# Lignumvitae Key Aquatic Preserve SEACAR Water Quality Analysis

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## **Indicators**

#### Nutrients

#### Total Nitrogen - Discrete

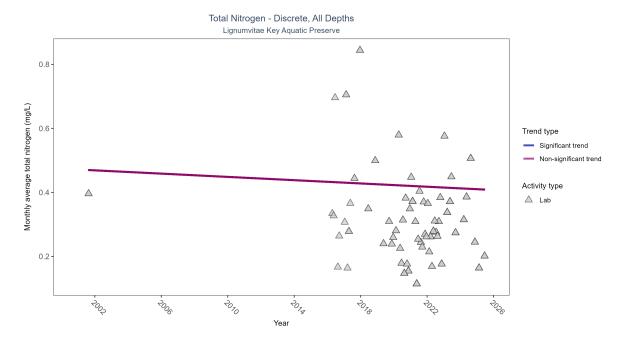


Figure 1: Scatter plot of monthly average total nitrogen over time. If the time series included ten or more years of discrete observations, a significant (blue) or non-significant (magenta) trend line is also shown. Only nitrogen values obtained from laboratory analyses (triangles) are included in the plot.

Table 1: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for - Total Nitrogen

Activity Type	Statistical Trend	Sample Count	Years with Data	Period of Record	Median Result Value	Tau	Sen Intercept	Sen Slope	P
Lab	No significant trend	204	11	2001 - 2025	0.264	0.00184	0.47154	-0.00256	0.9521

Total nitrogen showed no detectable trend between 2001 and 2025.

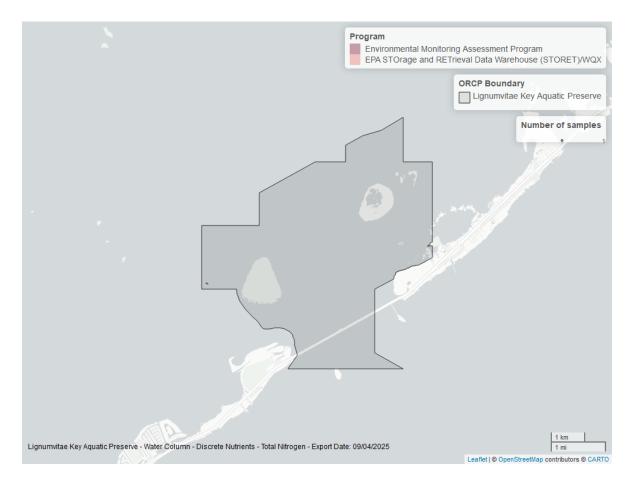


Figure 2: Map showing location of discrete water quality sampling locations within the boundaries of *Lignumvitae Key Aquatic Preserve*. The bubble size on the maps above reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

#### Total Phosphorus - Discrete

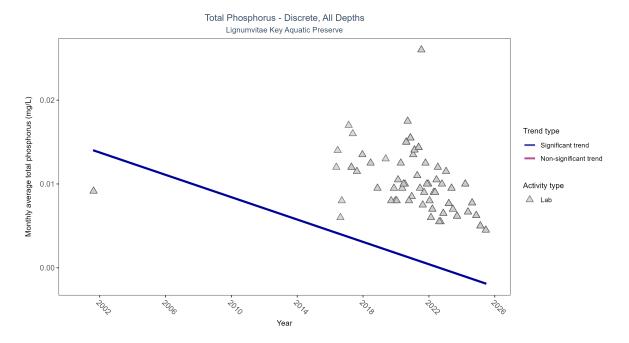


Figure 3: Scatter plot of monthly average total phosphorus over time. If the time series included ten or more years of discrete observations, a significant (blue) or non-significant (magenta) trend line is also shown. Only phosphorus values obtained from laboratory analyses (triangles) are included in the plot.

Table 2: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for - Total Phosphorus

Activity Type	Statistical Trend	Sample Count	Years with Data	Period of Record	Median Result Value	Tau	Sen Intercept	Sen Slope	P
Lab	Significantly decreasing trend	200	11	2001 - 2025	0.01	-0.26587	0.01442	-0.00067	0.0019

Monthly average total phosphorus decreased by less than  $0.01~\mathrm{mg/L}$  per year.

