hideaway, Lake Mary, and Tombigbee Lake. In some waterbodies, native species also caused nuisance problems (i.e. *Bacopa caroliniana* in Flint Creek Reservoir).

Conclusions

- Only four waterbodies in this survey had plant assemblages composed of only native aquatic plant species.
- There were 15 non-native species observed in this survey.

- Alligatorweed (30 waterbodies) and torpedograss (15 waterbodies) were the most widespread non-native species in the state.
- Brittle naiad (12 waterbodies), torpedograss (8 waterbodies), water hyacinth (8 waterbodies), and Cuban bulrush (7 waterbodies) are of concern as they have the ability to rapidly colonize any waterbody within MS in which they are introduced.

Recommendations

- Continue monitoring waterbodies within MS for the presence of non-native aquatic plant species.
- Implement early detection, rapid response (EDRR) management options on populations of those non-native aquatic plant species known to be in MS, specifically small isolated populations before they spread to other sites.
- Determine suitable goals for management of large populations of non-native aquatic plant species.
- Implement management strategies on those populations of native species that have grown to nuisance levels in MS waterbodies.

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Tables and Figures

Table 1. Plant species present in Bluff Lake. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	2'2"	Date Surveyed	6/13/2017
Secchi Down	2'4''	Total Pts. Sur	23
Littoral Depth	7'	Total Pts. Veg	22
		%-Littoral Veg	95.6
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Algae spp.	Filamentous Algae	1	4.3
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligatorweed	2	8.6
Brasenia schreberi	Watershield	*	-
Ceratophyllum demersum	Coontail	*	-
Hydrilla verticillata	Hydrilla	7	30.4
Lemna minor	Common Duckweed	1	4.3
Limnobium spongia	Frogsbit	1	4.3
Ludwigia peploides	Floating Primrose-Willow	6	26.0
Myriophyllum aquaticum	Parrotfeather	1	4.3
Nelumbo lutea	American Lotus	19	82.6
Nymphaea odorata	White Waterlily	2	8.6
Polygonum spp.	Smartweed	3	13
Sagittaria lancifolia	Bulltongue Arrowhead	*	-
Salix nigra	Black Willow	*	-
Taxodium distichum	Bald Cypress	*	-
Zizaniopsis miliacea	Giant Cutgrass	10	43.4
	Species Richness	16	
	Native Richness	13	

Table 2. Plant species present in Lake Loakfoma. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	2'6"	Date Surveyed	6/13/2017
Secchi Down	3'	Total Pts. Sur	15
Littoral Depth	7'6"	Total Pts. Veg	13
		%-Littoral Veg	86.6
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligatorweed	*	-
Brasenia schreberi	Watershield	8	53.3
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Buttonbush	*	-
Echinodorus cordifolius	Creeping Burhead	*	-
Hydrilla verticillata	Hydrilla	*	-
Limnobium spongia	Frogsbit	*	-
Ludwigia peploides	Floating Primrose-Willow	3	20.0
Myriophyllum aquaticum	Parrotfeather	*	-
Najas guadalupensis	Southern Naiad	*	-
Nelumbo lutea	American Lotus	12	80.0
Nymphaea odorata	White Waterlily	3	20.0
Polygonum spp.	Smartweed	1	6.6
Potamogeton foliosus	Leafy Pondweed	*	-
Sagittaria lancifolia	Bulltongue Arrowhead	*	-
Salix nigra	Black Willow	*	-
Typha spp.	Cattail	*	-
Utricularia spp.	Bladderwort	2	13.3
Zizaniopsis miliacea	Giant Cutgrass	1	6.6
	Species Richness	18	
	Native Richness	15	

Table 3. Plant species present in Lake Okhissa. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	8'7"	Date Surveyed	July 6, 2017
Secchi Down	8'8"	Total Pts. Sur	293
Littoral Depth	25'11"	Total Pts. Veg	284
		%-Littoral Veg	96.9
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Arundinaria gigantea	Giant cane	*	-
Baccharis halmifolia	Baccharis	*	-
Brasenia schreberi	Watershield	54	18.4
Ceratophyllum demersum	Coontail	16	5.4
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Buttonbush	*	-
<i>Chara</i> spp.	Chara	4	1.3
Colocasia esculenta	Wild taro	1	0.3
Eichhornia crassipes	Water hyacinth	1	0.3
Eleocharis obtusa	Blunt spikerush	*	-
Hydrilla verticillata	Hydrilla	219	74.7
Ludwigia peploides	Floating primrose-willow	*	-
Najas guadalupensis	Southern naiad	2	0.6
Nelumbo lutea	American lotus	*	-
Nymphaea odorata	White waterlily	4	1.3
Panicum repens	<u>Torpedograss</u>	1	0.3
Potamogeton diversifolius	Waterthread pondweed	*	-
Potamogeton nodosus	American pondweed	*	-
Sagittaria lancifolia	Bulltongue arrowhead	2	0.6
Sagittaria graminea	Grassy arrowhead	*	-
Salix nigra	Black Willow	*	-
Saururus cernuus	Lizard tail	*	-
Scirpus cyperinus	Wool grass	*	-
Typha spp.	Cattail	*	-
Utricularia spp.	Bladderwort	*	-
	Species Richness	24	
	Native Richness	21	

