

POLLUTANT EXPORT FROM 3 COASTAL NC WATERSHEDS

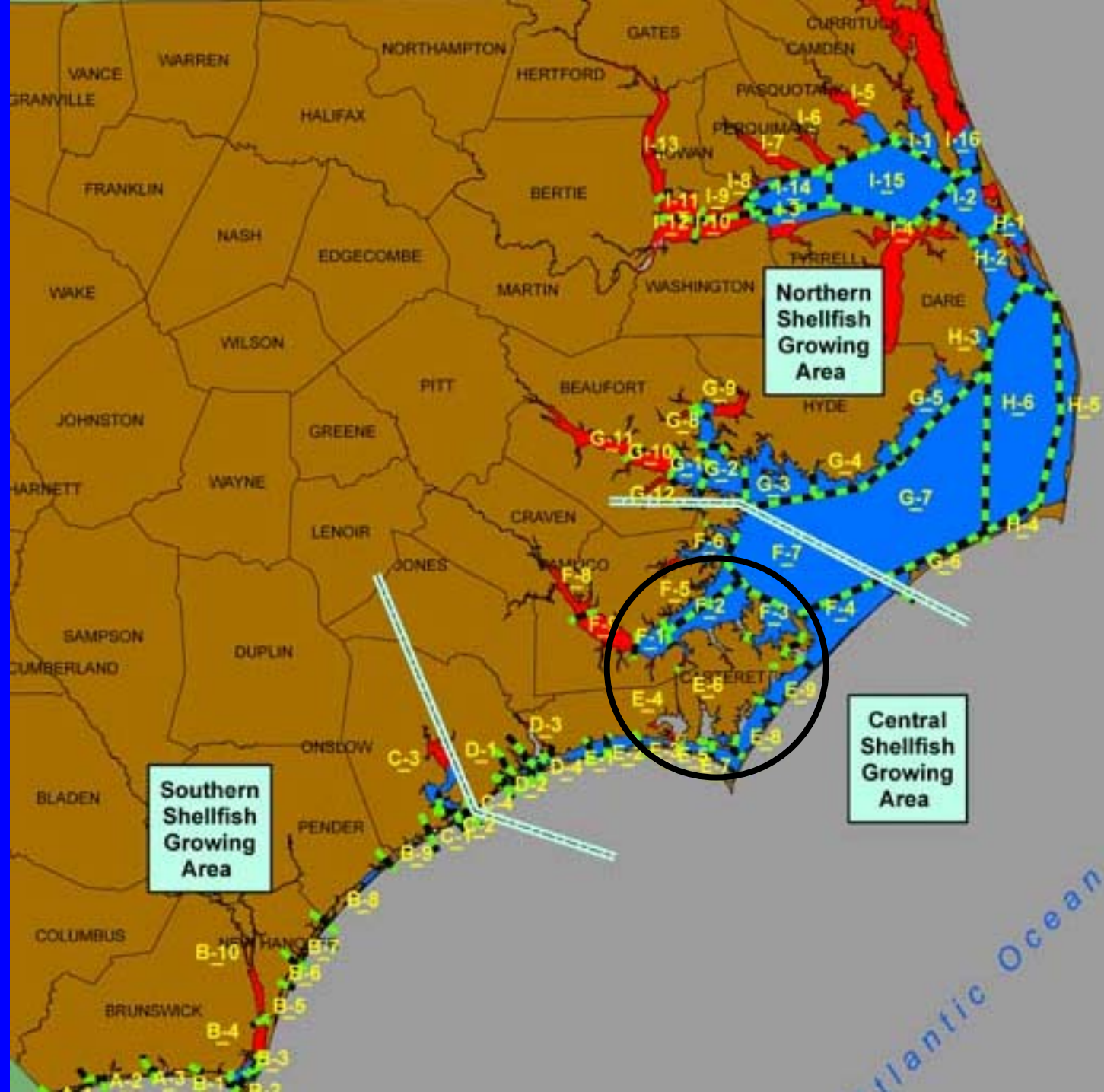
