Woodmere Creek Condition Report for 2023

CAUTION

Chl-a N P DO

3 out of 4 indicators were rated as **PASS**.

All four indicators must pass for the creek to be rated as **PASS**.

Size: 1,475 acres
Location: South Sarasota County
Discharges into: Lemon Bay

For more information, please see: **Woodmere Creek Basin Master Plan (1999)**

View county-wide water quality trends »

Woodmere Creek

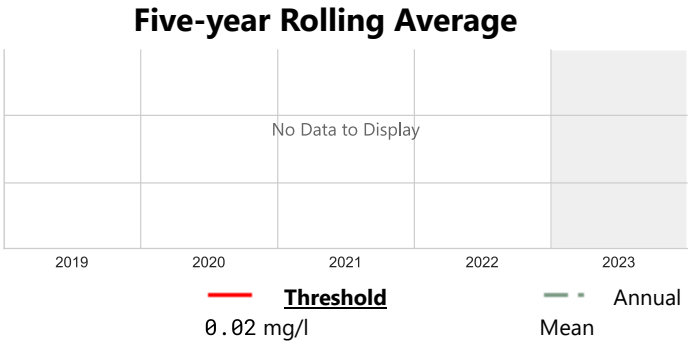


Water Chemistry Ratings | Freshwater Portion of the Creek

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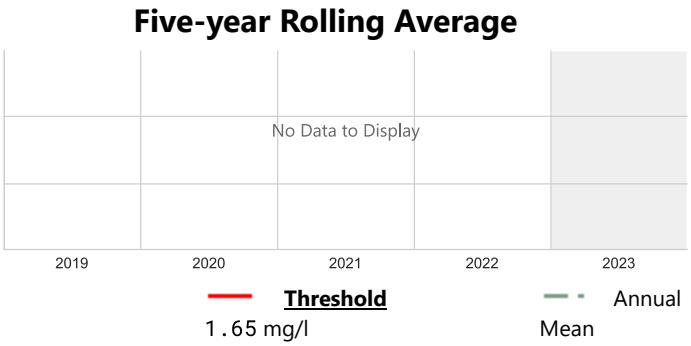
Chlorophyll a

Units: mg/l	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High		0.0429
Mean		0.0066
Low		0.0021
No. of Samples	0	24



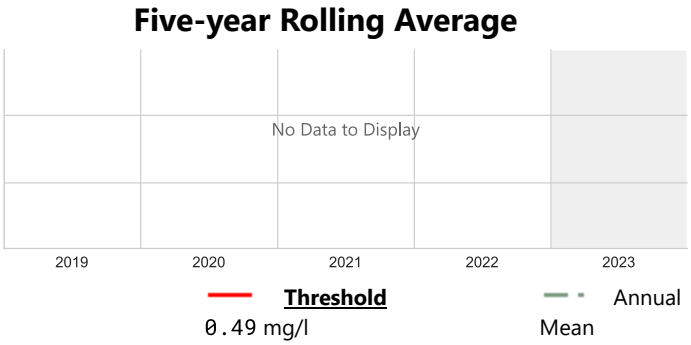
Nitrogen, Total

Units: mg/l	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High		3.599
Mean		1.456
Low		1.052
No. of Samples	0	21



Phosphorus, Total

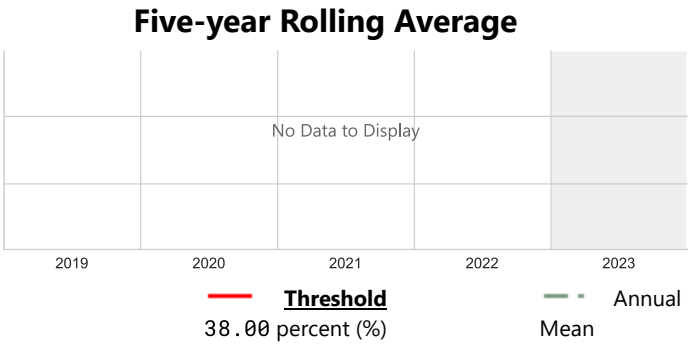
Units: mg/l	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High		1.37
Mean		0.3941
Low		0.179
No. of Samples	0	22



