

Supplementary Files

Table S1. Potable source-water reservoirs (primary or reserve) omitted from consideration due to failure to meet data requirements, reservoir age, or artificial mixing. In addition, reservoirs with surface area ≥ 500 ha at conservation pool were considered except that smaller reservoirs were included if the estimated population served is $\geq 50,000$. Data sources other than/in addition to those identified in the Study Area section are indicated; other information is compiled from local and state governments. This list presents examples and is not meant to include all drinking source-water reservoirs in the region.

Reservoir - surface area; population served with potable water; river system	Water quality data available from public repositories (2010-2020)	Notes
Joe Pool, TX 3,132 ha; 37,000 people; <i>Trinity River</i>	June 2019 – April 2020 only (TX CEQ SWQMP).	Eutrophic. Hydrilla infestation.
Lake Houston, TX 3,023 ha; > 2 million people; <i>San Jacinto River</i>	2010-2019 (Texas Commission on Environmental Quality [TX CEQ] Surface Water Quality Monitoring Program [SWQMP]). Few DO profiles; insufficient data for some key parameters ($n < 70$).	Eutrophic. Some evidence of hypoxia in June and September 2016, and June 2017. Large cyanobacteria blooms, taste-and-odor problems.
Lake Ray Hubbard, TX 8,498 ha; > 1 million - major potable supply for Dallas; <i>Sabine River</i>	2010, 2012-2020 (TX CEQ SWQMP), but insufficient data for chl a .	Eutrophic. Algal blooms; hydrilla infestation.
Big Creek Lake (J.B. Converse Reservoir), AL 1,457 ha; Mobile, 185,000 people; <i>Escatawpa River</i>	2011, 2014, 2017; insufficient data for chl a and nutrients.	Mesotrophic. Rapidly urbanizing watershed; high sediment loading; PFAs; chl a standard 11 μg L^{-1}). DO was $< 2 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$ in 2/3 of the water column (WC, mid-region) during June – August 2017; ~half of the upper region WC was so affected in July.
Inland Lake, AL 630 ha; Birmingham reserve, ~100,000 people; <i>Black Warrior River</i>	2011, 2012, 2017; insufficient data for some key parameters.	Mesotrophic. Deep, clear, mean depth 23 m.
Lake Tuscaloosa, AL 2,382 ha; Tuscaloosa - ~101,000 people; <i>North River (Black River)</i>	2011, 2012, 2017; insufficient chl a data.	Mesotrophic.
Lake Mitchell, AL 2,367 ha; ~14,000 people, City of Clanton; <i>Coosa River</i>	2010, 2013, 2015 (few), 2016, 2019; insufficient data for some key parameters.	Eutrophic. Algal blooms. Adversely affected by urban runoff and storm sewers.

Weiss Lake, AL/GA 12,222 ha; ~180,000 people; <i>Coosa River</i>	2010, 2013, 2016, 2019; insufficient data for NO _x , so TN could not be calculated.	Eutrophic. “Crappie capital of the world”, but fish consumption advisory due to PCBs; also a PFAS problem.
Bear Creek Reservoir, GA 204 ha; 4 counties including Athens, with ~350,000 people; <i>Middle Oconee River</i>	2017-2020; fish mercury data only in public repositories—data n.a. for some key parameters.	Eutrophic. Filled in 2002. Cyanobacteria blooms common.
Lake McIntosh, Still Branch Reservoir, and Tussahaw Reservoir, GA 263-593 ha; > 50,000 people each; <i>Flint River, Ocmulgee River</i>	Water quality data n.a. Filled in 2012, 2005, and 2007, respectively.	Still Branch and Tussahaw - vacuolar myelinopathy confirmed (likely related to toxic cyanobacterial epiphyte <i>Aetokthonos hydrillicola</i> [258]. Eutrophic. Surface/ near-surface hypoxia at 1 or more stations: CWS-7,-6,-5 – total WC (23 July); also at CWS-6: total WC 6 November, 26 March, 23 April morning (~2 mg DO L ⁻¹ just below the surface) and afternoon [218]. Cyanobacteria can cause taste-and-odor problems.
Bushy Park (Back-River) Reservoir, SC 324 ha; Charleston, etc., ~450,000 people; <i>Back River</i> , also <i>Cooper River</i> via the Durham Canal)	1.5 yr of water quality data (September 2013 – April 2015) [218].	Eutrophic. Cyanobacteria blooms; invasive macrophytes (hydrilla, water hyacinth, water lettuce <i>Pistia stratiotes</i> , water primrose <i>Ludwigia uruguayensis</i> , etc.).
Goose Creek Reservoir, SC 243 ha; reserve for Charleston; <i>Cooper River</i>	2010-2019 (SCDHEC), but no DO profiles, and data for key parameters uneven across years.	Eutrophic. Extended periods of oxygen depletion previously reported below the thermocline. Massive high-biomass algal blooms.
Lake Greenwood, SC 4,613 ha; > 100,000 people; <i>Saluda River</i>	2010, 2012-2016; insufficient data for chl _a , no DO depth profiles	Eutrophic. Algal blooms can cause taste-and-odor problems; harmful cyanobacteria blooms since 2013; hydrilla and aetokthonotoxin confirmed [133].
Lake Hartwell, SC 22,662 ha; ~230,000 people; <i>Savannah, Tugaloo, Seneca Rivers</i>	2010-2020; no DO profiles	Eutrophic. Algal blooms can cause taste-and-odor problems; harmful cyanobacteria blooms since 2013; hydrilla and aetokthonotoxin confirmed [133].

