Cache River Monitoring 11-6000

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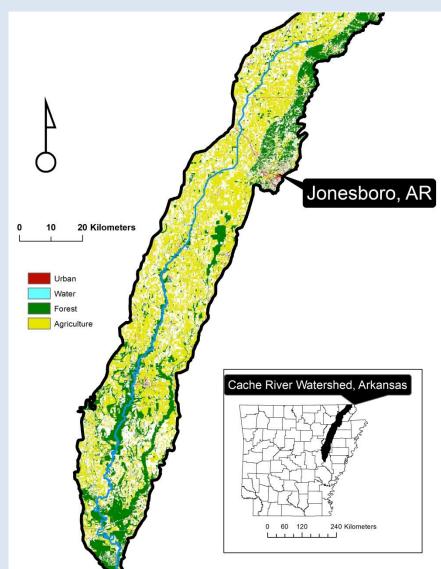
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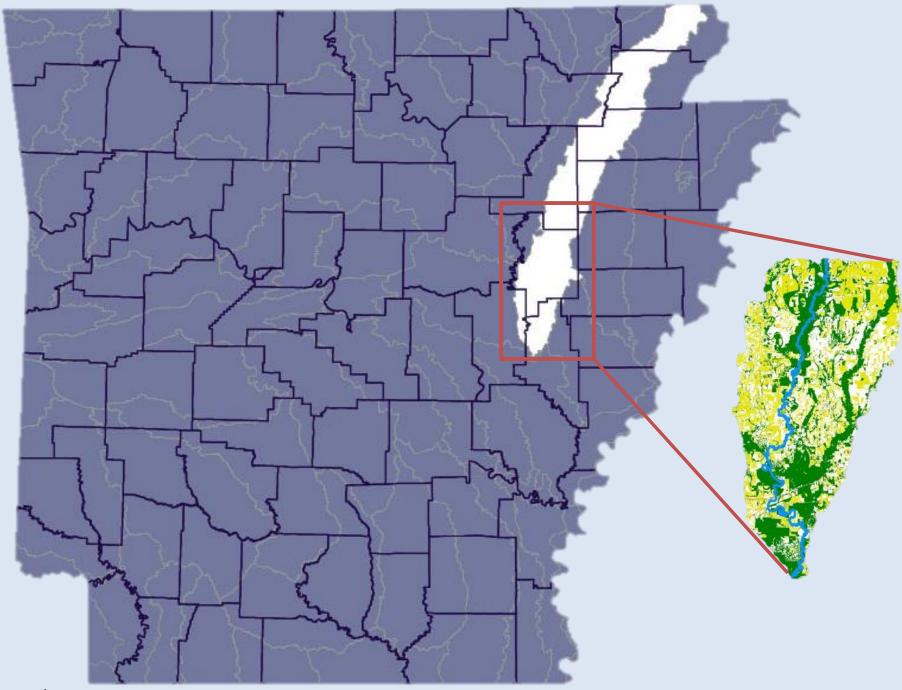




Cache River

- Delta bottomland hardwood forests
- Agricultural land
- 2 main channels of watershed
- Cache & Bayou DeView





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Wetland of International Importance

- Ramsar Wetland
 - 1989
 - Ramsar site 442
- Commitment to maintain
 - Ecological character
 - Sustainable use of wetlands in their territories



