



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

North Florida Habitat Assessment Benchmark Sites

Stafford Creek @ Lee Farm Rd

Division of Environmental Assessment and Restoration
Water Quality Standards Program

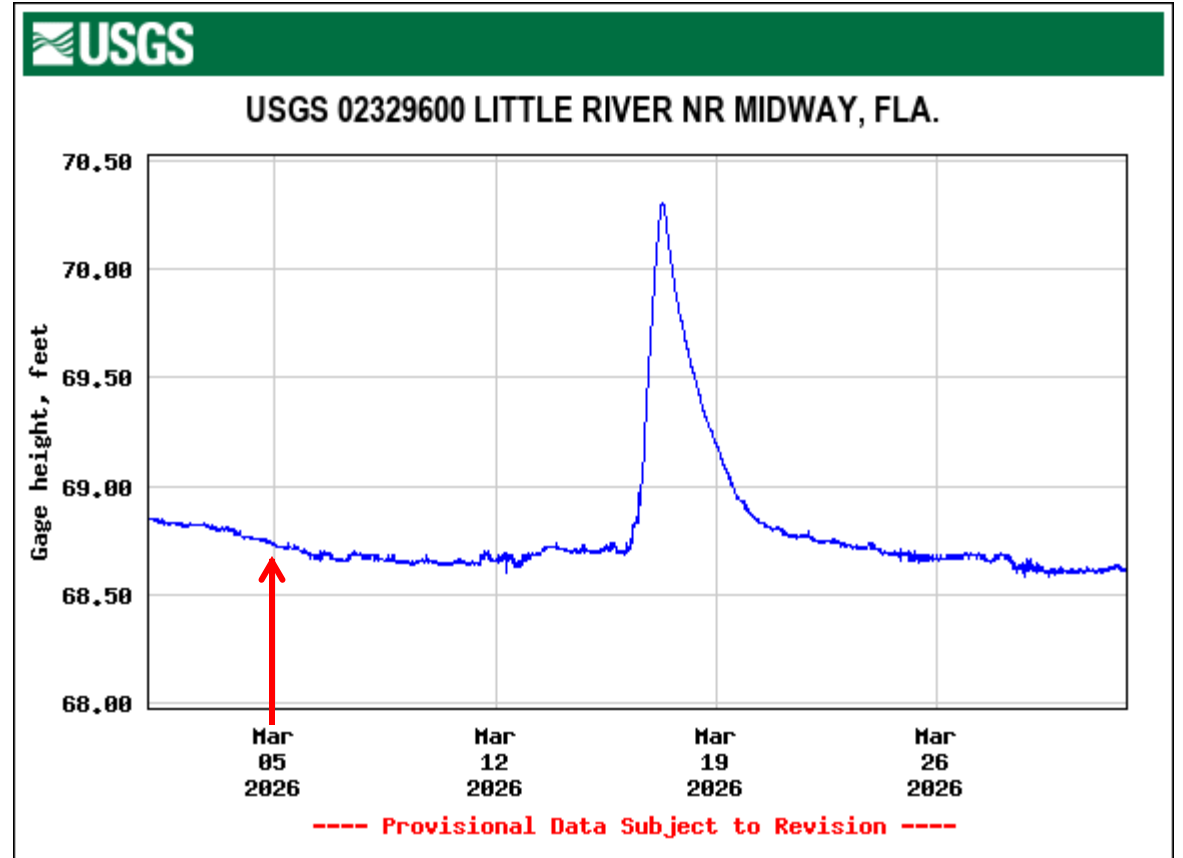
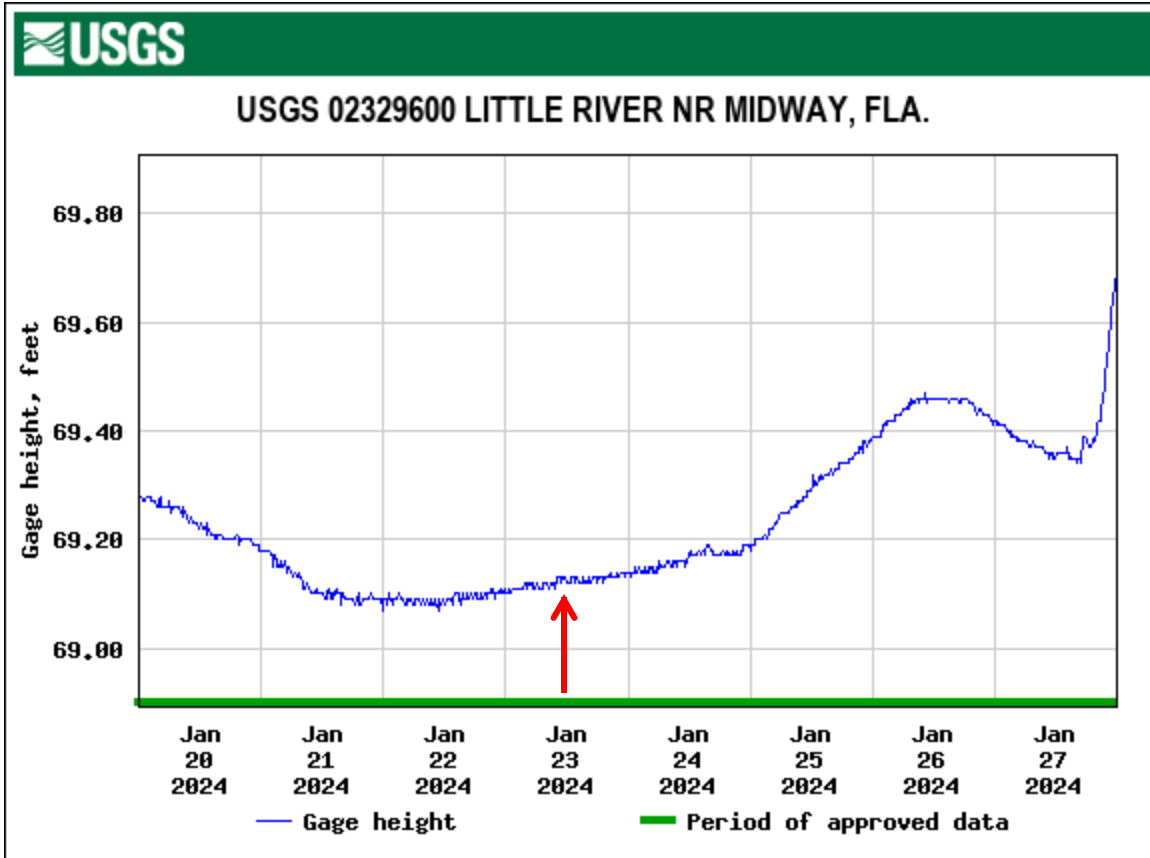