Lake Keowee, SC 7,487 ha; Greenville, 72,100 people; <i>Keowee River</i>	2010, 2012-2016; insufficient data for chl _a , no DO depth profiles	Eutrophic. Much of the shoreline is heavily impacted by development.
Lake Marion, SC 44,515 ha; ~125,000 people served/planned; <i>Santee River</i>	2010-2020 - but DO depth profiles and chl _a data n.a.	Eutrophic throughout, although TSIs are higher in headwaters than near dam. Evidence of hypoxia. Invasive salvinia, hydrilla, water hyacinth.
Lake Moultrie, SC 24,443 ha; 40,000 people; <i>Santee-Cooper River</i>	2010, 2011, 2016; some parameters in 2017, 2018. But DO depth profiles and chl _a data n.a.	Eutrophic. Extensive hypoxia; major algal blooms, invasive macrophytes (e.g., hydrilla) treated with herbicides.
Lake Murray, SC 19,425 ha; Columbia etc., ~300,000 people; <i>Saluda River</i>	2010-2017, 2019, 2020 (SCDHEC); but DO depth profiles n.a., and key parameters uneven across years.	Eutrophic. Evidence of hypoxia. Cyanobacteria can cause taste-and-odor problems; vacuolar myelinopathy confirmed (likely related to toxic cyanobacterial epiphyte <i>Aetokthonos hydrillicola</i>) [133].
Lake Wylie (Wateree), SC 5,423 ha; ~89,000 people; <i>Catawba River</i>	2010-2020, but only 2 yr of DO depth profiles (2019 with surface/near surface hypoxia, and 2020) [219,259]	Eutrophic. 2019 - at site CL089 (near dam), DO was < 2.5 mg L ⁻¹ for 2 weeks (September 26 –October 10) within 1.1 m of the surface, also < 2.5 mg L ⁻¹ at the surface for ~4 days in mid-October (total depth ~17 m). Major planktonic and benthic harmful cyanobacteria blooms; invasive hydrilla.
City Lake (Arnold Koonce City Lake), NC 219 ha; City of High Point, most water for 114,100 people; <i>Deep River (Cape Fear)</i>	2010-2020; but artificially aerated hypolimnion.	Eutrophic. Algal blooms can cause taste-and-odor problems.
Lake Randleman, NC 1,204 ha; Greensboro etc., 298,300 people; <i>Deep River (Cape Fear)</i>	2011, 2013, 2015, 2018; but filled in 2004.	Eutrophic. PFAS; 1,4-dioxane. Sewage discharges to the reservoir (e.g., from the City of High Point).

Mountain Island Lake, NC 1,327 ha; Charlotte etc., etc., > 1 million people; <i>Catawba River</i>	2010-2020; no DO profiles.	Eutrophic. Coal ash contamination (high arsenic).
W. Kerr Scott Lake, NC 597 ha; Wilkesboro etc., ~60,000 people; <i>Yadkin River</i>	2014, 2019; insufficient data for chl a and nutrients; no DO depth profiles.	Mesotrophic to eutrophic; chl a can exceed the state standard of 40 $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$.
Oak Hollow Lake, NC 328 ha; Backup for the City of High Point; <i>Deep River</i> (<i>Cape Fear</i>)	2010-2020; but artificially aerated hypolimnion.	Eutrophic. Algal blooms can cause taste-and-odor problems.
Lake Benson, NC 263 ha; ~34,000 people; Garner, secondary supply for Raleigh; <i>Neuse River</i>	2010, 2015 only (City of Raleigh).	Eutrophic. <i>Microseira</i> (<i>Lyngbya</i>) <i>wollei</i> and mild to severe summer cyanobacteria blooms.