Table 4. Plant species present in Bay Springs Reservoir. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	6'5"	Date Surveyed	26, 27, 28, 31 July 2017
Secchi Down	7'	Total Pts. Sur	465
Littoral Depth	20'1.5"	Total Pts. Veg	365
		%-Littoral Veg	78.5
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligator weed	3	0.06
Baccharis halimifolia	Eastern baccharis	*	*
Najas minor	Brittle waternymph	1	0.02
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Common buttonbush	7	1.5
Chara spp.	Muskgrass	46	9.9
Echinodorus cordifolius	Creeping burhead	6	1.3
Eleocharis vivipara	Viviparous spikerush	11	2.4
Hibiscus moscheutos	Crimsoneyed rosemallow	3	0.06
Hydrilla verticillata	Waterthyme	155	33.3
Hydrocotyle umbellata	Manyflower marshpennywort	4	0.08
Juncus effusus	Common rush	15	3.2
Juncus spp.	Rush	11	2.3
Justicia americana	American water-willow	13	2.8
Liquidambar styraciflua	Sweetgum	2	0.04
Ludwigia peploides	Floating primrose-willow	1	0.02
Najas guadalupensis	Southern waternymph	47	10.1
Nitella spp.	Stonewort	88	18.9
Nuphar lutea	Spatterdock	1	0.02
Potamogeton foliosus	Leafy pondweed	2	0.04
Potamogeton illinoensis	Illinois pondweed	24	5.2
Potamogeton nodosus	Longleaf pondweed	93	20
Rhynchospora corniculata	Shortbristle horned beaksedge	3	0.06
Saccharum giganteum	Sugarcane plumegrass	3	0.06
Salix nigra	Black willow	2	0.04
Saururus cernuus	Lizard's Tail	4	0.08
Scirpus cyperinus	Woolgrass	4	0.08
Taxodium distichum	Bald cypress	1	0.02
Typha spp.	Cattail	*	*
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Table 5. Plant species present in Lake Columbus. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	1'4"	Date Surveyed	14 June 2017
Secchi Down	1'8"	Total Pts. Sur	39
Littoral Depth	5'	Total Pts. Veg	35
		%-Littoral Veg	89.7
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Algae spp.	Filamentous algae	1	2.5
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligator weed	20	51.3
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Common buttonbush	1	2.5
Ceratophyllum demersum	Coontail	3	7.7
Colocasia esculenta	Wild taro	2	5.1
Cyperus odoratus	Fragrant Flatsedge	1	2.5
Eichornnia crassipes	Water hyacinth	26	66.6
Eupatorium serotinum	Late Thoroughwort	1	2.5
Hydrilla verticillata	Waterthyme	5	12.8
Juncus effusus	Common rush	2	7.7
Justicia americana	American water-willow	б	15.4
Lemna minor	Common duckweed	12	30.7
Ludwigia peploides	Floating primrose-willow	1	2.5
Najas minor	Brittle naiad	1	2.5
Nelumbo lutea	American lotus	7	17.9
Nymphaea odorata	White waterlily	*	*
Oxycaryum cubense	Cuban bulrush	12	30.7
Polygonum hydropiperoides	Swamp Smartweed	1	2.5
Potamogeton crispus	Curlyleaf pondweed	1	2.5
Potamogeton nodosus	Longleaf pondweed	12	30.7
Rhynchospora corniculata	Shortbristle horned beaksedge	1	2.5
Sagittaria lancifolia	Bulltongue arrowhead	1	2.5
Sagittaria latifolia	Broadleaf arrowhead	1	2.5
<u>Salvinia minima</u>	Common salvinia	4	10.3
Saururus cernuus	Lizard's Tail	2	7.7
Taxodium distichum	Bald cypress	6	15.4
Typha spp.	Cattail	1	2.5
Utricularia spp	Bladderwort	1	2.5
Zızaniopsis miliacea	Giant cutgrass	1	2.5
	Species Richness	28	
	Native Richness	22	

Table 6. Plant species present in Lake Lowndes. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	2'7"	Date Surveyed	6/14/2017
Secchi Down	3'1"	Total Pts. Sur	32
Littoral Depth	8'6"	Total Pts. Veg	26
		%-Littoral Veg	72.2
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
<i>Algae</i> spp.	Filamentous Algae	1	3.1
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligatorweed	1	3.1
<i>Bacopa</i> spp.	Waterhyssop	5	15.6
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Buttonbush	4	12.5
<i>Chara</i> spp.	Chara	22	68.7
Cyperus odoratus	Fragrant Flatsedge	*	-
Drepanocladus spp.	Watermoss	*	-
Eleocharis obtusa	Blunt Spikerush	*	-
Eleocharis spp.	Spikerush	1	3.1
Eupatorium serotinum	Late Thoroughwort	*	-
Hydrocotyle umbellata	Manyflower Pennywort	1	3.1
Juncus spp.	Juncus	*	-
Lemna minor	Common Duckweed	1	3.1
Liquidambar styraciflua	Sweetgum	*	-
Ludwigia peploides	Floating Primrose-Willow	6	18.7
Myriophyllum aquaticum	Parrotfeather	1	3.1
Nitella spp.	Stonewort	*	-
Polygonum hydropiperoides	Swamp Smartweed	2	6.2
Polygonum pennsylvanicum	Pennsylvania Smartweed	*	-
Potamogeton diversifolius	Waterthread Pondweed	4	12.5
Potamogeton foliosus	Leafy Pondweed	*	-
Salix nigra	Black Willow	*	-
Saururus cernuus	Lizard Tail	*	-
Typha spp.	Cattail	*	-
Utricularia spp.	Bladderwort	*	-
Zizaniopsis miliacea	Giant Cutgrass	*	-
	Species Richness	26	
	Native Richness	24	

Table 7. Plant species present in Lake Hideaway. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	3'1"	Date Surveyed	6/21/2017
Secchi Down	3'7"	Total Pts. Sur	35
Littoral Depth	10'	Total Pts. Veg	26
		%-Littoral Veg	74.2
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Ceratophyllum demersum	Coontail	5	14.2
Eleocharis vivipara	Viviparous spikerush	24	68.5
Nitella spp.	Stonewort	1	2.8
Nuphar lutea	Yellow Pondlily	2	5.7
Utricularia spp.	Bladderwort	2	5.7
	Species Richness	5	
	Native Richness	5	

Table 8. Plant species present in Lake Bill Waller. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	2'10"	Date Surveyed	6/19/2017
Secchi Down	3'1"	Total Pts. Sur	37
Littoral Depth	9'	Total Pts. Veg	35
		%-Littoral Veg	94.5
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligatorweed	2	5.4
Brasenia schreberi	Watershield	31	83.7
Cyperus odoratus	Fragrant Flatsedge	1	2.7
Hydrocotyle spp.	Pennywort	3	8.1
Ludwigia palustris	Marsh Seedbox	1	2.7
Najas guadalupensis	Southern Naiad	1	2.7
Nelumbo lutea	American Lotus	*	-
Nymphaea odorata	White Waterlily	20	54.0
<u>Oxycaryum cubense</u>	<u>Cuban Bulrush</u>	3	8.1
<u>Panicum repens</u>	Torpedograss	11	29.7
Typha spp.	Cattail	3	8.1
	Species Richness	11	
	Native Richness	8	

Table 9. Plant species present in Lake Columbia. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	3'3"	Date Surveyed	6/19/2017
Secchi Down	4'	Total Pts. Sur	29
Littoral Depth	10'9"	Total Pts. Veg	27
		%-Littoral Veg	93.1
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligatorweed	1	3.4
Brasenia schreberi	Watershield	29	100
Ceratophyllum demersum	Coontail	13	44.8
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Buttonbush	*	-
Nymphaea odorata	White Waterlily	17	58.6
Polygonum spp.	Smartweed	1	3.4
Potamogeton foliosus	Leafy Pondweed	1	3.4
Typha spp.	Cattail	12	41.3
Utricularia spp.	Bladderwort	14	48.2
Zizaniopsis miliacea	Giant Cutgrass	9	31.0
	Species Richness	10	
	Native Richness	9	

Table 10. Plant species present in Lake Geiger. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	2'10"	Date Surveyed	6/20/2017
Secchi Down	3'4"	Total Pts. Sur	49
Littoral Depth	9'3"	Total Pts. Veg	39
		%-Littoral Veg	79.5
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Brasenia schreberi	Watershield	8	16.3
Ceratophyllum demersum	Coontail	3	7.6
<i>Chara</i> spp.	Chara	4	10.2
Cyperus odoratus	Fragrant Flatsedge	1	2.5
Hydrocotyle spp.	Pennywort	*	-
Ludwigia spp.	Primrose	2	5.1
Nymphaea odorata	White Waterlily	21	53.8
Quercus nigra	Water Oak	*	-
Stuckenia pectinata	Sago Pondweed	26	66.6
Saururus cernuus	Lizard Tail	*	-
Utricularia spp.	Bladderwort	11	28.2
Zizaniopsis miliacea	Giant Cutgrass	*	-
	Species Richness	12	
	Native Richness	12	