Dissolved Oxygen Saturation

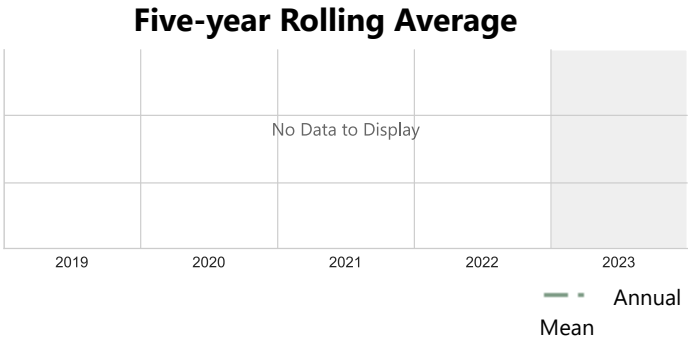
Note: Low DO saturation also may be naturally influenced by inflows from nearby wetlands or groundwater sources.

Units: percent (%)	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High		122.80
Mean		66.7
Low		9.10
No. of Samples	0	23



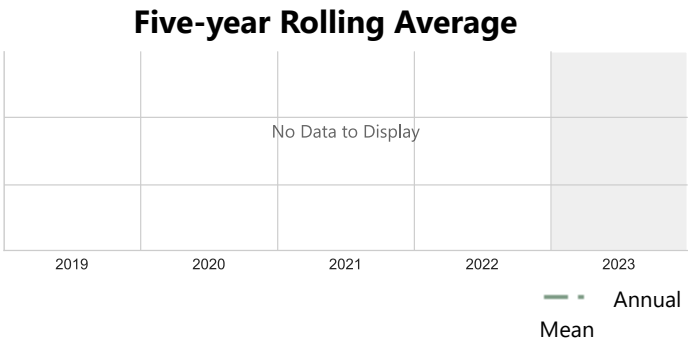
BOD, Biochemical oxygen demand

Units: mg/l	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High		6.30
Mean		1.45
Low		0.721
No. of Samples	0	22



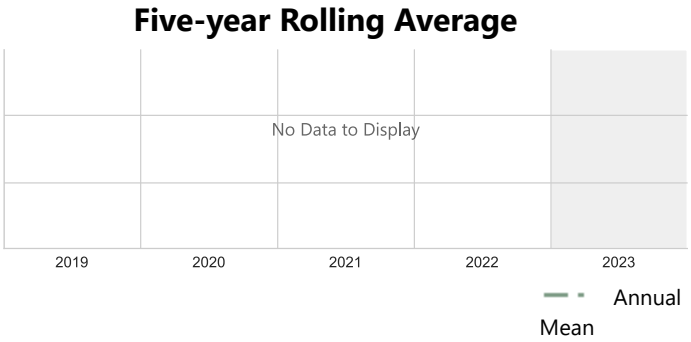
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Units: PCU	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High		180.00
Mean		96.91
Low		50.00
No. of Samples	0	24



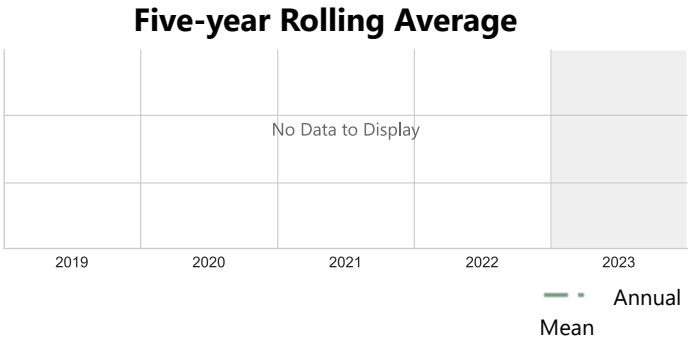
Nitrogen, Ammonia + Ammonium as N

Units: ug/l	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High		575.00
Mean		14.69
Low		0.053
No. of Samples	0	29



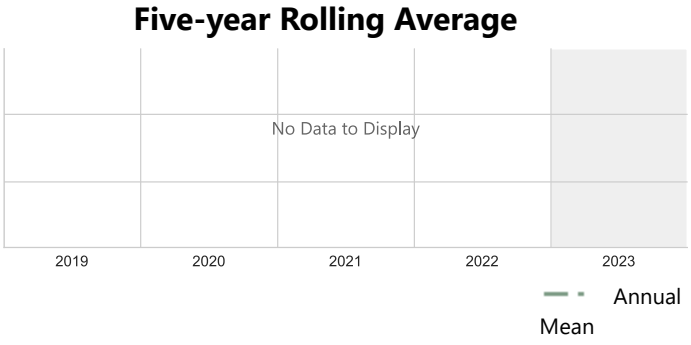
Nitrogen, Kjeldahl

Units: ug/l	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High		3530.00
Mean		1351.98
Low		1020.00
No. of Samples	0	22