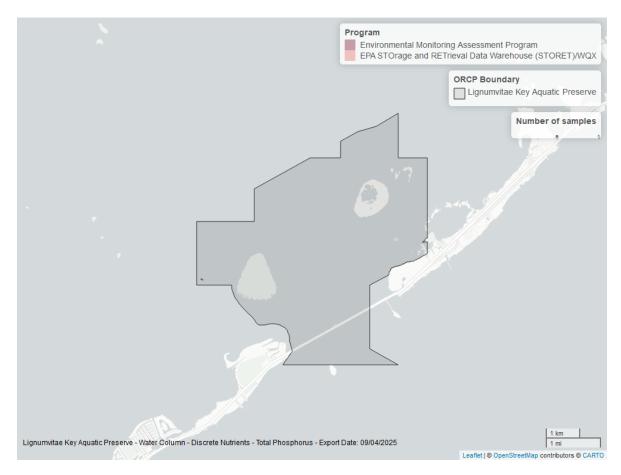


Figure 4: Map showing location of discrete water quality sampling locations within the boundaries of *Lignumvitae Key Aquatic Preserve*. The bubble size on the maps above reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

### Water Quality

#### Dissolved Oxygen - Discrete

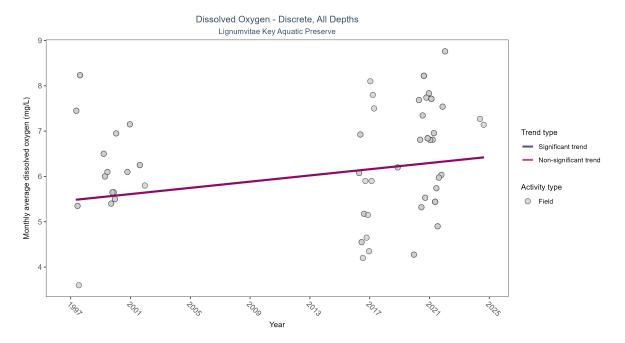


Figure 5: Scatter plot of monthly average dissolved oxygen over time. If the time series included ten or more years of discrete observations, a significant (blue) or non-significant (magenta) trend line is also shown. Only dissolved oxygen values measured in the field (circles) are included in the plot.

Table 3: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for - Dissolved Oxygen

Activity Type	Statistical Trend	Sample Count	Years with Data	Period of Record	Median Result Value	Tau	Sen Intercept	Sen Slope	P
Field	No significant trend	209	12	1997 - 2024	6.89	0.23396	5.47417	0.03425	0.2138

Dissolved oxygen showed no detectable trend between 1997 and 2024.

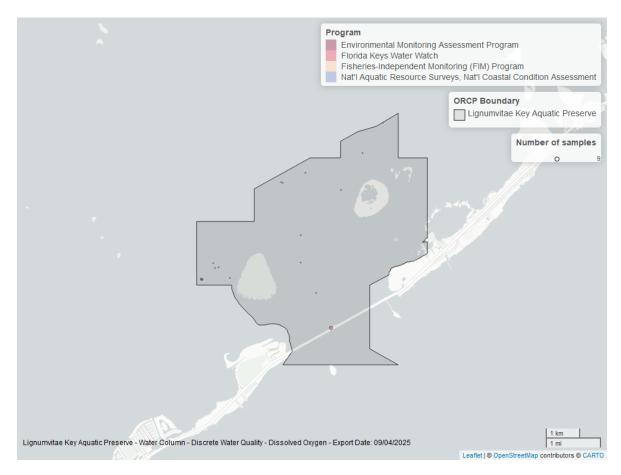


Figure 6: Map showing location of discrete water quality sampling locations within the boundaries of *Lignumvitae Key Aquatic Preserve*. The bubble size on the maps above reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

#### Dissolved Oxygen - Continuous

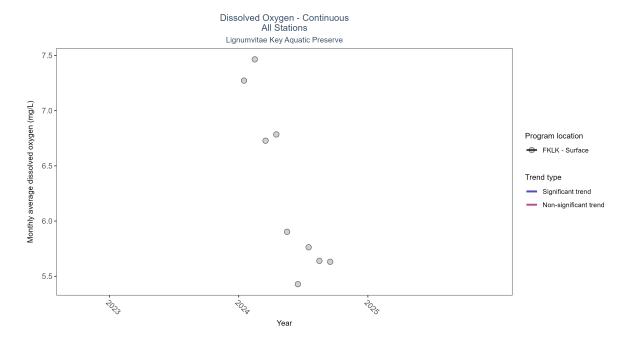


Figure 7: Scatter plot of monthly average dissolved oxygen over time at continuously monitored program locations. Each location is analyzed separately, with significant (blue) or non-significant (magenta) trend lines shown for time series that included five or more years of observations.