Table 11. Plant species present in Lake Perry. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	2'4"	Date Surveyed	6/20/2017
Secchi Down	3'	Total Pts. Sur	19
Littoral Depth	8'	Total Pts. Veg	15
		%-Littoral Veg	78.9
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligatorweed	1	5.2
<i>Bacopa</i> spp.	Waterhyssop	1	5.2
Brasenia schreberi	Watershield	11	57.8
Hydrolea quadrivalus	Waterpod	*	-
Ludwigia palustris	Marsh Seedbox	2	10.5
Myriophyllum spicatum	Eurasian Watermilfoil	1	5.2
Nymphaea odorata	White Waterlily	6	31.5
Polygonum spp.	Smartweed	3	15.7
Stuckenia pectinata	Sago Pondweed	3	15.7
	Species Richness	9	
	Native Richness	7	

Table 12. Plant species present in Flint Creek Reservoir. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	3'3"	Date Surveyed	6/20-21/2017
Secchi Down	4'6"	Total Pts. Sur	129
Littoral Depth	10'10"	Total Pts. Veg	116
		%-Littoral Veg	89.9
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Bacopa caroliniana	Blue Waterhyssop	54	41.8
<i>Chara</i> spp.	Chara	1	0.7
Colocasia esculenta	Wild Taro	1	0.7
<i>Hydrocotyle</i> spp.	Pennywort	4	3.1
Juncus repens	Lesser Creeping Rush	19	14.7
Mayaca fluviatilis	Stream Bogmoss	1	0.7
Panicum repens	Torpedograss	23	17.8
Stuckenia pectinata	Sago Pondweed	48	37.2
Typha spp.	Cattail	*	-
Utricularia spp.	Bladderwort	55	42.6
	Species Richness	10	
	Native Richness	9	

Table 13. Plant species present in Lake Mike Connor. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	5'	Date Surveyed	6/22/2017
Secchi Down	5'7"	Total Pts. Sur	21
Littoral Depth	15'9"	Total Pts. Veg	19
		%-Littoral Veg	90.4
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligatorweed	1	4.7
Hydrocotyle spp.	Pennywort	1	4.7
Juncus effusus	Common Rush	*	-
Ludwigia peploides	Floating Primrose-Willow	2	9.5
Najas guadalupensis	Southern Naiad	19	90.4
Panicum repens	<u>Torpedograss</u>	4	19.0
<i>Polygonum</i> spp.	Smartweed	1	4.7
Potamogeton diversifolius	Waterthread Pondweed	10	47.6
Sagittaria lancifolia	Bulltongue Arrowhead	1	4.7
Taxodium distichum	Bald Cypress	1	4.7
Typha spp.	Cattail	*	-
	Species Richness	11	
	Native Richness	9	

Table 14. Plant species present in Dry Creek Reservoir. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	3'2"	Date Surveyed	6/22/2017
Secchi Down	3'9"	Total Pts. Sur	15
Littoral Depth	10'3"	Total Pts. Veg	14
		%-Littoral Veg	93.3
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligatorweed	2	13.3
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Buttonbush	10	66.6
Juncus repens	Lesser Creeping Rush	1	6.6
<i>Ludwigia</i> spp.	Primrose	1	6.6
Pluchea camphorata	Camphor Pluchea	1	6.6
Polygonum hydropiperoides	Swamp Smartweed	1	6.6
Salix nigra	Black Willow	1	6.6
Stuckenia pectinata	Sago Pondweed	12	80.0
Utricularia spp.	Bladderwort	1	6.6
	Species Richness	9	
	Native Richness	8	

Table 15. Plant species present in Prentiss Walker Lake. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	1'10''	Date Surveyed	6/22/2017
Secchi Down	2'3"	Total Pts. Sur	25
Littoral Depth	6'1"	Total Pts. Veg	16
		%-Littoral Veg	64.0
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligatorweed	9	36.0
Azolla caroliniana	Carolina Mosquitofern	1	4.0
Brasenia schreberi	Watershield	1	4.0
Carex spp.	Sedge	1	4.0
<i>Cyperus</i> spp.	Flatsedge	1	4.0
Hydrocotyle umbellata	Manyflower Pennywort	5	20.0
Juncus repens	Lesser Creeping Rush	4	16.0
Nitella spp.	Stonewort	1	4.0
Nyssa aquatica	Water Tupelo	4	16.0
Polygonum hydropiperoides	Swamp Smartweed	3	12.0
Sagittaria lancifolia	Bulltongue Arrowhead	1	4.0
Sagittaria latifolia	Broadleaf Arrowhead	1	4.0
Saururus cernuus	Lizard Tail	3	12.0
Sparganium americanum	American Bur-reed	2	8.0
Typha spp.	Cattail	1	4.0
	Species Richness	15	
	Native Richness	14	

Table 16. Plant species present in Turkey Fork Reservoir. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	1'11''	Date Surveyed	6/23/2017
Secchi Down	2'8"	Total Pts. Sur	41
Littoral Depth	7'	Total Pts. Veg	29
		%-Littoral Veg	70.7
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligatorweed	5	12.1
Baccharis halmifolia	Baccharis	1	2.4
Brasenia schreberi	Watershield	*	-
Eleocharis vivipara	Viviparous Spikerush	6	14.6
Eichhornia crassipes	Water Hyacinth	*	-
<i>Equisetum</i> spp.	Horsetail	1	2.4
Eupatorium serotinum	Late Thoroughwort	1	2.4
Hydrocotyle umbellata	Manyflower Pennywort	3	7.3
Nymphaea odorata	White Waterlily	11	26.8
Panicum repens	Torpedograss	9	21.9
Platanus occidentalis	American Sycamore	1	2.4
Potamogeton foliosus	Leafy Pondweed	1	2.4
Scirpus cyperinus	Wool grass	3	7.3
Sparganium americanum	American Bur-reed	1	2.4
Taxodium distichum	Bald Cypress	2	4.8
Utricularia spp.	Bladderwort	10	24.3
	Species Richness	16	
	Native Richness	13	