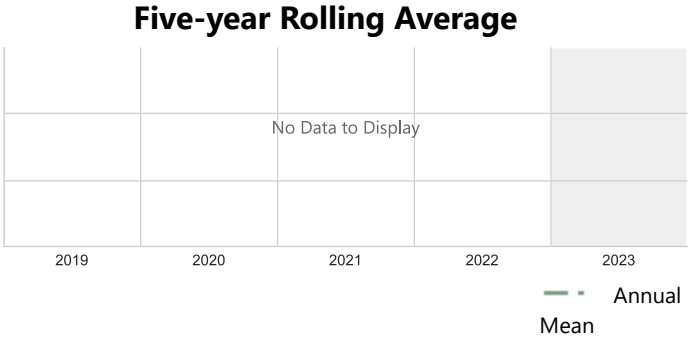
Nitrogen, Nitrite + Nitrate as N

Units: ug/l	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High		172.00
Mean		38.24
Low		4.00
No. of Samples	0	22



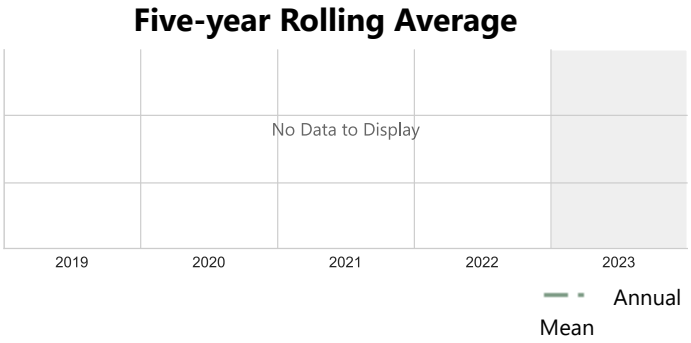
pH

Units: None	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High		7.72
Mean		7.4
Low		7.01
No. of Samples	0	27



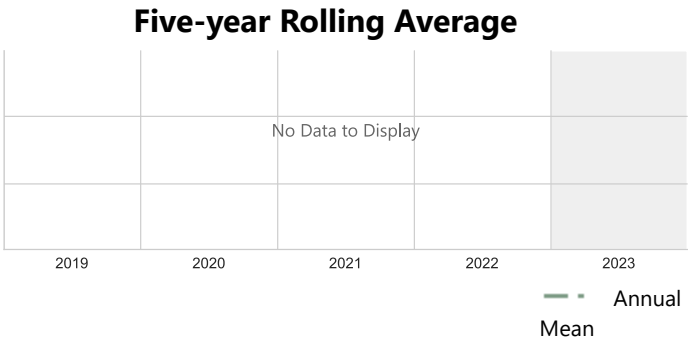
Specific conductance

Units: umho	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High		892.00
Mean		634.13
Low		376.00
No. of Samples	0	20



Temperature, water

Units: deg F	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High		89.24
Mean		75.69
Low		51.026
No. of Samples	0	22



Water Chemistry Ratings | Tidal Portion of the Creek

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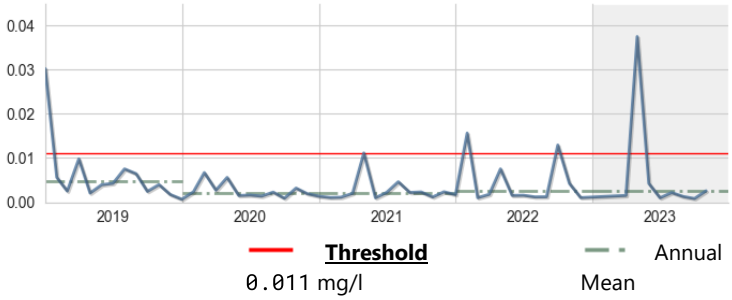
concentration of dissolved oxygen in these streams. Florida has no regulatory thresholds for nitrogen or phosphorus in tidal creeks so trends are used to rate the creeks.