Table 4: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results - Dissolved Oxygen

Program Location	Statistical Trend	Sample Count	Years with Data	Period of Record	Median Result Value	Tau	Sen Intercept	Sen Slope	P
FKLK	Insufficient data to calculate trend	21525	1	2024 - 2024	6.2	-	-	-	_



Figure 8: Map showing location of dissolved oxygen continuous water quality sampling locations within the boundaries of *Lignumvitae Key Aquatic Preserve*. The bubble size on the maps above reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

#### Dissolved Oxygen Saturation - Discrete

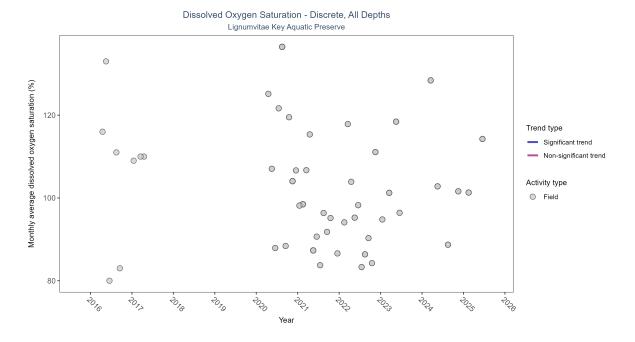


Figure 9: Scatter plot of monthly average dissolved oxygen saturation over time. If the time series included ten or more years of discrete observations, a significant (blue) or non-significant (magenta) trend line is also shown. Only dissolved oxygen saturation values measured in the field (circles) are included in the plot.

Table 5: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for - Dissolved Oxygen Saturation

Activity Type	Statistical Trend	Sample Count	Years with Data	Period of Record	Median Result Value	Tau	Sen Intercept	Sen Slope	P
Field	Insufficient data to calculate trend	222	8	2016 - 2025	101.4	-	-	-	-

There was insufficient data to fit a model for dissolved oxygen saturation.



Figure 10: Map showing location of discrete water quality sampling locations within the boundaries of *Lignumvitae Key Aquatic Preserve*. The bubble size on the maps above reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

#### Dissolved Oxygen Saturation - Continuous

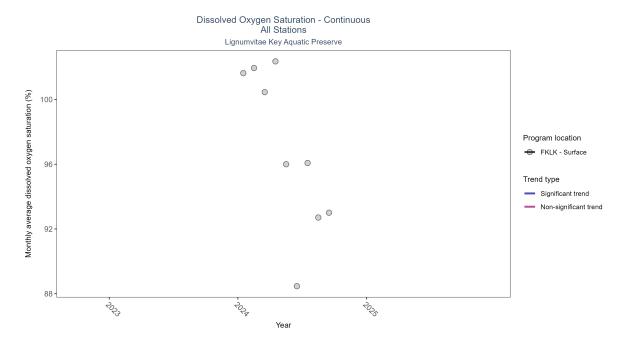


Figure 11: Scatter plot of monthly average dissolved oxygen saturation over time at continuously monitored program locations. Each location is analyzed separately, with significant (blue) or non-significant (magenta) trend lines shown for time series that included five or more years of observations.

Table 6: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results - Dissolved Oxygen Saturation

Program Location	Statistical Trend	Sample Count	Years with Data	Period of Record	Median Result Value	Tau	Sen Intercept	Sen Slope	P
FKLK	Insufficient data to calculate trend	21525	1	2024 - 2024	91.9	-	-	-	_

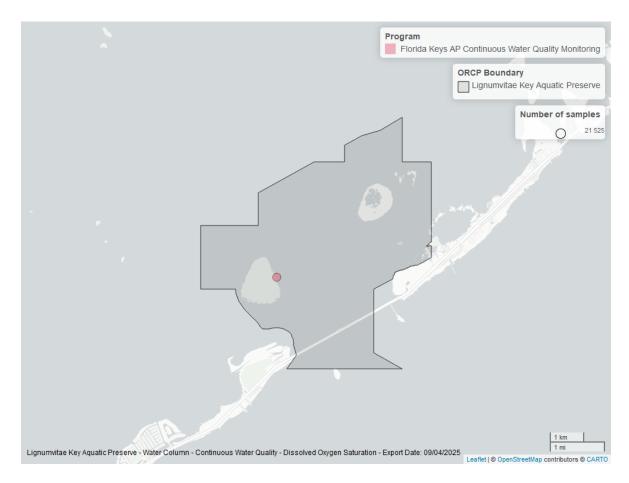


Figure 12: Map showing location of dissolved oxygen saturation continuous water quality sampling locations within the boundaries of  $Lignumvitae\ Key\ Aquatic\ Preserve$ . The bubble size on the maps above reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