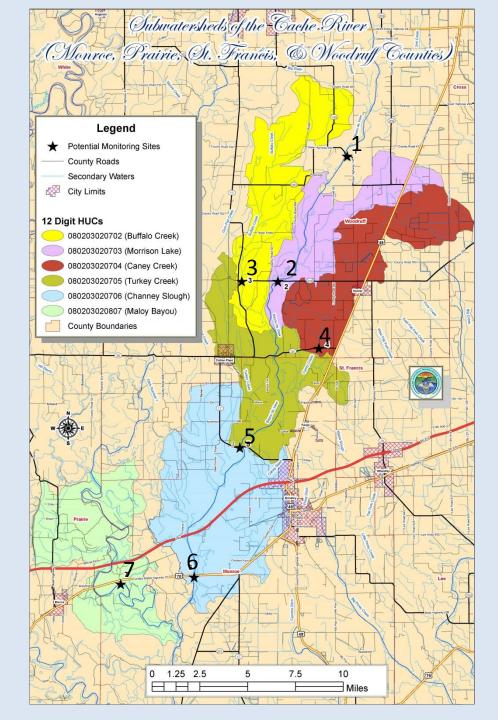






Sampling sites

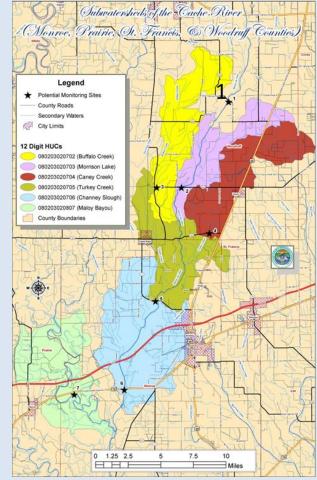
- Site 1 upstream of target subwatersheds
- Sites 2-6 Bayou De View subwatersheds
- Site 7 Cache River main channel

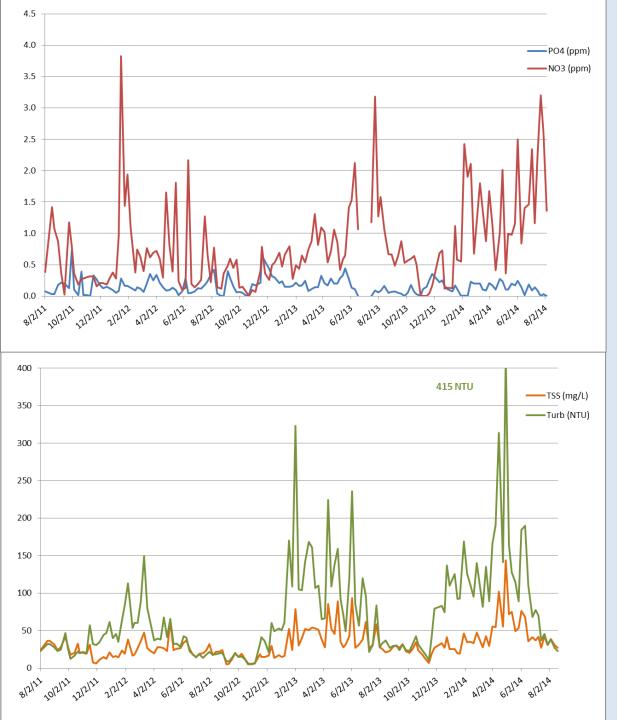


Measured Parameters

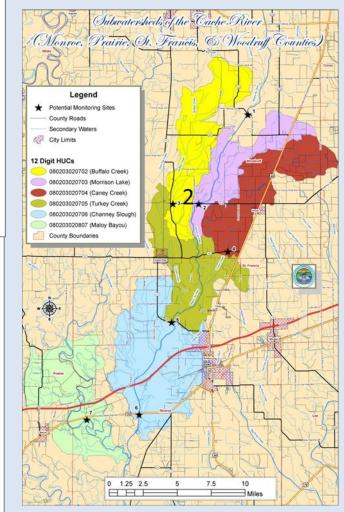
- pH
- Dissolved Oxygen
- Total Suspended Solids (TSS)
- Turbidity
- Dissolved Nitrate, Nitrite, Orthophosphate
- Total Nitrogen, Total Phosphorus