Table 17. Plant species present in Maynor Creek Reservoir. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	3'4"	Date Surveyed	6/26/2017
Secchi Down	3'9"	Total Pts. Sur	41
Littoral Depth	10'9"	Total Pts. Veg	38
		%-Littoral Veg	92.8
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligatorweed	*	-
Bacopa caroliniana	Blue Waterhyssop	3	7.3
Brasenia schreberi	Watershield	7	17.0
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Buttonbush	2	4.8
Cerotophyllum demersusm	Coontail	2	4.8
Eleocharis vivipara	Viviparous Spikerush	2	4.8
Hydrocotyle umbellata	Manyflower Pennywort	*	-
Ludwigia peploides	Floating Primrose-Willow	7	17.0
Myriophyllum heterophyllum	Variableleaf Watermilfoil	4	9.7
Myriophyllum spicatum	Eurasian Watermilfoil	15	36.5
Najas minor	Brittle naiad	3	7.3
Nelumbo lutea	American lotus	7	17.0
Nymphaea odorata	White Waterlily	15	36.5
Panicum repens	Torpedograss	17	41.4
Potamogeton foliosus	Leafy Pondweed	20	48.7
Potamogeton diversifolius	Waterthread Pondweed	4	9.7
Sagittaria lancifolia	Bulltongue Arrowhead	1	2.4
Utricularia spp.	Bladderwort	18	43.9
	Species Richness	18	
	Native Richness	15	

Table 18. Plant species present in Lake Bogue Homa. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	1'7"	Date Surveyed	6/26/2017
Secchi Down	2'	Total Pts. Sur	29
Littoral Depth	5'6"	Total Pts. Veg	27
		%-Littoral Veg	93.1
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligatorweed	8	27.5
Cerotophyllum demersusm	Coontail	6	20.6
Chara spp.	Chara	1	3.4
<u>Eichhornia crassipes</u>	Water Hyacinth	24	82.7
Lemna minor	Common Duckweed	11	37.9
Ludwigia peploides	Floating Primrose-Willow	1	3.4
<u>Myriophyllum spicatum</u>	Eurasian watermilfoil	2	6.8
Najas minor	Brittle naiad	1	3.4
Nelumbo lutea	American lotus	2	6.8
Nitella spp.	Stonewort	1	3.4
Nymphaea odorata	White Waterlily	9	31.0
Nyssa aquatica	Water Tupelo	2	6.8
Oxycaryum cubense	<u>Cuban bulrush</u>	10	34.4
Polygonum spp.	Smartweed	1	3.4
Potamogeton nodosus	American Pondweed	1	3.4
Sagittaria latifolia	Broadleaf Arrowhead	1	3.4
Taxodium distichum	Bald Cypress	9	31.0
Typha spp.	Cattail	*	-
Utricularia spp.	Bladderwort	1	3.4
	Species Richness	19	
	Native Richness	15	

Table 19. Plant species present in Lake Claude Bennett. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	2'7"	Date Surveyed	6/27/2017
Secchi Down	3'3"	Total Pts. Sur	20
Littoral Depth	8'9"	Total Pts. Veg	14
		%-Littoral Veg	70.0
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligatorweed	12	60.0
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Buttonbush	4	20.0
Colocasia esculenta	Wild Taro	1	5.0
Echinodorus cordifolius	Creeping Burhead	1	5.0
Eleocharis quadrangulata	Squarestem Spikerush	1	5.0
Eleocharis vivipara	Viviparous Spikerush	2	10.0
Ludwigia arcuata	Piedmont Primrose-Willow	2	10.0
Ludwigia peploides	Floating Primrose-Willow	6	30.0
Nymphaea odorata	White Waterlily	*	-
Platanus occidentalis	American Sycamore	1	5.0
Polygonum amphibium	Water Knotweed	2	10.0
Polygonum hydropiperoides	Swamp Smartweed	2	10.0
Potamogeton foliosus	Leafy Pondweed	1	5.0
Sagittaria graminea	Grassy Arrowhead	7	35.0
Sagittaria latifolia	Broadleaf Arrowhead	1	5.0
Taxodium distichum	Bald Cypress	*	-
Typha spp.	Cattail	2	10.0
	Species Richness	17	
	Native Richness	15	

Table 20. Plant species present in Archusa Creek Reservoir. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	1'11"	Date Surveyed	6/27/2017
Secchi Down	2'4"	Total Pts. Sur	35
Littoral Depth	6'6"	Total Pts. Veg	33
		%-Littoral Veg	94.2
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Brasenia schreberi	Watershield	5	14.2
Ceratophyllum demersum	Coontail	3	8.5
<i>Chara</i> spp.	Chara	15	42.8
Colocasia esculenta	Wild Taro	*	-
Eleocharis vivipara	Viviparous Spikerush	2	5.7
Hydrocotyle umbellata	Manyflower Pennywort	1	2.8
Myriophyllum aquaticum	Parrotfeather	*	-
Najas guadalupensis	Southern Naiad	5	14.2
Nitella spp.	Stonewort	16	45.7
Nymphaea odorata	White Waterlily	3	8.5
Panicum repens	Torpedograss	9	25.7
Potamogeton nodosus	American Pondweed	*	-
Saururus cernuus	Lizard Tail	1	2.8
Taxodium distichum	Bald Cypress	1	2.8
Typha spp.	Cattail	*	-
Utricularia spp.	Bladderwort	13	37.1
	Species Richness	16	
	Native Richness	13	

Table 21. Plant species present in Clarkco Lake. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	3'3"	Date Surveyed	6/27/2017
Secchi Down	3'8"	Total Pts. Sur	17
Littoral Depth	9'5"	Total Pts. Veg	10
		%-Littoral Veg	58.8
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%- Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligatorweed	2	11.7
Eleocharis vivipara	Viviparous Spikerush	9	52.9
Hydrocotyle umbellata	Manyflower Pennywort	3	17.6
Najas guadalupensis	Southern naiad	1	5.8
Nyssa aquatica	Water Tupelo	3	17.6
Rhynchospora corniculata	Shortbristle Horned Beaksedge	*	-
Sagittaria lancifolia	Bulltongue Arrowhead	2	11.7
Sagittaria latifolia	Broadleaf Arrowhead	*	-
Sparganium americanum	American Bur-reed	1	5.8
Utricularia spp.	Bladderwort	1	5.8
	Species Richness	10	
	Native Richness	9	

Table 22. Plant species present in Turkey Creek Reservoir. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	3'11"	Date Surveyed	6/28/2017
Secchi Down	4'4"	Total Pts. Sur	42
Littoral Depth	12'6"	Total Pts. Veg	40
		%-Littoral Veg	95
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligatorweed	*	-
Brasenia schreberi	Watershield	26	61.9
Chara spp.	Chara	4	9.5
Juncus effusus	Common rush	*	-
Nymphaea odorata	White Waterlily	33	78.5
Saururus cernuus	Lizard's Tail	*	-
	Species Richness	6	
	Native Richness	5	