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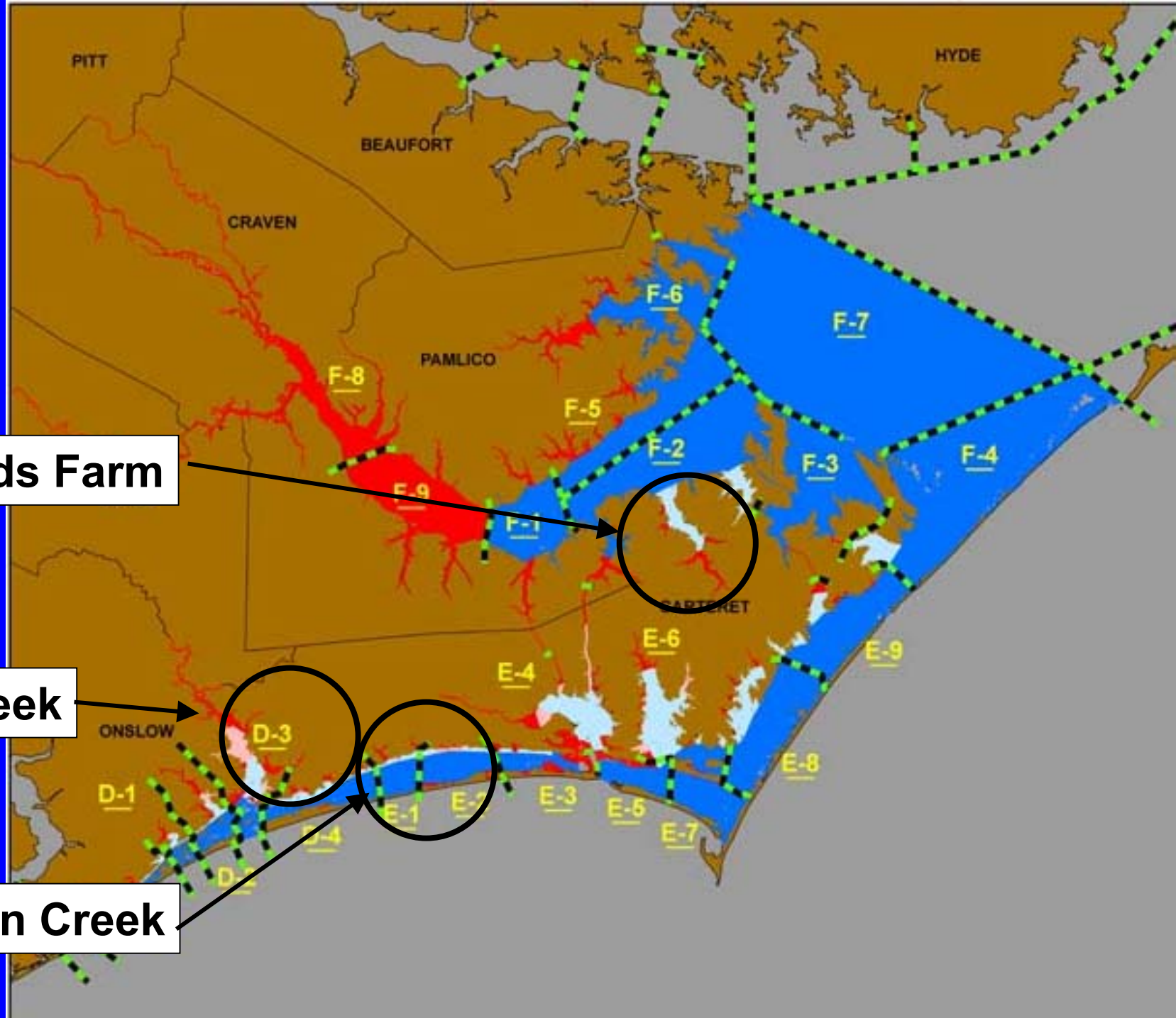
USDA CSREES Grants