#### Salinity - Discrete

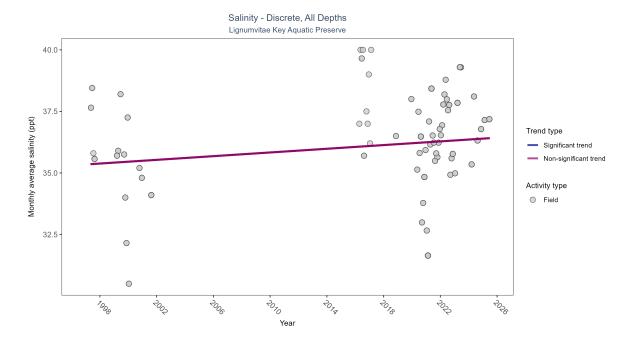


Figure 13: Scatter plot of monthly average salinity over time. If the time series included ten or more years of discrete observations, significant (blue) or non-significant (magenta) trend lines are also shown. Discrete salinity values derived from grab samples analyzed in the field (circles) or the laboratory (triangles) are both included in the plot.

Table 7: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for - Salinity

Activity Type	Statistical Trend	Sample Count	Years with Data	Period of Record	Median Result Value	Tau	Sen Intercept	Sen Slope	P
All	No significant trend	269	14	1997 - 2025	36.33	0.16443	35.34408	0.0375	0.2266

Salinity showed no detectable trend between 1997 and 2025.

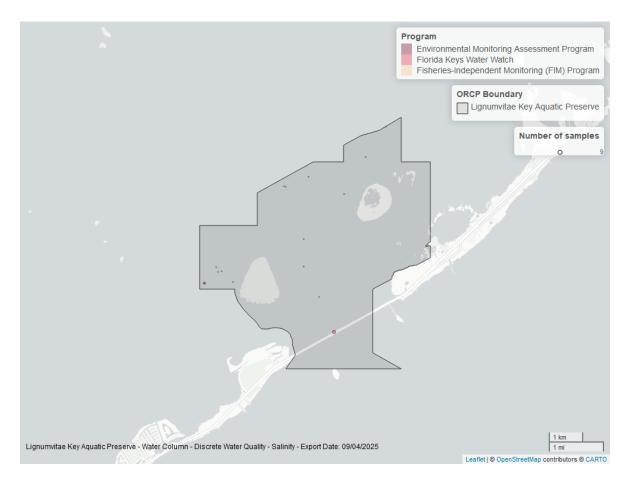


Figure 14: Map showing location of discrete water quality sampling locations within the boundaries of *Lignumvitae Key Aquatic Preserve*. The bubble size on the maps above reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

#### Salinity - Continuous

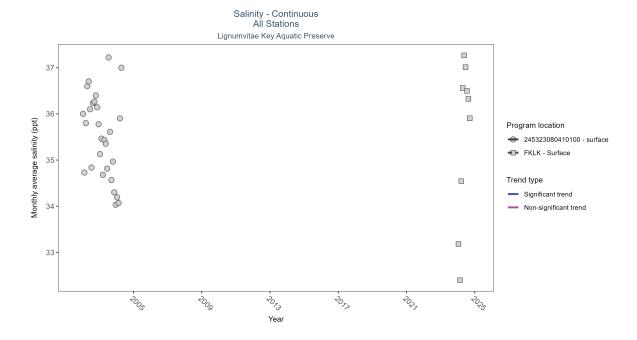


Figure 15: Scatter plot of monthly average salinity over time at continuously monitored program locations. Each location is analyzed separately, with significant (blue) or non-significant (magenta) trend lines shown for time series that included five or more years of observations.

Table 8: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results - Salinity

Program Location	Statistical Trend	Sample Count	Years with Data	Period of Record	Median Result Value	Tau	Sen Intercept	Sen Slope	P
245323080410100	Insufficient data to calculate trend	746	3	2002 - 2004	35.0	-	-	-	-
FKLK	Insufficient data to calculate trend	21517	1	2024 - 2024	36.1	-	-	-	-



Figure 16: Map showing location of salinity continuous water quality sampling locations within the boundaries of *Lignumvitae Key Aquatic Preserve*. The bubble size on the maps above reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

#### Water Temperature - Discrete

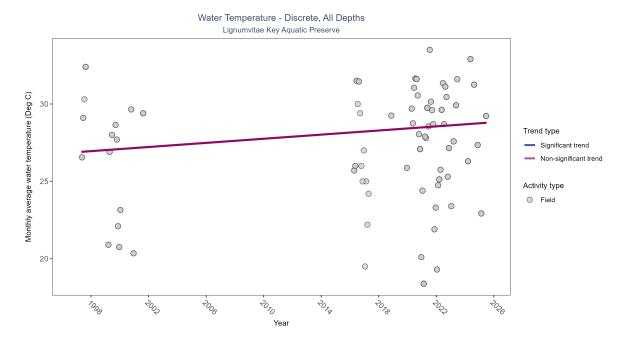


Figure 17: Scatter plot of monthly average water temperature over time. If the time series included ten or more years of discrete observations, a significant (blue) or non-significant (magenta) trend line is also shown. Only water temperature measurements taken in the field (circles) are included in the plot.