Table 23. Plant species present in Roosevelt Lake. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	4'2"	Date Surveyed	6/28/2017
Secchi Down	4'11"	Total Pts. Sur	28
Littoral Depth	13'6"	Total Pts. Veg	15
		%-Littoral Veg	53.5
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligatorweed	5	17.8
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Buttonbush	2	7.1
Eichhornia crassipes	Water hyacinth	2	7.1
Eleocharis vivipara	Viviparous Spikerush	4	14.3
Fraxinus pennsylvanica	Green ash	1	3.6
Hydrolea quadrivalvis	Waterpod	*	-
Juncus effusus	Common rush	1	3.6
Myriophyllum aquaticum	Parrot feather	*	-
Najas guadalupensis	Southern naiad	6	21.4
Nyssa aquatica	Water tupelo	*	-
Peltandra virginica	Green arrow arum	*	-
Polygonum amphibium	Water knotweed	*	-
Polygonum hydropiperoides	Swamp smartweed	*	-
Sacciolepis striata	American cupscale grass	*	-
Sagittaria latifolia	Broadleaf Arrowhead	*	-
Saururus cernuus	Lizard's Tail	1	3.6
Taxodium distichum	Bald cypress	*	-
Typha spp.	Cattail	*	-
	Species Richness	18	
	Native Richness	15	

Table 24. Plant species present in Lake Mary. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	1'6"	Date Surveyed	6/29/2017
Secchi Down	2'	Total Pts. Sur	14
Littoral Depth	5'5"	Total Pts. Veg	6
		%-Littoral Veg	42.8
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Fraxinus pennsylvanica	Green ash	1	7.1
Platanus occidentalis	American sycamore	3	21.4
Taxodium distichum	Bald cypress	3	21.4
	Species Richness	3	
	Native Richness	3	

Table 25. Plant species present in Natchez Lake. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	2'7"	Date Surveyed	6/29/2017
Secchi Down	3'	Total Pts. Sur	47
Littoral Depth	8'5"	Total Pts. Veg	19
		%-Littoral Veg	40.4
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%- Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligatorweed	1	2.1
Arundinaria gigantea	Giant cane	1	2.1
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Buttonbush	1	2.1
Hydrocotyle umbellata	Manyflower marshpennywort	*	_
Juncus effusus	Common rush	8	17
Lindera benzoin	Northern spicebush	*	-
Liquidambar styraciflua	Sweetgum	4	8.5
Platanus occidentalis	American sycamore	5	10.6
Pluchea camphorata	camphorweed	2	4.3
Polygonum amphibium	Water knotweed	5	10.6
Polygonum hydropiperoides	Swamp smartweed	1	2.1
Saccharum giganteum	Sugarcane plumegrass	2	4.3
Saururus cernuus	Lizard's Tail	1	2.1
Typha spp.	Cattail	*	-
	Species Richness	14	
	Native Richness	13	

Table 26. Plant species present in Calling Panther Lake. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	3'8"	Date Surveyed	6/30/2017
Secchi Down	4'4"	Total Pts. Sur	30
Littoral Depth	12'	Total Pts. Veg	14
		%-Littoral Veg	46.6
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%- Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligator weed	*	-
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Common buttonbush	6	20
Eleocharis vivipara	Viviparous spikerush	1	3.3
Fraxinus pennsylvanica	Greenash	1	3.3
Juncus effusus	Common rush	*	-
Nelumbo lutea	American lotus	*	-
Nymphaea odorata	American white waterlily	1	3.3
Polygonum spp.	Knotgrass	*	-
Salix nigra	Black willow	1	3.3
Saururus cernuus	Lizard's tail	4	13.3
Scirpus cyperinus	Woolgrass	1	3.3
Typha spp.	Cattail	2	6.7
	Species Richness	12	
	Native Richness	11	

Table 27. Plant species present in Simpson-Legion Lake. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	2'8"	Date Surveyed	7/5/2017
Secchi Down	3'3"	Total Pts. Sur	23
Littoral Depth	9'	Total Pts. Veg	20
		%-Littoral Veg	86.9
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Algae spp.	Filamentous algae	5	21.7
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligator weed	8	34.8
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Common buttonbush	7	30.4
Cyperus esculentus	Yellow nutsedge	1	4.3
Hydrocotyle umbellata	Manyflower marshpennywort	6	26
Juncus effusus	Common rush	*	-
Lindera benzoin	Northern spicebush	4	17.4
Ludwigia peploides	Floating primrose-willow	1	4.3
Nymphaea odorata	American white waterlily	*	-
Panicum repens	Torpedo grass	10	4.3
Peltandra virginica	Green arrow arum	2	8.7
Potamogeton diversifolius	Waterthread pondweed	6	26
Saccharum giganteum	Sugarcane plumegrass	*	-
Sagittaria latifolia	broadleaf arrowhead	1	4.3
Saururus cernuus	Lizard's tail	1	4.3
Sparganium americanum	American bur-reed	*	-
Taxodium distichum	Bald cypress	1	4.3
Typha spp.	Cattail	*	-
	Species Richness	18	
	Native Richness	15	

Table 28. Plant species present in Lake Lincoln. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	1'8"	Date Surveyed	7/5/2017
Secchi Down	2'	Total Pts. Sur	42
Littoral Depth	5'6"	Total Pts. Veg	17
		%-Littoral Veg	40.4
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%- Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligator weed	9	21.4
Baccharis halimifolia	Eastern baccharis	1	2.3
Bacopa caroliniana	Blue waterhyssop	8	19
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Common buttonbush	3	7.1
Colocasia esculenta	Wild taro	5	11.9
Eichhornia crassipes	Water hyacinth	2	4.8
Lindera benzoin	Northern spicebush	1	2.3
Nymphaea odorata	American white waterlily	*	-
Phragmites australis	Common reed	3	7.1
Rhynchospora corniculata	Shortbristle horned beaksedge	1	2.3
Saccharum giganteum	Sugarcane plumegrass	8	19
Sagittaria lancifolia	Bulltongue arrowhead	2	4.8
Saururus cernuus	Lizard's tail	*	_
Taxodium distichum	Bald cypress	*	_
Typha spp.	Cattail	1	2.3
	Species Richness	15	
	Native Richness	12	

Table 29. Plant species present in Lake Tangipahoa. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	1'9"	Date Surveyed	7/7/2017
Secchi Down	2'1"	Total Pts. Sur	48
Littoral Depth	5'9"	Total Pts. Veg	32
		%-Littoral Veg	66.6
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%- Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligator weed	11	22.9
<u>Eichhornia crassipes</u>	Water hyacinth	11	22.9
Hydrocotyle ranunculoides	Floating marshpennywort	5	10.4
Justicia americana	American water-willow	2	4.2
Lemna spp.	Duckweed	1	2.1
Ludwigia peploides	Floating primrose-willow	3	6.2
Myriophyllum aquaticum	Parrotfeather	1	2.1
Nelumbo lutea	American lotus	*	-
Nuphar lutea	Spatterdock	14	29.1
Nymphaea odorata	American white waterlily	2	4.2
Oxycaryum cubense	Cuban bulrush	1	2.1
Panicum hemitomon	Maidencane	12	25
Panicum repens	Torpedo grass	*	-
Polygonum spp.	Knotgrass	19	39.6
Sacciolepis striata	American cupscale	*	-
Salix nigra	Black willow	*	-
Salvinia minima	Water spangles	15	31.3
Saururus cernuus	Lizard's tail	2	4.2
	Species Richness	18	
	Native Richness	13	