- **Monitoring and TMDL Modeling Techniques to Assess Bacterial Loading in Estuarine Environments Applied to Improve Shellfish Resource Management Programs (12/06)**
- **Integrated Watershed-based Molecular and Hydrologic Monitoring Techniques to Assess Pathogen Loading in Estuarine Environments and Improve Shellfish Resource Management Programs (9/07)**

Shellfish Resources







Open Grounds Farm

Pettiford Creek

Jumping Run Creek

Watersheds

- **Jumping Run Creek**
 - Area: ~800 ac
 - Land Use: Commercial, residential, mining
 - Soil: Leon and Kureb sand & Murville mucky sand
- **Pettiford Creek**
 - Area: ~2800 ac
 - Land use: National forest
 - Soils: Leon sand and Murville mucky sand
- **Open Grounds Ditch**
 - Area: ~630 ac
 - Land use: Cropland
 - Soils: Ponzer muck and Arapahoe loamy sand

Jumping Run Creek

Residential

Commercial area

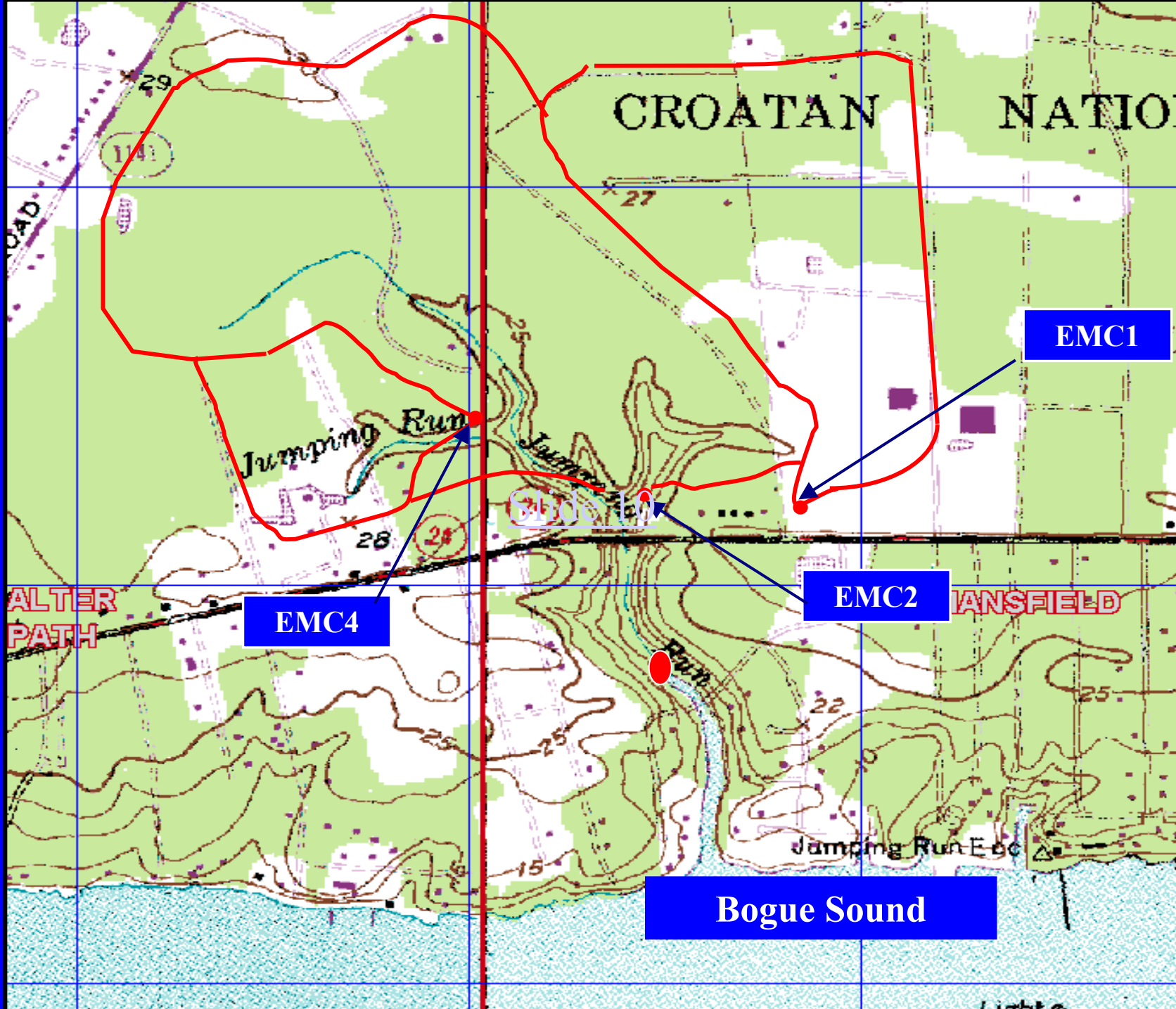
Mining

Shellfish beds



PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

- **Hydrology**
 - Permeable soils, relatively little surface runoff
 - High water table
- **Drainage**
 - Ditched extensively
- **Topography**
 - Flat (slopes $<1\%$) except near Jumping Run



Drainage Areas

- **EMC1– 63 ha, commercial/industrial , few houses, open space**
- **EMC2- 112 ha, residential, open space, woods**
- **EMC4- 44 ha, residential, open space, soil mining, woods**

Mobile Home Park (EMC4)



Soil Mining (EMC4)



Commercial (EMC1)



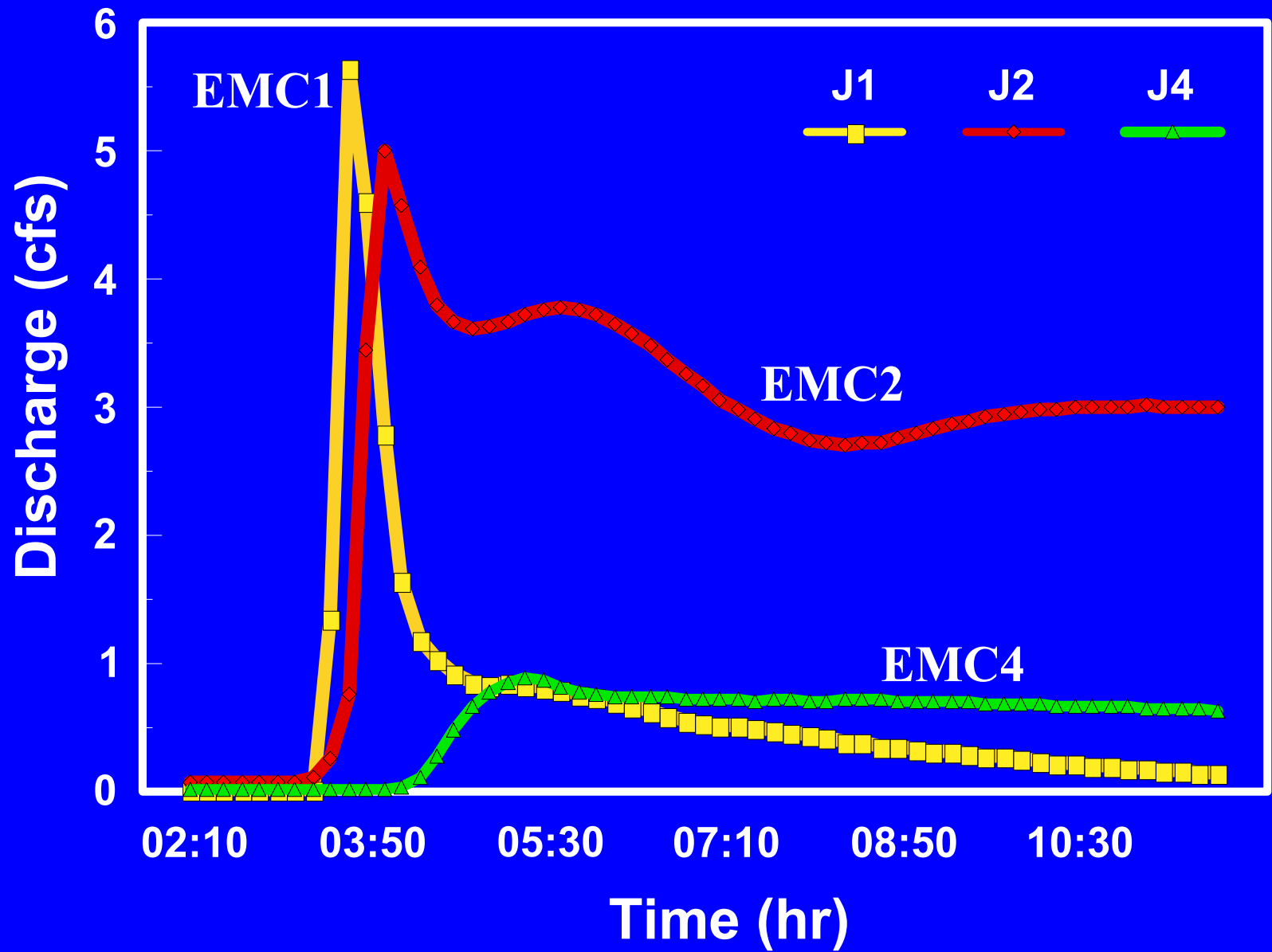
Residential (EMC2)