Table 9: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for - Water Temperature

Activity Type	Statistical Trend	Sample Count	Years with Data	Period of Record	Median Result Value	Tau	Sen Intercept	Sen Slope	P
Field	No significant trend	280	14	1997 - 2025	28.1	0.17434	26.88659	0.06667	0.0614

Water temperature showed no detectable trend between 1997 and 2025.

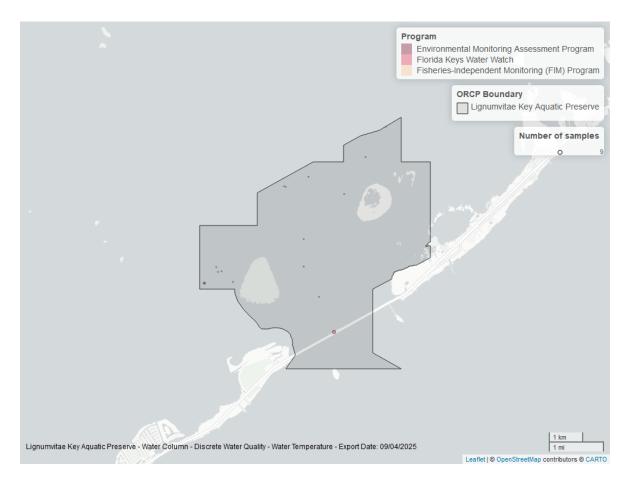


Figure 18: Map showing location of discrete water quality sampling locations within the boundaries of *Lignumvitae Key Aquatic Preserve*. The bubble size on the maps above reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

#### Water Temperature - Continuous

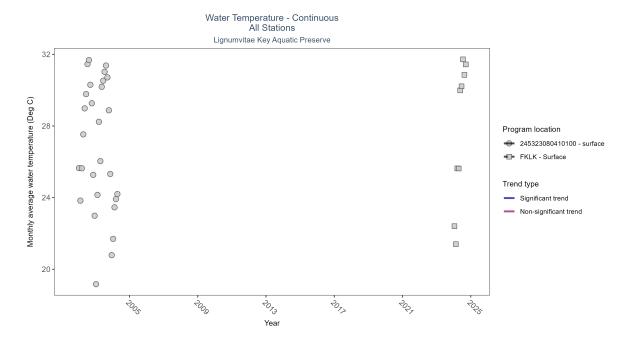


Figure 19: Scatter plot of monthly average water temperature over time at continuously monitored program locations. Each location is analyzed separately, with significant (blue) or non-significant (magenta) trend lines shown for time series that included five or more years of observations.

Table 10: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results - Water Temperature

Program Location	Statistical Trend	Sample Count	Years with Data	Period of Record	Median Result Value	Tau	Sen Intercept	Sen Slope	P
245323080410100	Insufficient data to calculate trend	791	3	2002 - 2004	27.9	-	-	-	-
FKLK	Insufficient data to calculate trend	21517	1	2024 - 2024	29.0	-	-	-	-



Figure 20: Map showing location of water temperature continuous water quality sampling locations within the boundaries of *Lignumvitae Key Aquatic Preserve*. The bubble size on the maps above reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

#### pH - Discrete

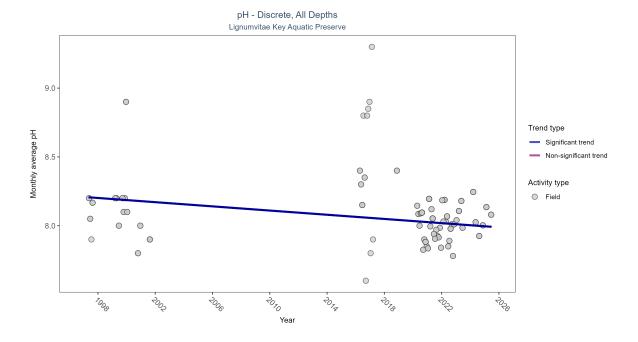


Figure 21: Scatter plot of monthly average pH over time. If the time series included ten or more years of discrete observations, a significant (blue) or non-significant (magenta) trend line is also shown. Only pH values measured in the field (circles) are included in the plot.