Table 30. Plant species present in Lake Walthall. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	4'11"	Date Surveyed	7/7/2017
Secchi Down	5'9"	Total Pts. Sur	20
Littoral Depth	16'	Total Pts. Veg	16
		%-Littoral Veg	80
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%- Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligator weed	9	45
Bacopa rotundifolia	Disk waterhyssop	3	15
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Common buttonbush	5	25
Eleocharis vivipara	Viviparous spikerush	6	30
Liquidambar styraciflua	Sweetgum	2	10
Panicum repens	Torpedo grass	1	5
Sacciolepis striata	American cupscale	4	20
Salix nigra	Black willow	3	15
Saururus cernuus	Lizard's tail	1	5
Scirpus cyperinus	Woolgrass	2	10
Sparganium americanum	American bur-reed	1	5
Taxodium distichum	Bald cypress	2	10
	Species Richness	12	
	Native Richness	10	

Table 31. Plant species present in Lake Mary Crawford. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	2'2"	Date Surveyed	7/10/2017
Secchi Down	2'9"	Total Pts. Sur	26
Littoral Depth	7'5"	Total Pts. Veg	20
		%-Littoral Veg	76.9
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
<i>Algae</i> spp.	Filamentous algae	8	30.7
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligator weed	14	53.8
Brasenia schreberi	Watershield	1	3.9
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Common buttonbush	1	3.9
Eichhornia crassipes	Water hyacinth	12	46.2
Juncus effusus	Common rush	1	3.9
Najas guadalupensis	Southern waternymph	1	3.9
Nelumbo lutea	American lotus	1	3.9
Nymphaea odorata	American white waterlily	2	7.7
Oxycaryum cubense	Cuban bulrush	1	3.9
Panicum repens	Torpedo grass	9	34.6
Polygonum spp.	Knotgrass	1	3.9
Sacciolepis striata	American cupscale	1	3.9
Sagittaria lancifolia	Bulltongue arrowhead	4	15.4
Salix nigra	Black willow	2	7.7
Salvinia minima	Water spangles	3	11.5
Scirpus cyperinus	Woolgrass	*	-
Typha spp.	Cattail	13	50
	Species Richness	18	
	Native Richness	14	

Table 32. Plant species present in Lake Caroline. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	2'	Date Surveyed	7/10/2017
Secchi Down	2'4"	Total Pts. Sur	29
Littoral Depth	6'6"	Total Pts. Veg	3
		%-Littoral Veg	10.3
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligator weed	*	-
Baccharis halimifolia	Eastern baccharis	1	3.4
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Common buttonbush	*	-
<u>Colocasia esculenta</u>	Wild taro	3	10.3
Juncus effusus	Common rush	*	-
Panicum repens	Torpedo grass	*	-
Sesbania herbacea	Bigpod sesbania	*	-
Typha spp.	Cattail	*	-
	Species Richness	8	
	Native Richness	5	

Table 33. Plant species present in English Lake. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	2'	Date Surveyed	7/11/2017
Secchi Down	2'2"	Total Pts. Sur	29
Littoral Depth	6'3"	Total Pts. Veg	3
		%-Littoral Veg	10.3
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligatorweed	4	13.8
Digitaria spp.	Crabgrass	2	6.9
Eleocharis obtusa	Blunt spikerush	2	6.9
Eupatorium serotinum	Lateflowering thoroughwort	1	3.4
Ludwigia peploides	Floating primrose-willow	1	3.4
Oxycaryum cubense	Cuban bulrush	*	-
Polygonum spp.	Knotweed	5	17.2
Saccharum giganteum	Sugarcane plumegrass	1	3.4
	Species Richness	8	
	Native Richness	6	

Table 34. Plant species present in Bee Lake. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	1'8"	Date Surveyed	7/11/2017
Secchi Down	1'10"	Total Pts. Sur	86
Littoral Depth	5'3"	Total Pts. Veg	77
		%-Littoral Veg	89.5
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligator weed	13	15.1
Callicarpa americana	American beautyberry	1	1.1
Carya aquatica	Water hickory	3	3.5
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Common buttonbush	9	10.5
Hibiscus laevis	Halberdleaf rosemallow	7	8.1
Hydrocotyle ranunculoides	Floating marshpennywort	6	7
Hydrolea quadrivalvis	waterpod	*	-
Justicia americana	American water-willow	2	2.3
Leersia oryzoides	Rice cutgrass	2	2.3
Lemna spp.	Duckweed	4	4.7
Ludwigia arcuata	Piedmont primrose-willow	6	7
Nelumbo lutea	American lotus	*	-
Oxycaryum cubense	Cuban bulrush	1	1.1
Polygonum spp.	knotweed	2	2.3
Rhynchospora corniculata	Shortbristle horned beaksedge	1	1.1
<u>Sagittaria montevidensis</u>	Giant arrowhead	6	7
Salix nigra	Black willow	1	1.1
Salvinia minima	Water spangles	*	-
Taxodium distichum	Bald cypress	67	77.9
Tillandsia usneoides	Spanish moss	1	1.1
Typha spp.	Cattail	*	-
Utricularia spp.	Bladderwort	1	1.1
	Species Richness	22	
	Native Richness	19	

Table 35. Plant species present in Lake Washington. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	0'11"	Date Surveyed	7/12/2017
Secchi Down	1'1"	Total Pts. Sur	55
Littoral Depth	3'	Total Pts. Veg	38
		%-Littoral Veg	69.1
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Colocasia esculenta	Wild taro	4	7.3
Equisetum spp.	Horsetail	*	-
Platanus occidentalis	American sycamore	3	5.5
Saururus cernuus	Lizard's tail	1	1.8
Taxodium distichum	Bald cypress	33	60
Zizaniopsis miliacea	Giant cutgrass	12	21.8
	Species Richness	6	
	Native Richness	5	

Table 36. Plant species present in Moon Lake. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	2'2"	Date Surveyed	7/12/2017
Secchi Down	2'6"	Total Pts. Sur	51
Littoral Depth	7'	Total Pts. Veg	39
		%-Littoral Veg	76.4
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligator weed	*	-
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Common buttonbush	8	15.7
Crataegus spp.	Hawthorn	2	3.9
Digitaria spp.	Crabgrass	*	-
Hibiscus laevis	Halberdleaf rosemallow	2	3.9
Platanus occidentalis	American sycamore	1	2
Taxodium distichum	Bald cypress	35	68.2
	Species Richness	7	
	Native Richness	6	