Chlorophyll a

Score: Pass

Units: mg/l	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High	0.0	0.1
Mean	0.0025	0.004
Low	0.0008	0.0003
No. of Samples	8	552

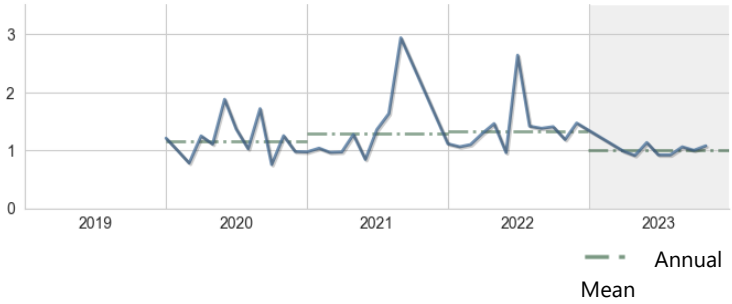
Five-year Rolling Average



Nitrogen, Total

Units: mg/l	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High	1.1	7.4
Mean	0.9965	1.3021
Low	0.909	0.437
No. of Samples	8	453

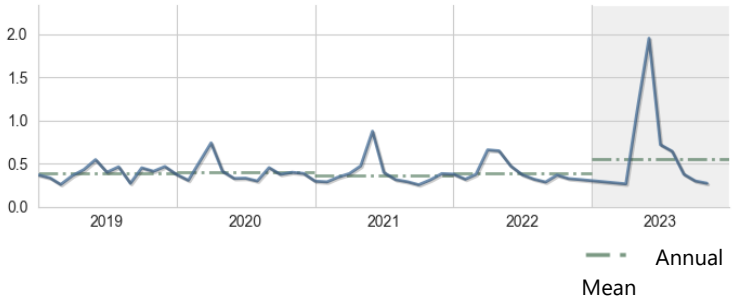
Five-year Rolling Average



Phosphorus, Total

Units: mg/l	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High	2.0	3.4
Mean	0.5462	0.542
Low	0.263	0.18
No. of Samples	8	494

Five-year Rolling Average



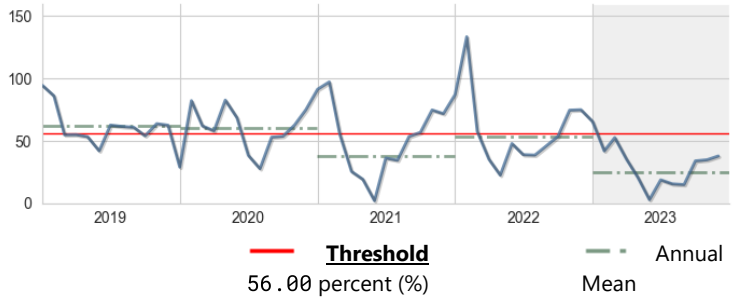
DO Dissolved Oxygen Saturation

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Score: Caution

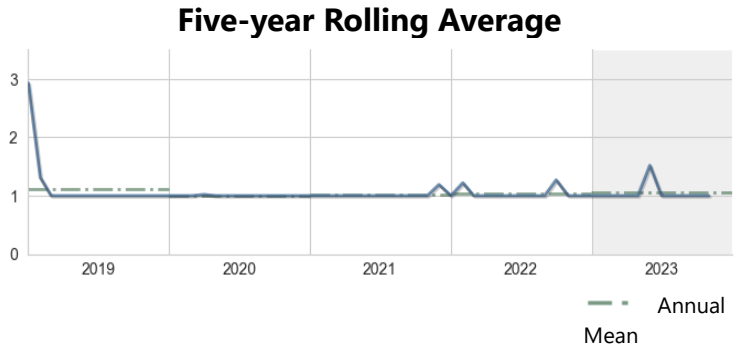
Units: percent (%)	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High	65.4	225.9
Mean	24.73	48.46
Low	2.6806	1.80
No. of Samples	12	462

Five-year Rolling Average



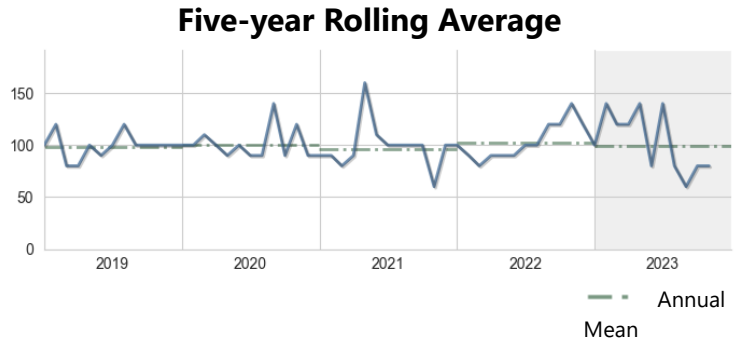
BOD, Biochemical oxygen demand

Units: mg/l	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High	1.5	19.5
Mean	1.05	1.08
Low	1.00	0.50
No. of Samples	8	481



