



# Alabama Ecological Services Field Office

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# Humble Beginnings

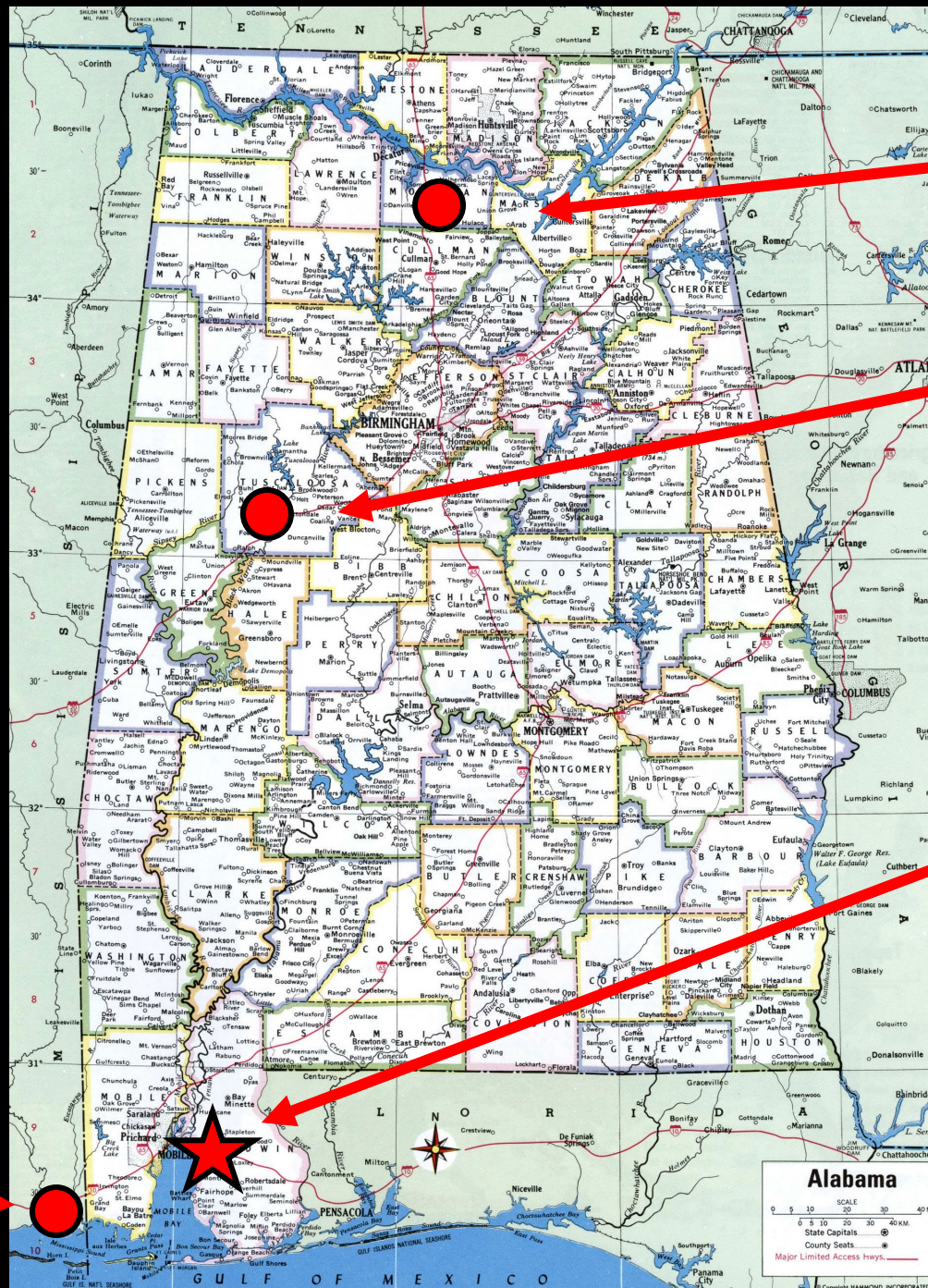
- Mobile River Basin Coalition
- Marvel Slab
- My first imperiled mussel meeting
- AABC Opening
- 2020 Alabama Water Conservationist of the Year



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**Jennifer Grunewald**

**Recovery Lead for:** Alabama cave shrimp, slenderclaw crayfish, watercress darter, vermilion darter, rush darter, slackwater darter, trispot darter, Alabama cavefish, inflated heelsplitter

**Additional Roles:** ADCNR's boat ramps, TVA permitting, irrigation projects, recovery, FERC

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**Evan Collins**

**Recovery Lead for:** spring pygmy sunfish, Black Warrior waterdog, flattened musk turtle, southern clubshell, orangenacre mucket, finelined pocket book, Canoe Creek clubshell, frecklebelly madtom, coal darter

**Additional Roles:** Herps, Section 7, irrigation projects, FERC

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**Erin Sasser (Padgett)**

**Recovery Lead for:** dark pigtoe, Alabama lampmussel, pale lilliput, slender campeloma, armored snail, rough hornsnail, tulotoma snail

**Additional Roles:** GIS, FERC-hydropower/wind energy, Section 7, pipelines

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**Brittany Barker-Jones**

**Recovery Lead for:** ovate clubshell, triangular kidneyshell, Alabama moccasinshell, southern pigtoe, Georgia pigtoe, heavy pigtoe