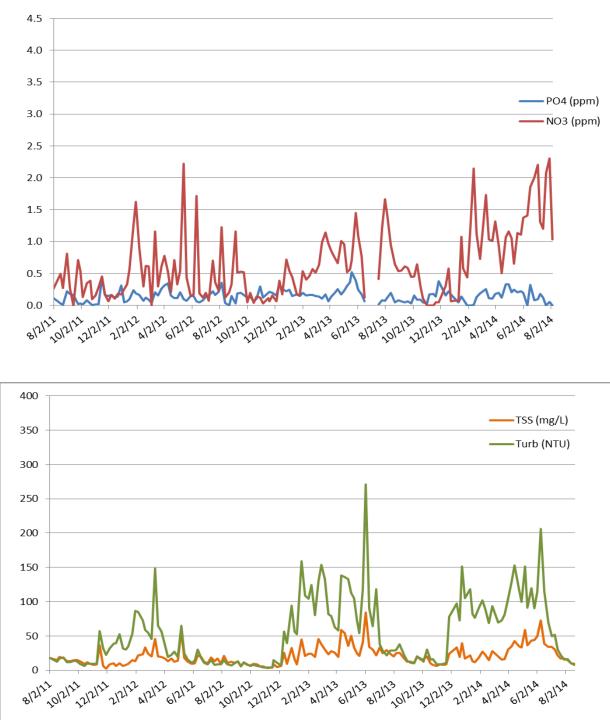




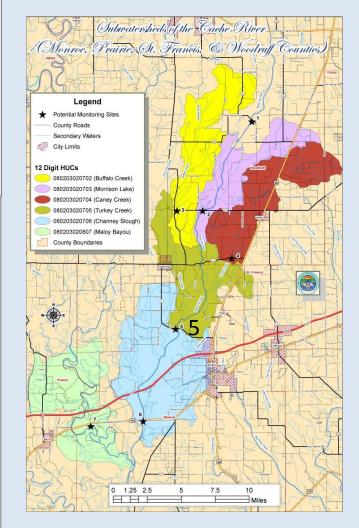


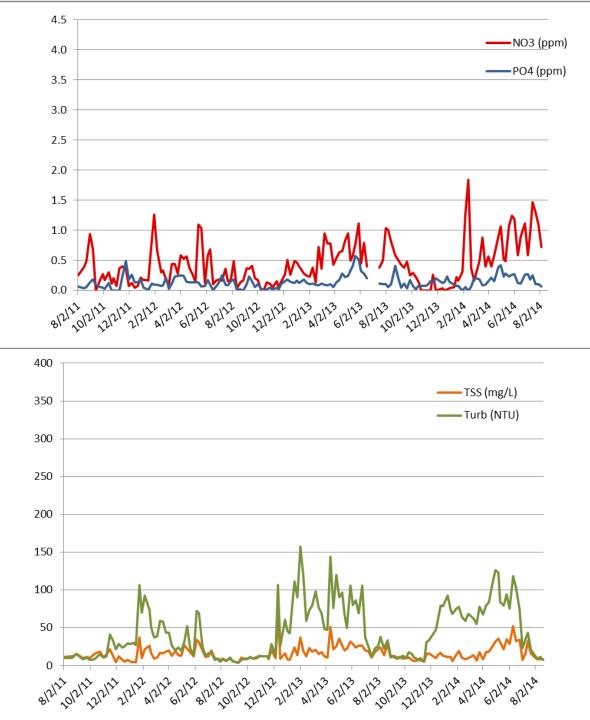
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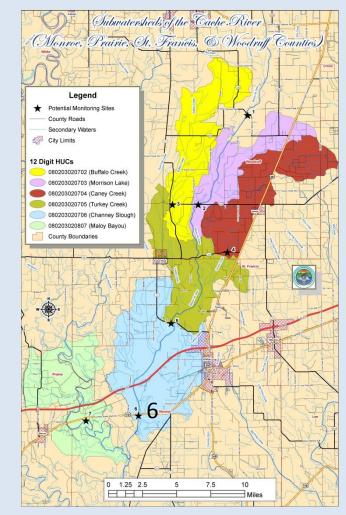