Table 37. Plant species present in Tippah County Lake. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	3'3"	Date Surveyed	7/13/2017
Secchi Down	3'4"	Total Pts. Sur	37
Littoral Depth	9'10.5"	Total Pts. Veg	26
		%-Littoral Veg	70.2
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
<i>Algae</i> spp.	Filamentous algae	2	5.4
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligator weed	1	2.7
Chara spp.	Muskgrass	4	10.8
Eleocharis vivipara	Viviparous spikerush	13	35.1
Juncus effusus	Common rush	3	8.1
Ludwigia palustris	Marsh seedbox	1	2.7
Ludwigia peploides	Floating primrose-willow	7	18.9
Panicum repens	Torpedo grass	13	35.1
Polygonum hydropiperoides	Swamp smartweed	*	-
Taxodium distichum	Bald cypress	2	5.4
	Species Richness	10	
	Native Richness	8	

Table 38. Plant species present in Tombigbee Lake. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	2'7"	Date Surveyed	7/25/2017
Secchi Down	2'11"	Total Pts. Sur	33
Littoral Depth	8'5"	Total Pts. Veg	29
		%-Littoral Veg	87.8
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Bacopa rotundifolia	Disk waterhyssop	2	6.1
Boehmeria cylindrica	Smallspike false nettle	2	6.1
Ceratophyllum demersum	Coontail	7	21.2
Chara spp.	Muskgrass	3	9.1
Juncus effusus	Common rush	13	39.4
Justicia americana	American water-willow	20	60.6
Ludwigia peploides	Floating primrose-willow	3	9.1
Panicum rigidulum	Redtop panicgrass	3	9.1
Polygonum spp.	Knotweed	1	3
Potamogeton foliosus	Leafy pondweed	2	6.1
Triadenum walteri	Greater marsh St. Johnswort	12	36.4
	Species Richness	11	
	Native Richness	11	

Table 39. Plant species present in Elvis Presley Lake. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	8'5"	Date Surveyed	7/26/2017
Secchi Down	8'9"	Total Pts. Sur	51
Littoral Depth	25'9"	Total Pts. Veg	47
		%-Littoral Veg	92.2
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Brasenia schreberi	Watershield	*	
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Common buttonbush	2	3.9
Chara spp.	Muskgrass	46	90.2
Echinodorus cordifolius	Creeping burhead	1	1.9
Eleocharis quadrangulata	Squarestem spikerush	1	1.9
Eleocharis vivipara	Viviparous spikerush	3	5.9
Hydrocotyle umbellata	Manyflower marshpennywort	*	-
Hydrolea quadrivalvis	Waterpod	1	1.9
Juncus effusus	Common rush	10	19.6
Platanus occidentalis	American sycamore	*	-
Potamogeton diversifolius	Waterthread pondweed	2	3.9
Potamogeton foliosus	Leafy pondweed	2	3.9
Potamogeton nodosus	Longleaf pondweed	4	7.8
Sagittaria latifolia	Broadleaf arrowhead	2	3.9
Sagittaria montevidensis	Giant arrowhead	*	-
Scirpus cyperinus	Woolgrass	*	-
	Species Richness	16	
	Native Richness	15	

Table 40. Plant species present in Lake Lamer Bruce. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	4'3"	Date Surveyed	7/26/2017
Secchi Down	4'9"	Total Pts. Sur	56
Littoral Depth	13'6"	Total Pts. Veg	31
		%-Littoral Veg	55.3
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Algae spp.	Filamentous algae	3	5.3
Acer rubrum	Red maple	2	3.6
Carya aquatica	Water hickory	1	1.8
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Common buttonbush	20	35.7
Cyperus esculentus	Yellow nutsedge	1	1.8
Eleocharis obtusa	Blunt spikerush	1	1.8
Eleocharis vivipara	Viviparous spikerush	4	7.1
Hydrocotyle umbellata	Manyflower marshpennywort	3	5.4
Hydrolea quadrivalvis	waterpod	3	5.4
Juncus effusus	Common rush	7	12.5
Juncus spp.	Rush	3	5.4
Justicia americana	American water-willow	*	*
Leersia oryzoides	Rice cutgrass	3	5.4
Ludwigia peploides	Floating primrose-willow	1	1.8
Panicum spp.	Panicgrass	1	1.8
Potamogeton diversifolius	Waterthread pondweed	3	5.4
Saccharum giganteum	Sugarcane plumegrass	*	*
Sagittaria lancifolia	Bulltongue arrowhead	*	*
Saururus cernuus	Lizard's Tail	5	8.9
Scirpus cyperinus	Woolgrass	1	1.8
Sparganium americanum	American bur-reed	*	*
Taxodium distichum	Bald cypress	3	5.4
	Species Richness	22	
	Native Richness	21	

Table 41. Plant species present in Kemper County Lake. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	5'3"	Date Surveyed	7/31/2017
Secchi Down	5'9"	Total Pts. Sur	64
Littoral Depth	16'6"	Total Pts. Veg	57
		%-Littoral Veg	89.1
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligator weed	4	6.3
Boehmeria cylindrica	Smallspike false nettle	1	1.6
Brasenia schreberi	Watershield	6	9.4
Dulichium arundinaceum	Three-way sedge	4	6.3
Echinodorus cordifolius	Creeping burhead	7	10.9
Eleocharis vivipara	Viviparous spikerush	11	17.2
Hydrocotyle umbellata	Manyflower marshpennywort	1	1.6
Hydrolea quadrivalvis	Waterpod	1	1.6
Juncus effusus	Common rush	9	14.1
Lindera benzoin	Northern spicebush	25	39.1
Ludwigia peploides	Floating primrose-willow	6	9.4
Nitella spp.	Stonewort	4	6.3
Nuphar lutea	Spatterdock	3	4.7
Nymphaea odorata	American white waterlily	5	7.8
Panicum repens	Torpedo grass	5	7.8
Potamogeton diversifolius	Waterthread pondweed	2	3.1
Potamogeton foliosus	Leafy pondweed	24	37.5
Sacciolepis striata	American cupscale	1	1.6
Sagittaria graminea	Grassy arrowhead	3	4.7
Sagittaria latifolia	Broadleaf arrowhead	1	1.6
Scirpus cyperinus	Woolgrass	*	*
Sparganium americanum	American bur-reed	11	17.2
Triadenum walteri	Greater marsh St. Johnswort	1	1.6
Typha spp.	Cattail	1	1.6
Utricularia spp.	Bladderwort	11	17.2
	Species Richness	25	
	Native Richness	23	

Table 42. Plant species present in Anchor Lake. An '*' denotes the presence of a species in the waterbody while it was not present at any survey points. Species in **Bold** type are listed on the State and/or Federal Noxious Weed List; species that are <u>underlined</u> are non-native.

Secchi Up	1.6'	Date Surveyed	7/26/2017
Secchi Down	1.7'	Total Pts. Sur	8
Littoral Depth	10'	Total Pts. Veg	7
		%-Littoral Veg	87.5
Scientific Name	Common Name	# Pts. Present	%-Frequency
Colocasia esculaenta	Wild taro	*	*
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Common buttonbush	*	*
Ludwigia peploides	Floating primrose-willow	1	14.3
Juncus spp.	Rush	*	*
Najas guadalupensis	Southern naiad	1	14.3
Panicum repens	Torpedograss	6	85.7
Salix negra	Black willow	1	14.3
Scirpus spp.	Bulrush	*	*
Triadica sebifera	Chinese tallow	1	14.3
Taxodium distichum	Bald cypress	2	28.6
<i>Typha</i> spp.	Cattail	*	*
	Species Richness	11	
	Native Richness	8	

Table 43. List of all species encountered during this survey. In the native status column, a '-' indicates that the native status is not known.