PROCEDURE

- Evaluate each site per SOP FT3100, "Stream and River Habitat Assessment", using forms FD9000-3, FD9000-4, and FD9000-5. It is recommended that you use the most current editions of the forms and the SOP.
- **Work independently.**
- Submit all completed forms to the FDEP Aquatic Ecology and Quality Assurance (AEQA) Section in Tallahassee.
- The range for a passing score is +/- 10 points from the predetermined consensus score. However, consideration will be given to scores outside this range if they were legitimately caused by different conditions at the time of sampling compared to conditions when the consensus score was decided (i.e., higher/lower water level, velocity).
- Analysts must pass 2 out of 3 Habitat Assessments every 5 years.
- Once scores have been reviewed, analysts will receive notice of passing or failing from the AEQA Section.
- Analysts should take photos to document stream conditions at the time of assessment. Photos may be submitted to AEQA after initial determination of passing/failing if an analyst believes his/her score for a given site is out of the +/- 10-point range due to justifiable reasons.



AREA HYDROGRAPHS



The consensus score for these Panhandle Region sites were originally established on January 23, 2024, and revisited on March 5, 2026. Above is the gage height data for a nearby stream during the visits. If you conduct habitat assessment at these sites at different water levels, be sure to document current conditions.

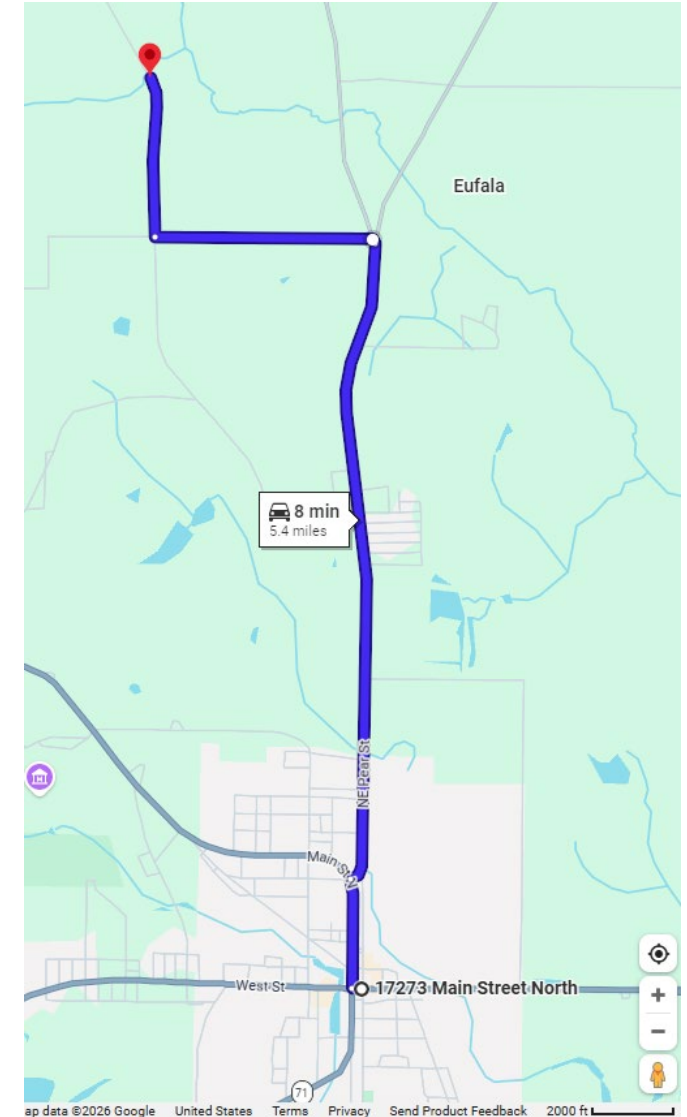


STAFFORD CREEK @ LEE FARM RD

- **Region:** North
- **County:** Calhoun
- **Lat/Longs:**

Parking	30.504708, -85.061670
0m	30.50465, -85.06186
100m	30.50418, -85.0625

- **Directions:** From Blountstown, turn north on to Main St N, and turn right onto FL-69 after 0.5 miles. Go north for 3 miles and then turn left onto Co Rd 69A, immediately turn left again onto State Hwy 549. Go 1 mile and turn right onto Lee Farm Rd. Go 0.7 miles and park on the right side of the road before the bridge. The 0m flags are about 20 m southwest of the bridge.





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