Table 11: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for - pH

Activity Type	Statistical Trend	Sample Count	Years with Data	Period of Record	Median Result Value	Tau	Sen Intercept	Sen Slope	P
Field	Significantly decreasing trend	277	13	1997 - 2025	8.08	-0.29286	8.20907	-0.00762	0.0071

Monthly average pH decreased by  $0.01~\mathrm{pH}$  units per year.

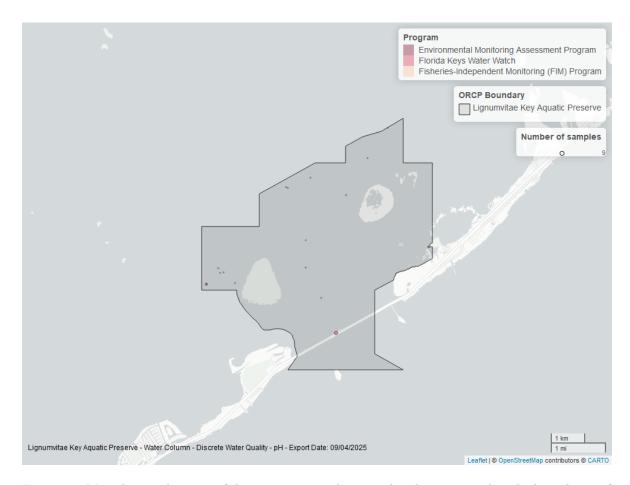


Figure 22: Map showing location of discrete water quality sampling locations within the boundaries of *Lignumvitae Key Aquatic Preserve*. The bubble size on the maps above reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

#### pH - Continuous

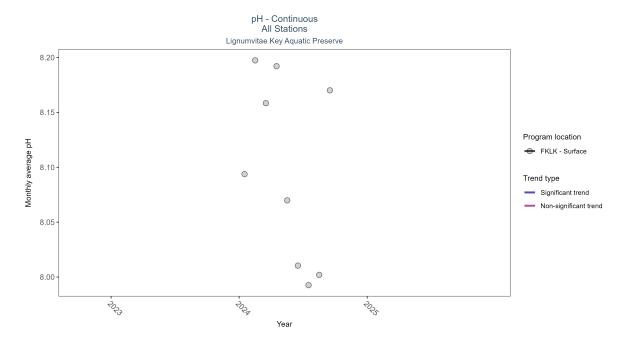


Figure 23: Scatter plot of monthly average pH over time at continuously monitored program locations. Each location is analyzed separately, with significant (blue) or non-significant (magenta) trend lines shown for time series that included five or more years of observations.

Table 12: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results - pH

Program Location	Statistical Trend	Sample Count	Years with Data	Period of Record	Median Result Value	Tau	Sen Intercept	Sen Slope	P
FKLK	Insufficient data to calculate trend	21517	1	2024 - 2024	8.1	-	-	-	-

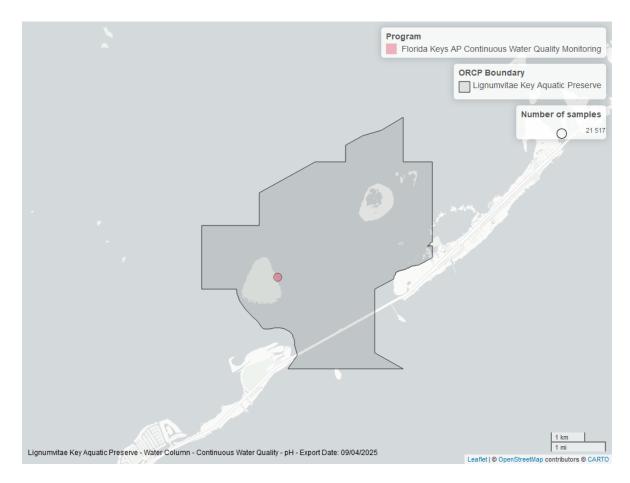


Figure 24: Map showing location of ph continuous water quality sampling locations within the boundaries of *Lignumvitae Key Aquatic Preserve*. The bubble size on the maps above reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