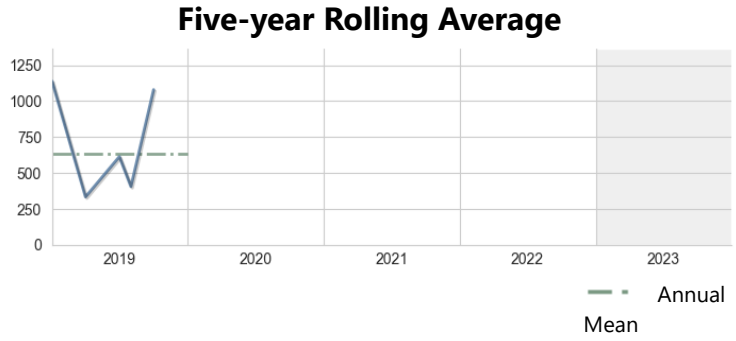
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Units: PCU	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High	140.0	400.0
Mean	99.73	96.12
Low	60.00	5.00
No. of Samples	11	559



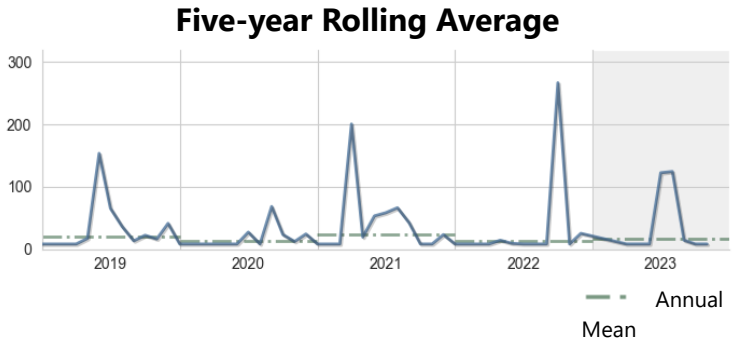
Enterococcus Group Bacteria

Units: cfu/100ml	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High		2,420.0
Mean		766.76
Low		103.00
No. of Samples	0	19



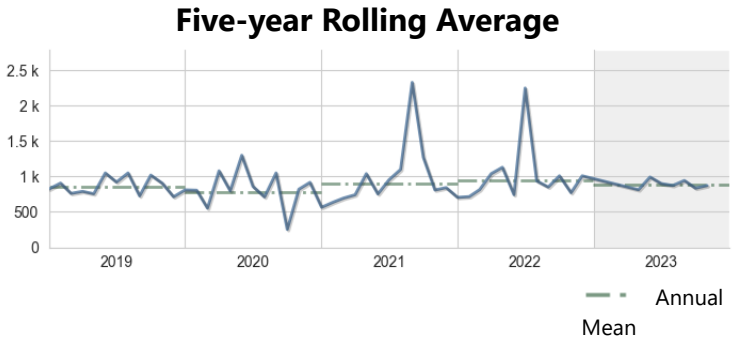
Nitrogen, Ammonia + Ammonium as N

Units: ug/l	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High	124.0	1,350.0
Mean	16.99	22.55
Low	8.00	0.008
No. of Samples	8	546



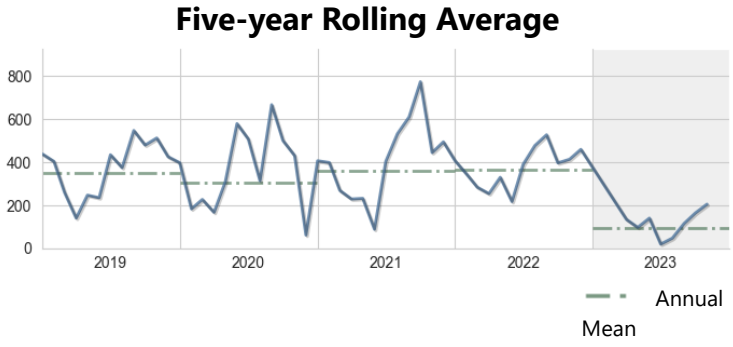
Nitrogen, Kjeldahl

Units: ug/l	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High	993.0	7,340.0
Mean	883.69	1056.24
Low	813.00	50.00
No. of Samples	8	494