On-site septic systems
Pets

Jumping Run Creek (EMC2)





MONITORING SCHEME

- **Discharge and rainfall**
- **Nonstorm grab (NO₃, NH₃, PO₄, TSS, FC)**
- **Flow-proportional storm composite (NO₃, NH₃, PO₄, TSS, FC)**

QA/QC

- **Sampler Blank- 23 & <2 mpn/100 ml**
- **Duplicate Sample- both 330 mpn/100 ml**

STORM SAMPLES

	Turb	TSS	NH4	NO3	PO4	FC ^a
	ntu	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mpn/100 ml
EMC1	8	21	0.04	0.05	0.05	1271
EMC2	7	77	0.05	0.05	0.02	1152
EMC4	11	58	0.12	0.07	0.02	593

^a Geometric mean

Note: 71-96 storms between 9/99 and 2/04

EXPORT (9/99-2/04)

	Q	TSS	NH4	NO3	PO4	FC
	mm/yr	----- kg/ha-yr -----				Mill mpn/ha-yr
EMC1	531	70	0.29	0.42	0.25	76,900
EMC2	836	259	0.39	0.57	0.19	193,300
EMC4	1165	235	1.42	0.67	0.25	118,900

STORM LOAD'S % of TOTAL

	Q	TSS	NH4	NO3	PO4	FC
	%	%	%	%	%	%
EMC1	63	84	43	27	72	90
EMC2	45	58	38	29	51	73
EMC4	38	82	52	35	45	38

SEASONAL LOAD

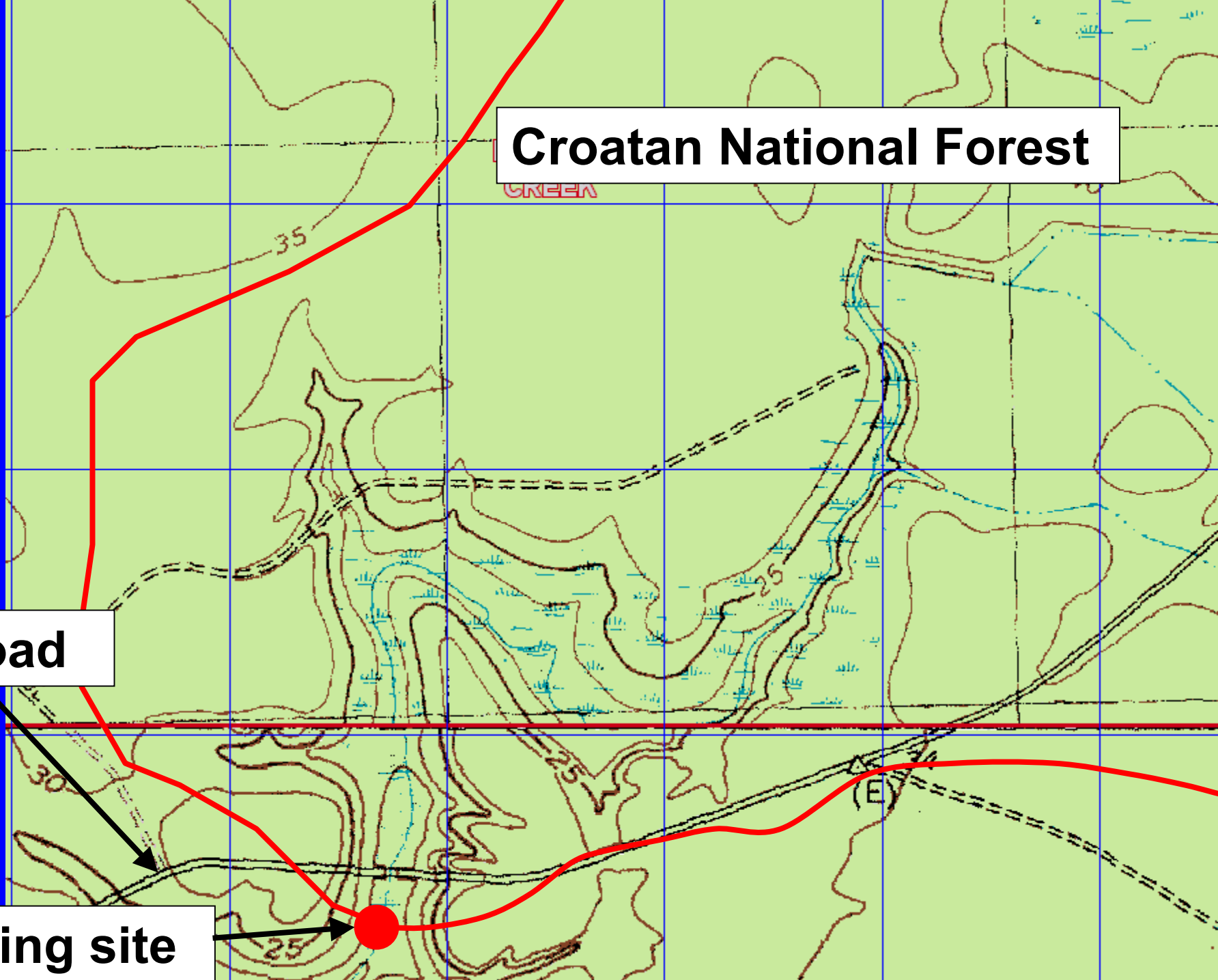
	Q	TSS	NH4	NO3	PO4	FC
	m ³ /wk	kg/wk	----- g/week		-----	Mill mpn/ha-wk
EMC1	4,450	131	263	251	108	15,340
Mar-Nov	8,380	78	435	710	425	139,460
EMC2	14,790	382	843	641	279	53,600
Mar-Nov	30,470	942	1350	2,243	706	896,670
EMC4	5,770	70	1125	337	91	11,610
Mar-Nov	18,140	635	3600	1803	694	374,600