Scientific Name	Common Native	Native Status	# of Lakes
Acer rubrum	Red maple	Native	1
Algae spp.	Algae	-	7
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligatorweed	Non-native	30
Arundinaria gigantea	Giant cane	Native	2
Azolla caroliniana	Carolina Mosquitofern	Native	1
Baccharis halimifolia	Eastern baccharis	Native	5
Bacopa caroliniana	Blue Waterhyssop	Native	4
Bacopa spp.	Waterhyssop	-	2
Boehmeria cylindrica	Smallspike false nettle	Native	2
Brasenia schreberi	Watershield	Native	16
Callicarpa americana	American beautyberry	Native	1
Carex spp.	Sedge	-	1
Carya aquatica	Water hickory	Native	2
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Common buttonbush	Native	21
Ceratophyllum demersum	Coontail	Native	10
Chara spp.	Chara	-	11
Colocasia esculenta	Wild Taro	Non-native	8
Crataegus spp.	Hawthorn	Native	1
Cyperus esculentus	Yellow nutsedge	Non-native	4
Cyperus odoratus	Fragrant flatsedge	Native	4
Cyperus spp.	Flatsedge	-	1
Digitaria spp.	Crabgrass	-	2
Drepanocladus spp.	Watermoss	-	1
Dulichium arundinaceum	Three-way sedge	Native	1
Echinodorus cordifolius	Creeping burhead	Native	5
Eichhornia crassipes	Water hyacinth	Non-native	8
Eleocharis obtusa	Blunt spikerush	Native	4
Eleocharis quadrangulata	Squarestem spikerush	Native	2
Eleocharis spp.	Spikerush	-	1
Eleocharis vivipara	Viviparous spikerush	Native	14
Equisetum spp.	Horsetail	-	2
Eupatorium serotinum	Lateflowering thoroughwort	Native	3
Fraxinus pennsylvanica	Green ash	Native	3
Hibiscus laevis	Halberdleaf rosemallow	Native	2
Hibiscus moscheutos	Crimsoneyed rosemallow	Native	1
Hydrilla verticillata	Hydrilla	Non-native	5
Hydrocotyle ranunculoides	Floating marshpennywort	Native	2
Hydrocotyle spp.	Pennywort	-	4

Hydrocotyle umbellata	Manyflower marshpennywort	Native	12
Hydrolea quadrivalvis	Waterpod	Native	6
Juncus effusus	Common rush	Native	15
Juncus repens	Lesser Creeping Rush	Native	3
Juncus spp.	Rush	-	3
Justicia americana	American water-willow	Native	6
Leersia oryzoides	Rice cutgrass	Native	2
Lemna minor	Common Duckweed	Native	3
Lemna spp.	Duckweed	-	3
Limnobium spongia	Frogsbit	Native	3
Lindera benzoin	Northern spicebush	Native	4
Liquidambar styraciflua	Sweetgum	Native	4
Ludwigia arcuata	Piedmont Primrose-Willow	Native	2
Ludwigia palustris	Marsh Seedbox	Native	3
Ludwigia peploides	Floating Primrose-Willow	Native	18
Ludwigia spp.	Primrose	Native	2
Mayaca fluviatilis	Stream Bogmoss	Native	1
Myriophyllum aquaticum	Parrot feather watermilfoil	Non-native	6
Myriophyllum heterophyllum	Variableleaf Watermilfoil	Native	1
Myriophyllum spicatum	Eurasian Watermilfoil	Non-native	3
Najas guadalupensis	Southern Naiad	Native	10
Najas minor	Brittle naiad	Non-native	12
Nelumbo lutea	American lotus	Native	11
Nitella spp.	Stonewort	-	7
Nuphar lutea	Spatterdock	Native	4
Nymphaea odorata	American white waterlily	Native	20
Nyssa aquatica	Water Tupelo	Native	4
Oxycaryum cubense	Cuban Bulrush	Non-native	7
Panicum hemitomon	Maidencane	Native	1
Panicum repens	Torpedo grass	Non-native	15
Panicum rigidulum	Redtop panicgrass	Native	1
Panicum spp.	Panicgrass	-	4
Peltandra virginica	Green arrow arum	Native	2
Phragmites australis	Common reed	Non-native	1
Platanus occidentalis	American Sycamore	Native	7
Pluchea camphorata	Camphorweed	Native	2
Polygonum amphibium	Water Knotweed	Native	3
Polygonum hydropiperoides	Swamp Smartweed	Native	7
Polygonum pennsylvanicum	Pennsylvania Smartweed	Native	1
Polygonum spp.	Knotweed	-	10
Potamogeton crispus	Curlyleaf pondweed	Non-Native	1

Potamogeton diversifolius	Waterthread pondweed	Native	8
Potamogeton foliosus	Leafy Pondweed	Native	10
Potamogeton illinoensis	Illinois pondweed	Native	2
Potamogeton nodosus	Longleaf pondweed	Native	6
Quercus nigra	Water Oak	Native	1
Rhynchospora corniculata	Shortbristle Horned Beaksedge	Native	5
Saccharum giganteum	Sugarcane plumegrass	Native	6
Sacciolepis striata	American cupscale	Native	5
Sagittaria graminea	Grassy Arrowhead	Native	3
Sagittaria lancifolia	Bulltongue Arrowhead	Native	11
Sagittaria latifolia	Broadleaf Arrowhead	Native	9
Sagittaria montevidensis	Giant arrowhead	Non-native	2
Salix nigra	Black Willow	Native	12
Salvinia minima	Waterspangles	Non-native	3
Saururus cernuus	Lizard's Tail	Native	17
Scirpus cyperinus	Woolgrass	Native	9
Sesbania herbacea	Bigpod sesbania	Native	1
Sparganium americanum	American bur-reed	Native	7
Stuckenia pectinata	Sago Pondweed	Native	4
Taxodium distichum	Bald Cypress	Native	19
Tillandsia usneoides	Spanish moss	Native	1
Triadenum walteri	Greater marsh St. Johnswort	Native	2
Triadica sebifera	Chinese tallow	Non-native	1
Typha spp.	Cattail	-	23
Utricularia spp.	Bladderwort	-	16
Zizaniopsis miliacea	Giant Cutgrass	Native	7



Figure 1: Location of 42 Mississippi waterbodies surveyed in June and July 2017.



Figure 2. Map of Lake Claude Bennett including survey and vegetated sites.



Figure 3. Map of Bay Springs reservoir including survey, vegetated, and hydrilla sites.



Figure 4. Map of Lake Mary including survey and vegetated sites.