#### Water Clarity

#### Turbidity - Discrete

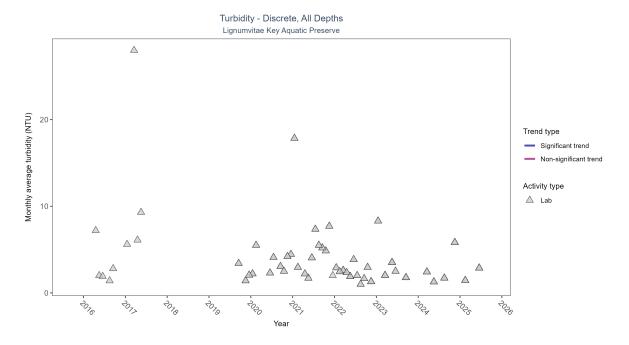


Figure 25: Scatter plot of monthly average turbidity over time. If the time series included ten or more years of discrete observations, a significant (blue) or non-significant (magenta) trend line is also shown. Only turbidity values measured in the laboratory (triangles) are included in the plot.

Table 13: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for - Turbidity

Activity Type	Statistical Trend	Sample Count	Years with Data	Period of Record	Median Result Value	Tau	Sen Intercept	Sen Slope	P
Lab	Insufficient data to calculate trend	126	9	2016 - 2025	2.2	-	-	-	-

There was insufficient data to fit a model for turbidity.

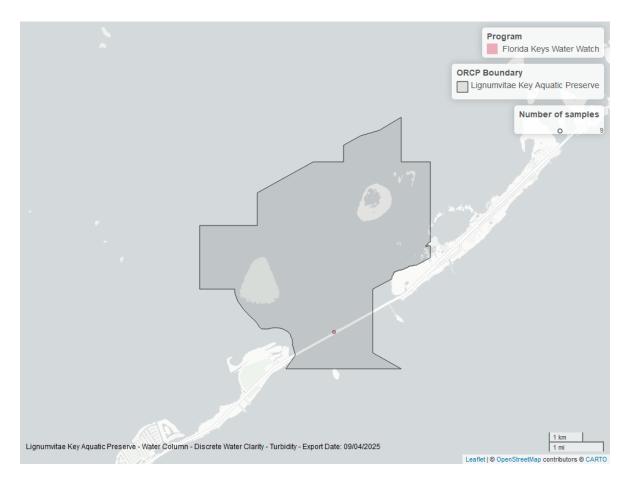


Figure 26: Map showing location of discrete water quality sampling locations within the boundaries of *Lignumvitae Key Aquatic Preserve*. The bubble size on the maps above reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

#### **Turbidity - Continuous**

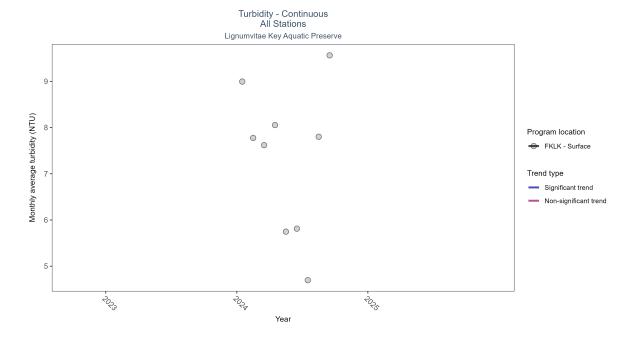


Figure 27: Scatter plot of monthly average turbidity over time at continuously monitored program locations. Each location is analyzed separately, with significant (blue) or non-significant (magenta) trend lines shown for time series that included five or more years of observations.

Table 14: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results - Turbidity

Program Location	Statistical Trend	Sample Count	Years with Data	Period of Record	Median Result Value	Tau	Sen Intercept	Sen Slope	Р
FKLK	Insufficient data to calculate trend	21399	1	2024 - 2024	6	-	-	-	-

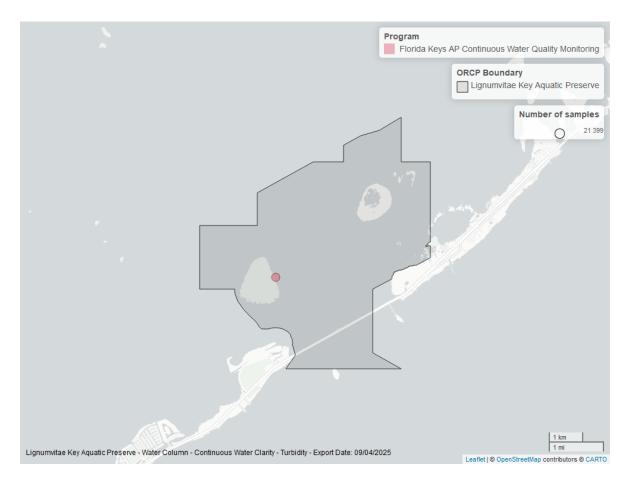


Figure 28: Map showing location of turbidity continuous water quality sampling locations within the boundaries of *Lignumvitae Key Aquatic Preserve*. The bubble size on the maps above reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