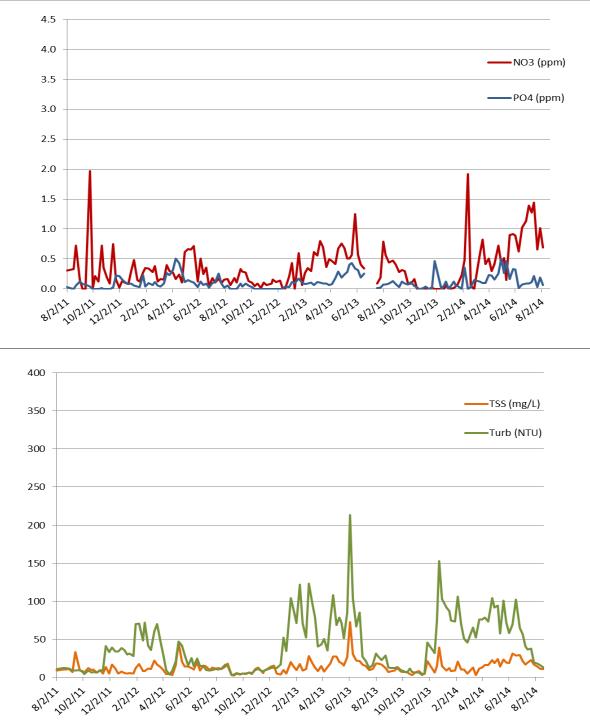
Site 5 Turkey Creek



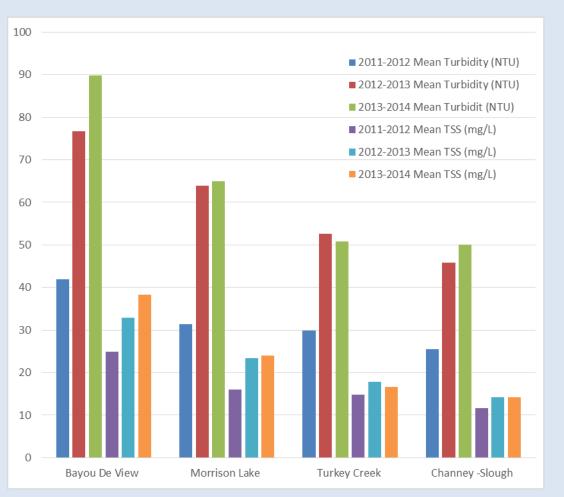


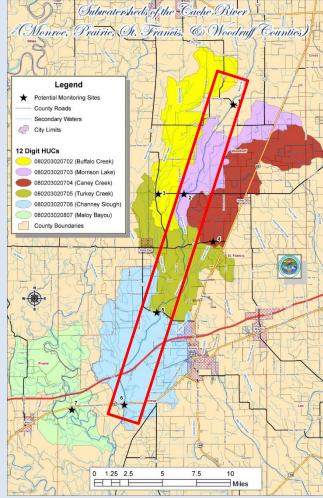
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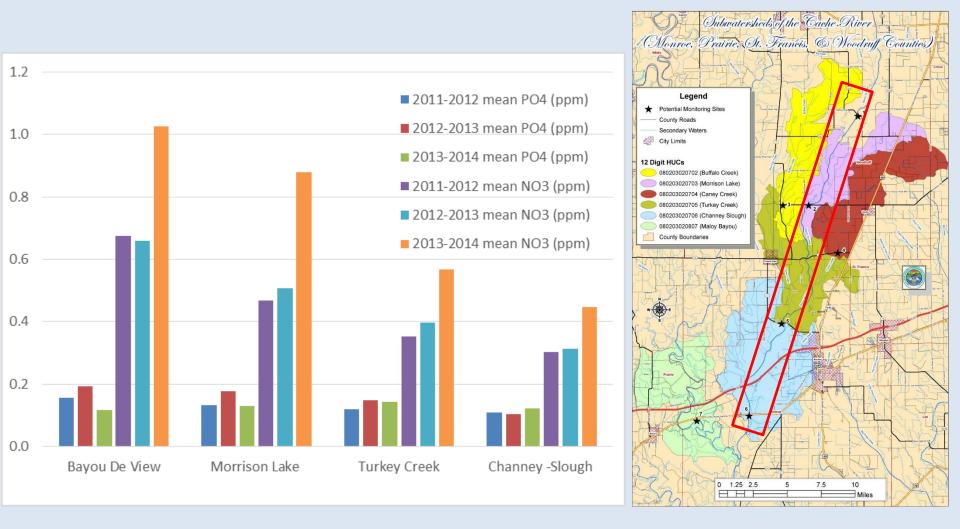


