#### Natural Source Exclusion Case Study: Reedy Creek, Central FL



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#### **Reedy Creek**

•Wildlife Management Conservation Area

•Land use is 54% wetlands, 15% urban, 14% upland forests, 9% transportation, communications, and utilities, 5% barren land, 3% water, and 0.25% rangeland •2010 placed on 303(d) List for impaired waters





# **Birds of Reedy Creek**





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#### Fecal Coliform Levels Reedy Creek 2000-2010



#### Relationship Between Fecal Coliform Concentrations and Bird Counts at RC-14



# Fecal Indicator Bacteria Mean Concentrations Aug 2011\* RC-14 and C-12D





	<b>RC-14</b>	<b>C-12D</b>
Fecal Coliforms <sup>a</sup>	115	1905
E. coli	100	1023
Enterococci	302	977

\*n=5 <sup>a</sup>MPN or CFU/100 ml

## Human HF183 Marker at RC-14 (Reedy Creek) and C-12D

#### Concentration of the human-associated marker (HF183) observed during the study



Catellicoccus Gull marker not detected

#### **2012 Reedy Creek Sampling**



# 2012 MST Results for GFD (Bird), HF183 and Gull (*Catellicoccus*

Date	Sample	GFD	HF183	Gull2
1/30/12	RC-13D	+	$4.5 \times 10^{-10}$	<10
	RC-14	+	$1.1 \times 10^2$	$6.8 \times 10^7$
	RC-16B	+	$9.2 \times 10^{1}$	<10
	C-3X	+	$1.2 \times 10^2$	<10
2/7/12	N1 (C1-X)	+	$3.5 \times 10^2$	NA <sup>b</sup>
	N2	+	$8.8 \times 10^{1}$	NA
	N3 (RC-2X)	+	$1.7 \times 10^2$	NA
	N4	+	$2.5 \times 10^2$	NA
3/13/12	N1 (RC-2X)	+	$1.0 \times 10^{3}$	$1.2  imes 10^8$
	N2	+	$9.6 \times 10^2$	$1.8  imes 10^1$
	N3	+	<10 <sup>a</sup>	8.2
	N4 (C-3X)	+	$1.1 \times 10^2$	<10
	N5 (RC-12)	+	$1.7 \times 10^{2}$	$9.1 \times 10^{5}$
	N6 (RC-16)	+	<10	$1.2  imes 10^8$

#### Specificity Testing of MST Markers

Date	Sample	GFD	HF183	Gull2
12/15/11	Black vulture	+	_ <sup>b</sup>	+
	Wood stork	+	-	+
	White ibis	+	-	+
3/13/12	Deer 1	-	$2.6 \times 10^4$	<10
	Deer Composite	-	<10 <sup>c</sup>	<10
	Bat	+	<10	<10
4/19/12	Deer 2	NA	<10	NA
	Deer 3	NA	<10	NA
	Deer 4	NA	<10	NA
	Deer 5	NA	<10	NA
	Deer 6	NA	<10	NA



Sequenced; 99% identical to HF183

#### **Analysis by Florida DEP**



# FIB Concentrations for Vegetation and Sediment Samples







- Bonnet Creek is human-impacted.
- Is HF183 from deer causing the low level of human signal in Reedy Creek?
- Or are human bacteria being transported from Bonnet Creek to Reedy Creek?
- Does not explain "human" signal upstream of RC-14.
- Dog marker is clearly picking up a signal from another source.

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