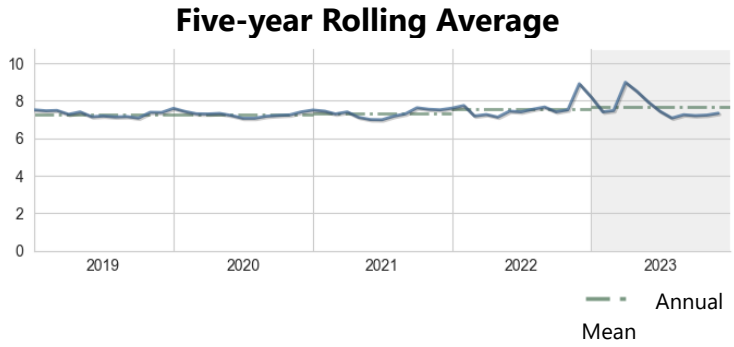
Nitrogen, Nitrite + Nitrate as N

Units: ug/l	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High	204.0	1,150.0
Mean	92.95	135.08
Low	18.00	4.00
No. of Samples	8	492



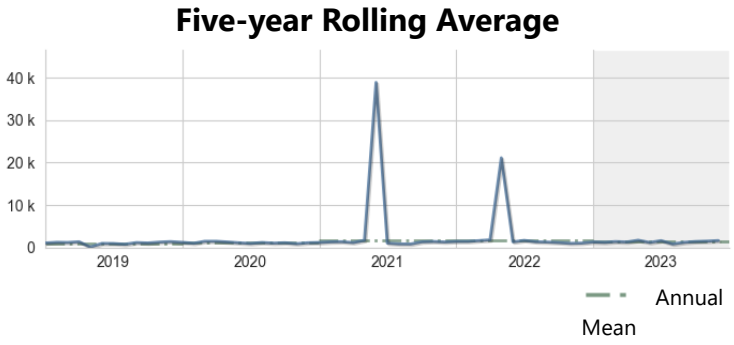
pH

Units: None	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High	9.0	9.0
Mean	7.64	7.34
Low	7.07	6.40
No. of Samples	12	559



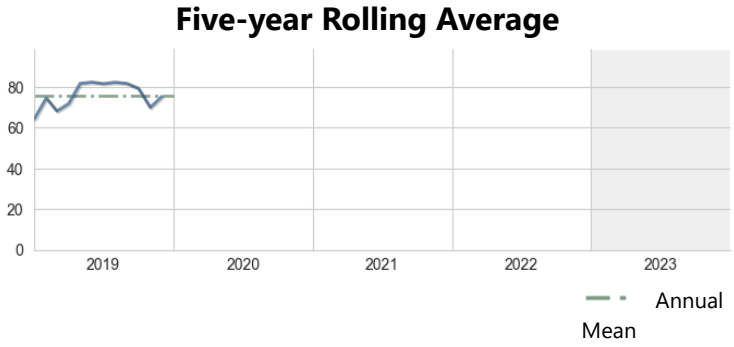
Specific conductance

Units: umho	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High	1,668.8	44,845.0
Mean	1288.64	1066.55
Low	780.407	0.882
No. of Samples	12	468



Temperature, water

Units: deg F	Year 2023	Historical period of record
High	182.4	182.4
Mean	166.07	79.84
Low	145.9676	52.052
No. of Samples	12	478