Sites 1,2,5,6





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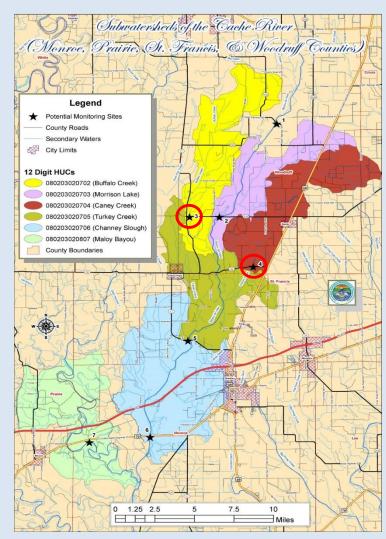
Morrison Lake

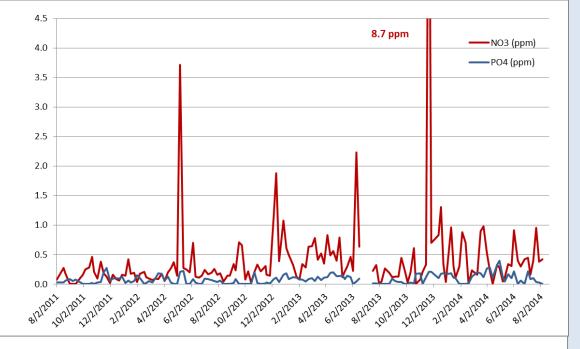
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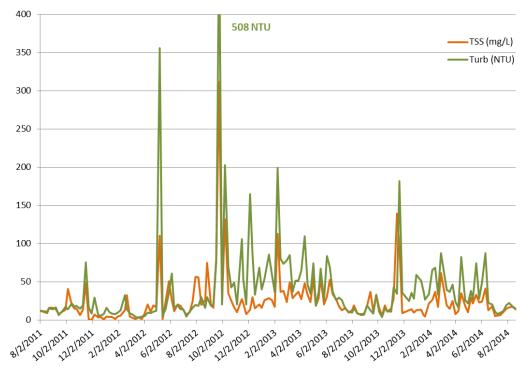
Channey -Slough

Sites 3,4

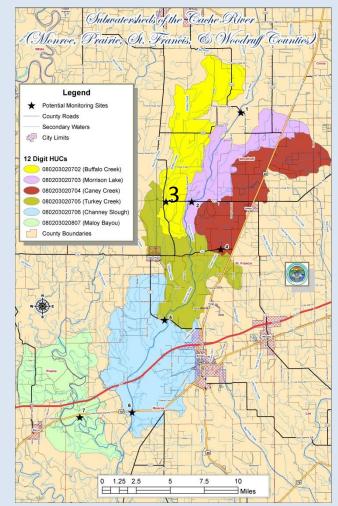
Bayou DeView tributaries – confluence between Morrison Lake and Turkey Creek (sites 2 and 5)