**Additional Roles:** GIS, Section 7, POC for Corps of Engineers projects, cell towers

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**Morgan Brizendine**

**Recovery Lead for:** Alabama sturgeon, Alabama pearlshell, lacy elimia, cylindrical lioplax, flat pebblesnail, painted rocksnail, plicate rocksnail, round rocksnail, interrupted rocksnail  
**Additional Roles:** Alabama River studies, Gulf sturgeon recovery, spill response, pesticide consultations, diver  
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**Jenna King**

**Listing Decisions:** All new SSAs - Apalachicola wild indigo, coal darter, Alabama hickorynut, black-nobbed map turtle, Alabama map turtle, Alabama rainbow, Bankhead darter, Harper's heartleaf, Eared coneflower, Manitou cavesnail, Escambia map turtle, Tuscumbia darter  
**Additional Roles:** Manatee POC for AL, herps, plants, diver  
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**Jason Ross**

**Recovery Lead for:** Red Hills salamander, Michell's satyr  
POC

**Additional Roles:** Forestry industry liaison, Section 10 Red  
Hills coordination, Sikes Act

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**Scott Lamont**

**Recovery Lead for:** Cahaba shiner, pygmy sculpin, white  
wartback

**Additional Roles:** Military bases (INRMP), coal mining,  
emerging drone research

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**Drew Rollman**

**Primary Role:** SHU road mapper lead

**Additional Roles:** Primary POC for everything related to GIS and database management in the ALFO

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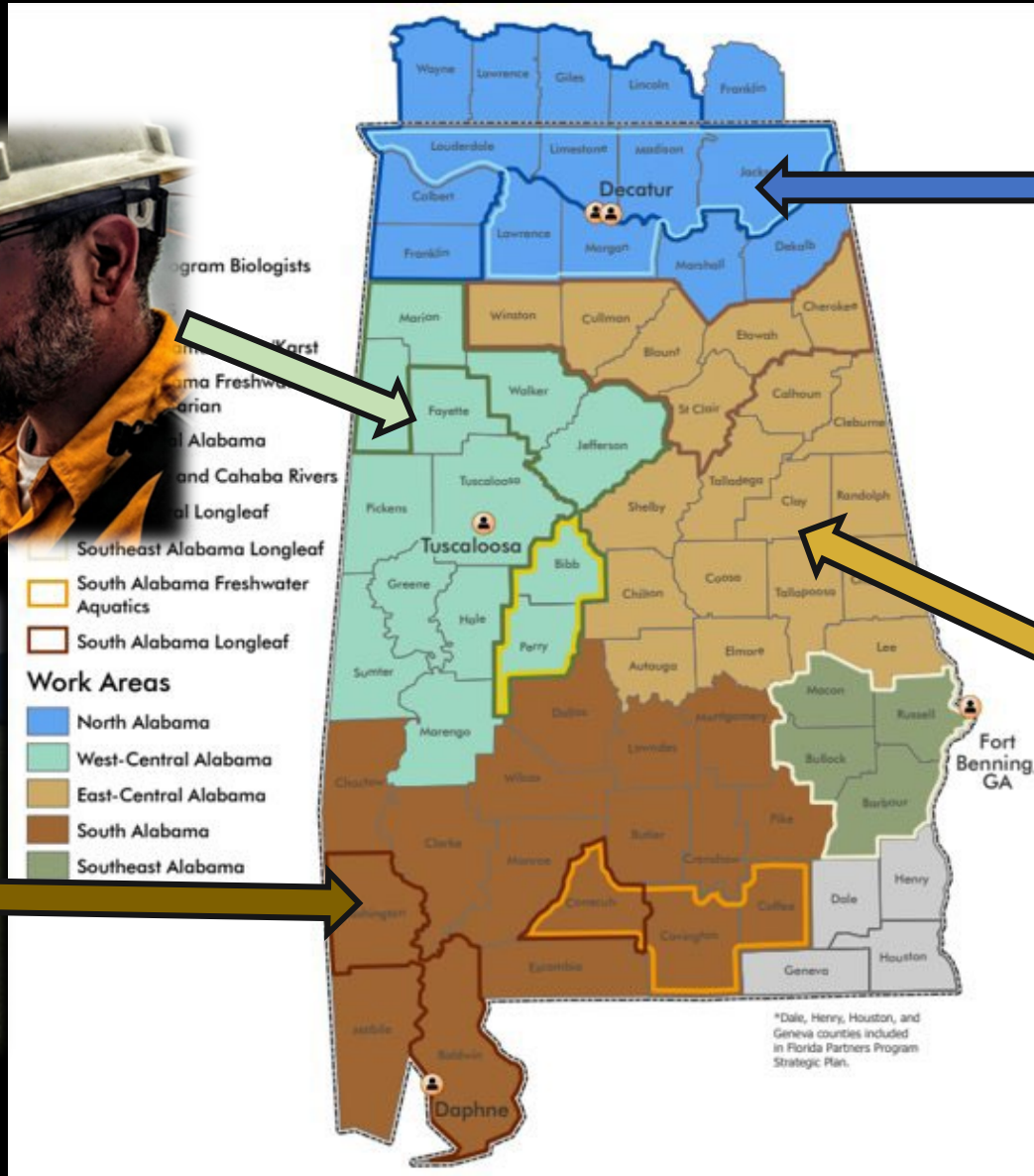
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# 2023 Notable Highlights

## Listing

- Recommended in 2022
- Upcoming SSAs in 2023
- Upcoming SSAs in 2024

## Restoration Projects

- Reintroductions
- Big Canoe/Big Wills restoration
- Paint Rock Projects
- Elba Dam (Pea River)
- Toyota/Mazda Plant

## Research

- Cahaba spring inventory
- Road crossings/connectivity