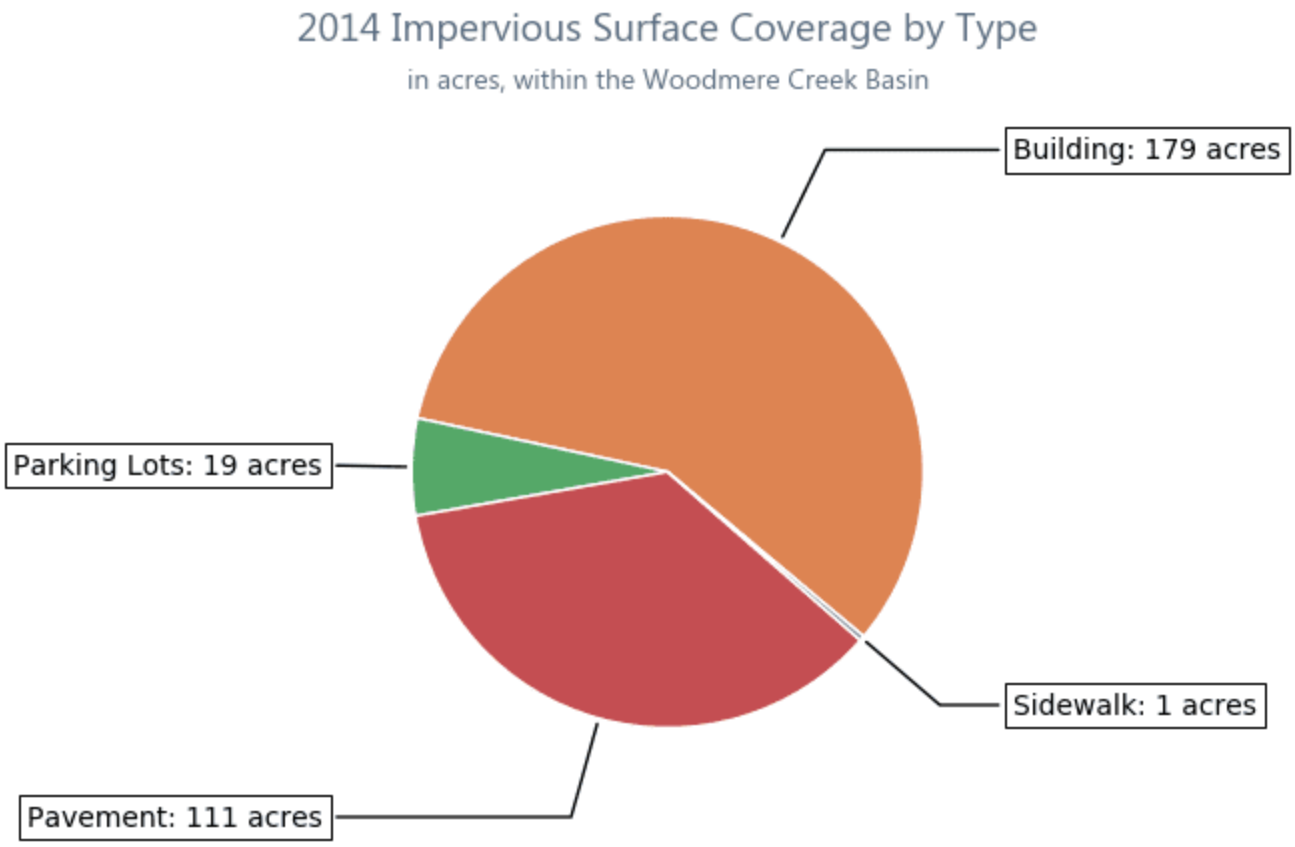


Impervious Features

Rain that falls on land that is in a natural state is absorbed and filtered by soils and vegetation as it makes it way into underground aquifers. However, in developed areas, "impervious surfaces" impede this process and contribute to polluted urban runoff entering surface waters. These surfaces include human infrastructure like roads, sidewalks, driveways and parking lots that are covered by impenetrable materials such as asphalt, concrete, brick and stone, as well as buildings and other permanent structures. Soils that have been disturbed and compacted by urban development are often impervious as well.



21% of the land area within the **Woodmere Creek Basin** is covered by impervious surfaces