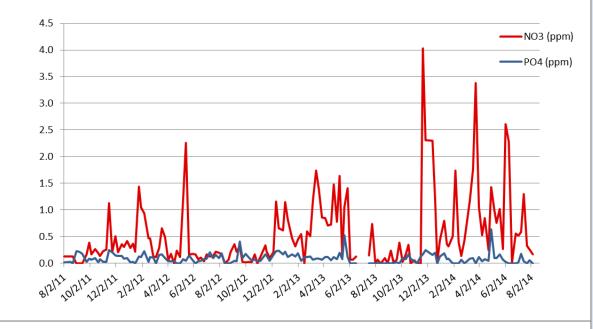


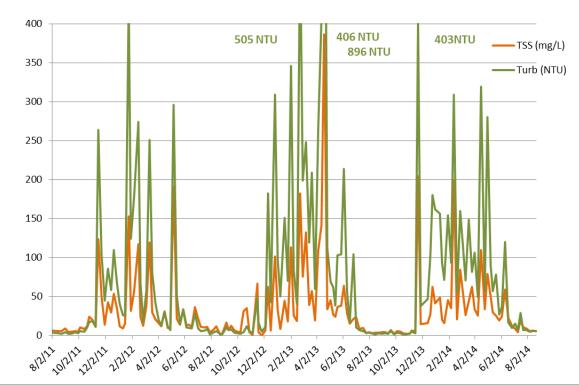




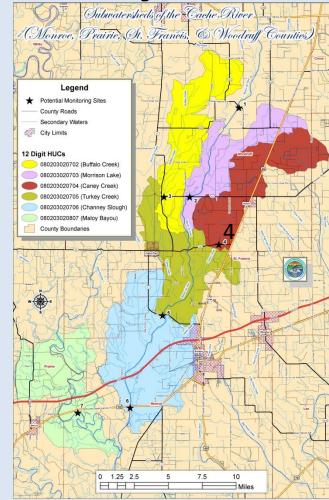
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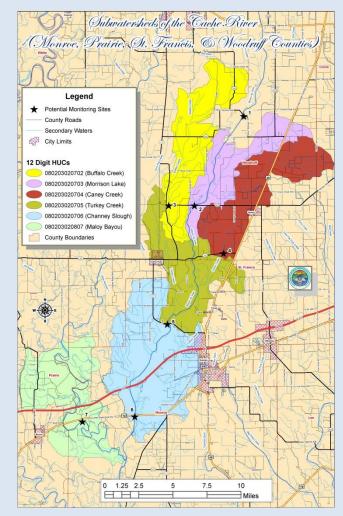