Table S2. The years, sites, frequency, depth, and number of samples (*n*) analyzed for environmental and water quality parameters in each reservoir (summers, 2010-2020; n.a., not available; temp., temperature; satn., saturation).

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Guntersville	2013, 2015, 2018; surface; 11 sites (GUNM-1 to GUNM-10) except DO depth profiles (upper GUNM-1, lower GUNM-10); monthly	891	125	882	125	125	125	125	125	125	125	n.a.	125
Neely Henry	2010, 2013, 2016, 2019; surface (≤ 3.8 m); 14 sites (NEES-1, NEES-2B, NEES-3, NEES-5-11, NEES-6A, NEES 16-18) except DO depth profiles (upper NEES-2B, middle NEES-3, lower NEES-1); monthly	615	133	598	123	126	126	126	131	127	122- 126	n.a.	130
Lay	2010, 2013, 2016, 2019; sur-face; 11 sites (LAYC-1 to -3, LAYC-6-12, LAYC-18) except DO depth profiles (upper LAYC-2, middle LAYC-3, lower LAYC-1); and except 2018 (all parameters except DO, 1 site, LAYC-1; DO as above); monthly	809	131	825	130	98	101	98	129	88-89	89- 99	n.a.	130

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Lanier	2010-2020; surface (< 1 m or PZ < 4 m); 10 sites (3913, 3995, 3998, 4001, 4005, 4007, 4010, 4012, 4019, 4028) except DO depth profiles (upper 3913, middle 4001, lower 4028); monthly	1496–1504	390	764	409	409	409	409	409	409	409	409	410
Norman ^a	2010-2020; surface or PZ (twice Secchi, ≤ 4.6 m); 15 sites (1.0, 2.0, 5.0, 7.5, 8.0, 9.5, 11.0, 11.5, 12.5, 13.0, 15.0, 15.9, 62.0, 69.0, MRSVINT) except DO depth profiles (upper 15.9, middle 11.0, lower 1.0); once per summer except Secchi monthly	4488–4541	394	4524	n.a.	117	126	117	117	118–135	119–126	n.a.	111
Jordan ^a	2010-2019; PZ (≤ 4 m); 20 sites (86CUPS, MC01-03, 86C, 81A1B, 81A1C, 86F, 87B3, 87D, 880A, 55C, 55C1-6, 55D, 55E) except DO depth profiles (upper 86F, middle 87D, lower 55E); TOC 2017 only; biweekly through 6/16, then monthly except bimonthly in 2018	2563	n.a.	n.a.	111	806	817	806	817	693	682–806	11	823

Falls	2010-2020; ≤ 1 m or PZ; 13 sites (FL 1-6, FLIN_1, FLINC, FL50_1, FL50C, FL85_1, FL85C, LC1) except DO depth profiles (upper FL85, middle FL50, lower FLIN); monthly	2960	366	2922	794	792	794	791	793	793– 795	793	794	794
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^a Norman DO sampling varied by site, from once per summer to twice weekly during summers, and the sampling frequency decreased especially in the last 3 yr. Jordan DO data were collected biweekly in summers of 2010, 2011, 2012, and 2014.

^b Violations of state chl a standards were assessed as follows: Eagle Mountain (all stations), $> 26.7 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$; Cedar Creek (stations 16748 and 16749, $> 23.47 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$) [89,260]. Chl a standards for AL waters included Guntersville (station GUNM-10, $> 18 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$), R.L. Harris (stations RLHR-1, RLHR-2, and RLHR-3, $> 10 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$; station RLHR-4, $> 12 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$); Lay (stations C-1, C-2, and C-3, $> 17 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$); Neely Henry (stations 1, 2B, 3, 11, and 18, $> 17 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$); Martin (stations MARE-1, MARE-2, MARE-3, MARE-4, and MARE-5, $> 5 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$) [134]. Georgia waters included Allatoona (stations 4494 and 4556, $> 10 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$; station 4497, $> 12 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$; station 4502, $> 14 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$; station 4553, $> 15 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$); W.F. George (station 4097, $> 18 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$; station 4103, $> 15 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$); Lanier (stations 3913, 3995, and 3998, $> 10 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$; station 4001, $> 7 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$; stations 4005, 4407, 4010, 4012, and 4019, $> 6 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$; and station 4028, $> 5 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$) [47]. North Carolina waters included Norman, Jordan, and Falls ($> 40 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$) [45].