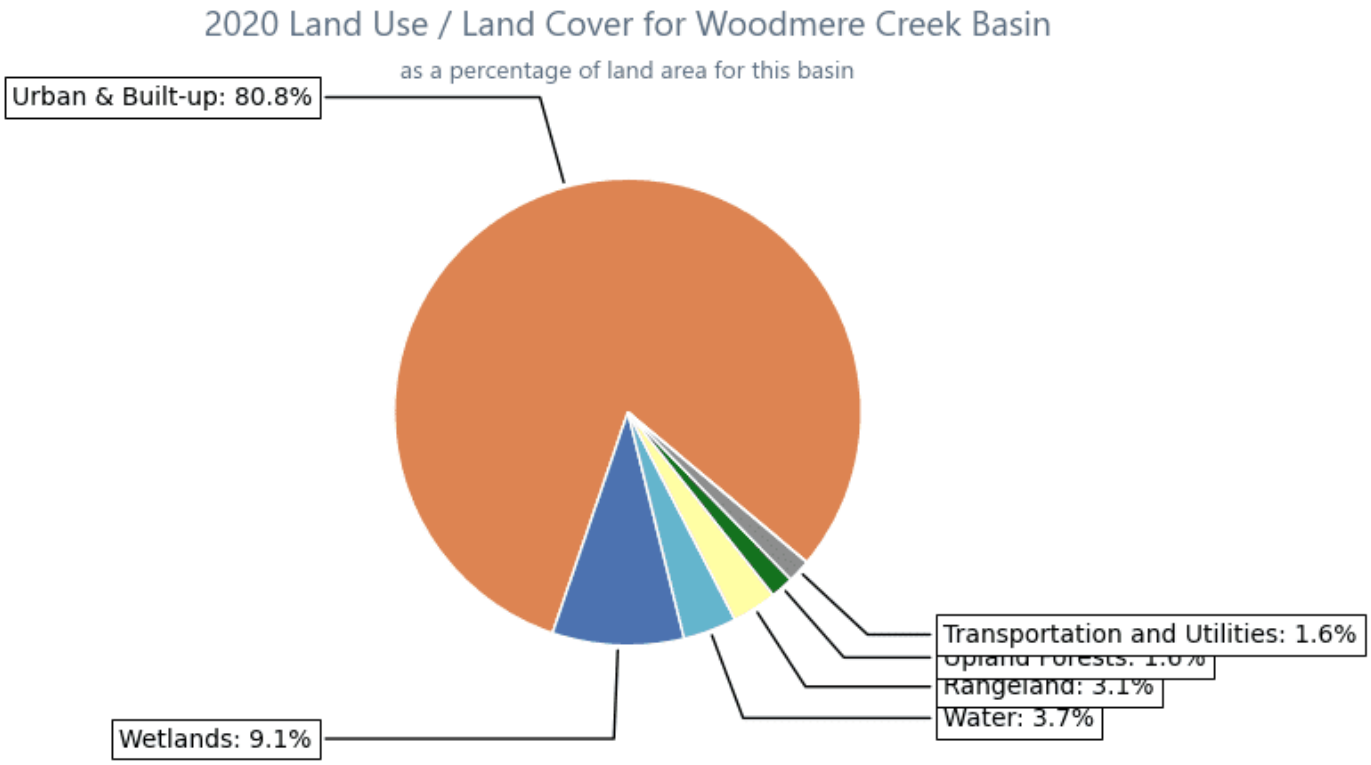


Land Use / Land Cover

Land use within a creek's watershed has a major effect on its water quality. In general, less development means better water quality. Land Cover/Land Use classifications categorize land in terms of its observed physical surface characteristics (e.g. upland or wetland), and also reflect the types of activity that are taking place on it (agriculture, urban/built-up, utilities, etc.). Florida uses as its standard a set of statewide classifications which were developed by the Florida Department of Transportation.

Acreage and Percentage within each Land Use / Land Cover Category for Woodmere Creek Basin

Land Use Classification	1990	1995	1999	2005	2011	2014	2017	2020	Trend
Urban & Built-up	986 66.8%	1,058 71.7%	1,081 73.3%	1,180 80%	1,195 81%	1,195 81%	1,192 80.8%	1,192 80.8%	
Agriculture	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	
Rangeland	62 4.2%	25 1.7%	10 0.7%	33 2.2%	46 3.1%	46 3.1%	46 3.1%	46 3.1%	
Upland Forests	207 14%	196 13.3%	183 12.4%	54 3.6%	24 1.6%	24 1.6%	24 1.6%	24 1.6%	
Water	34 2.3%	44 3%	47 3.2%	42 2.9%	52 3.5%	52 3.5%	55 3.7%	55 3.7%	
Wetlands	187 12.6%	151 10.3%	151 10.3%	143 9.7%	135 9.1%	135 9.1%	135 9.1%	135 9.1%	
Transportation and Utilities	0 0%	1 0%	2 0.2%	24 1.6%	24 1.6%	24 1.6%	24 1.6%	24 1.6%	


2020 Land Use / Land Cover for Woodmere Creek Basin
as a percentage of land area for this basin
Urban & Built-up: 80.8%
Wetlands: 9.1%
Water: 3.7%
Rangeland: 3.1%
Transportation and Utilities: 1.6%