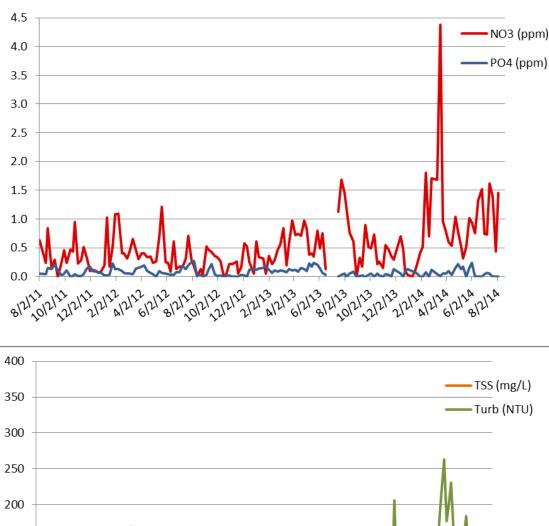


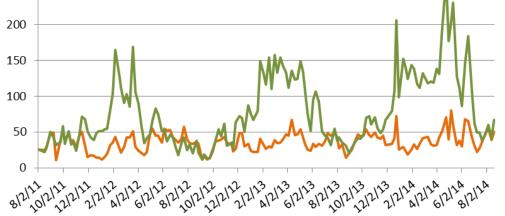
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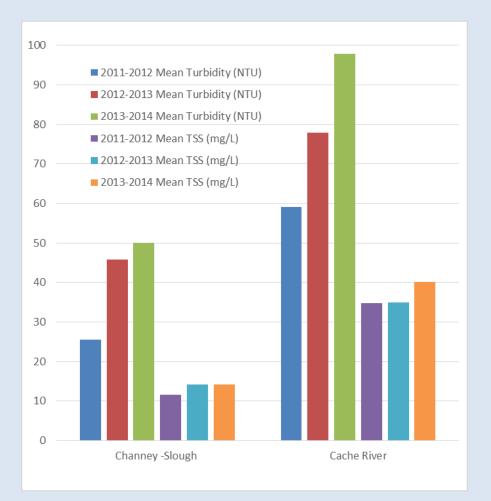
Site 7 Cache River

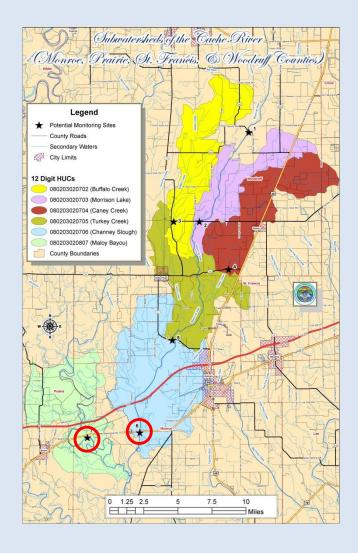




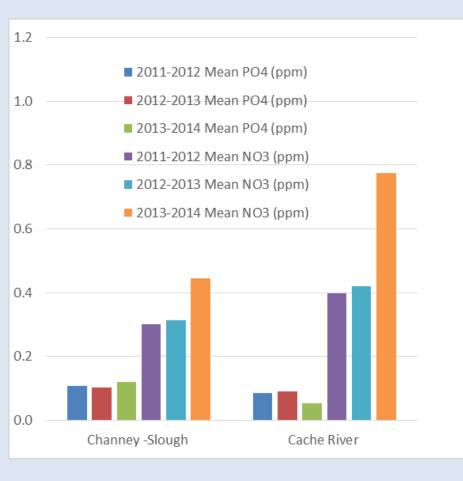


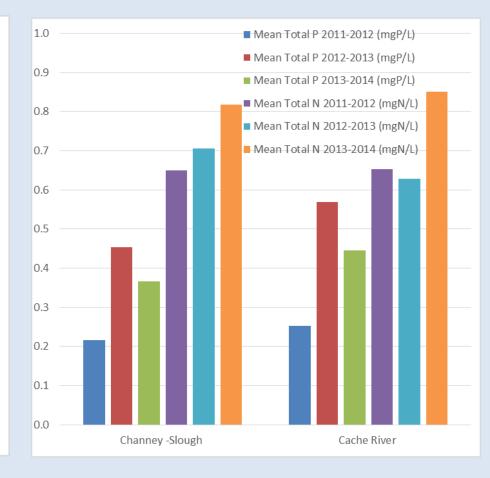
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	Channey-Slough	Cache River
TSS	19,217.5	122,557.4
NO3	604.1	2,368.5
PO4	164.1	162.5
Total N	1,108.7	2,597.7
Total P	497.4	1,360.4

2013-2014 mean annual loading from Bayou DeView channel as measured at Channey-Slough and Cache River channel, upstream from their confluence.

USGS streamflow data from Morton (Bayou DeView) and Patterson (Cache) 1997-2014, 1987-2014

Results

- Nutrient and sediment total input greater for Cache River channel
- Trend of lower sediment and nutrient values at downstream sites in Bayou De View channels
- Established wetlands and meanders in the Bayou DeView channel reduce nutrient and sediment loading
- Drought year (2012) and wet years (2013 & 2014)

Questions?



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