Pettiford Creek

Croatan National Forest

Public road

Monitoring site







PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

- **Hydrology**
 - Relatively little surface runoff
 - High water table, swampy
- **Drainage**
 - Ditched, not extensively (forest operations)
- **Topography**
 - Flat (slopes $<1\%$)

STORM SAMPLES

	Turb	TSS	NH4	NO3	PO4	FC
	ntu	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mpn/100 ml
PC	1.5	4	0.05	0.01	0.04	191^a
EMC2	7	77	0.05	0.05	0.02	1152^a

^a Geometric mean of 38 and 73 samples

PC EXPORT (10/02-2/04)

	Q	TSS	NH4	NO3	PO4	FC
	mm/yr	----- kg/ha-yr -----				Mill mpn/ha-yr
PC	653	9	0.17	0.03	0.26	18,100
EMC2	836	259	0.39	0.57	0.19	193,300

Seasonal Loads at PC

	Q	TSS	NH4	NO3	PO4	FC
	m ³ /wk	kg/wk	----- g/wk -----			mill mpn/wk
PC	127900	58	2743	297	5330	81,070
Mar-Nov	149100	262	4253	856	5720	575,700
EMC2	14,790	382	843	641	279	53,600
Mar-Nov	30,470	942	1350	2,243	706	896,670

Open Grounds Farm Ditch

Neuse River Estuary

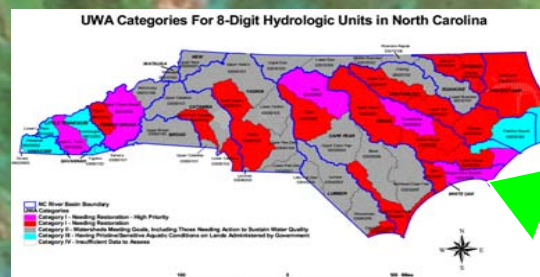
South River

Monitoring site



Open Grounds Farm

North River
Farms







PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

- **Hydrology**
 - Permeable soils relatively little surface runoff
 - Soil/Crop effects
- **Drainage**
 - Ditched extensively, controlled drainage
- **Topography**
 - Flat (slopes <1%)

STORM SAMPLES

	Turb	TSS	NH4	NO3	PO4	FC^a
	ntu	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mpn/100 ml
OPG	12	44	0.09	0.29	0.28	784
PC	1.5	4	0.05	0.01	0.04	191
EMC2	7	77	0.05	0.05	0.02	1152

^a Geometric mean

EXPORT

	Q	TSS	NH4	NO3	PO4	FC
	mm/yr	----- kg/ha-yr -----				Mill mpn/ha-yr
OPG	536	231	0.24	1.41	1.09	33,314
PC	653	9	0.17	0.03	0.26	18,100
EMC2	836	259	0.39	0.57	0.19	193,300

STORM %

Site	Q	TSS	NH4	NO3	PO4	FC
	%	%	%	%	%	%
OPG	80	84	95	72	81	79
PC	25	49	45	32	22	66
EMC2	45	58	38	29	51	73

Seasonal Loads

	Q	TSS		NO3	PO4	FC
	m3/wk	----- g/week -----				Mill mpn/wk
OPG	28,300	1400		7959	5780	187,500
Mar-Nov	26,000	1070		6714	5270	158,700
PC	127,900	58		297	5330	81,070
Mar-Nov	149,100	262		856	5720	575,700
EMC2	14,790	382		641	279	53,600
Mar-Nov	30,470	942		2,243	706	896,670

SUMMARY

Bacteria Sources

- **Low Dens Residential > Cropland > Forest**

Storm vs Nonstorm

- **Most (>66%) FC moves during storm events**

Seasonal Effect

- **Export greater during Mar-Nov for PC & EMC2, but not OPG**

Future Work

- **Swine Waste Application on Cattle Pasture**
- **Bacteria Source Tracking testing at all sites**