#### Total Suspended Solids - Discrete

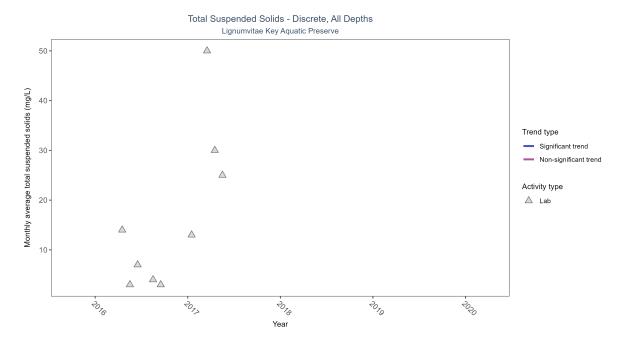


Figure 29: Scatter plot of monthly average total suspended solids (TSS) over time. If the time series included ten or more years of discrete observations, a significant (blue) or non-significant (magenta) trend line is also shown. Only TSS values obtained from laboratory analyses (triangles) are included in the plot.

Table 15: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for - Total Suspended Solids

Activity Type	Statistical Trend	Sample Count	Years with Data	Period of Record	Median Result Value	Tau	Sen Intercept	Sen Slope	P
Lab	Insufficient data to calculate trend	9	2	2016 - 2017	13	-	-	-	-

There was insufficient data to fit a model for total suspended solids.



Figure 30: Map showing location of discrete water quality sampling locations within the boundaries of *Lignumvitae Key Aquatic Preserve*. The bubble size on the maps above reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

#### Chlorophyll a, Uncorrected for Pheophytin - Discrete

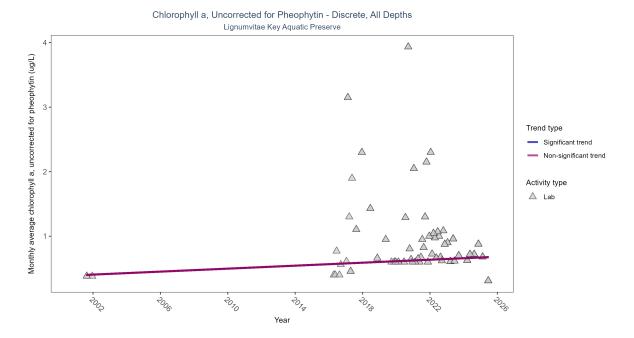


Figure 31: Scatter plot of monthly average levels of chlorophyll a, uncorrected for pheophytin, over time. If the time series included ten or more years of discrete observations, a significant (blue) or non-significant (magenta) trend line is also shown. Only laboratory-analyzed chlorophyll a (triangles) is included in the plot.

Table 16: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for - Chlorophyll a, Uncorrected for Pheophytin

Activity Type	Statistical Trend	Sample Count	Years with Data	Period of Record	Median Result Value	Tau	Sen Intercept	Sen Slope	P
Lab	No significant trend	141	11	2001 - 2025	0.68	0.13444	0.39338	0.01153	0.3302

Chlorophyll a, uncorrected for pheophytin, showed no detectable trend between 2001 and 2025.

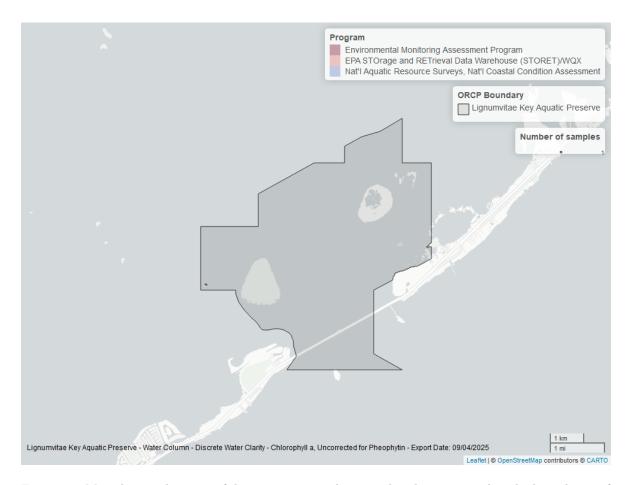


Figure 32: Map showing location of discrete water quality sampling locations within the boundaries of *Lignumvitae Key Aquatic Preserve*. The bubble size on the maps above reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

#### Chlorophyll a, Corrected for Pheophytin - Discrete

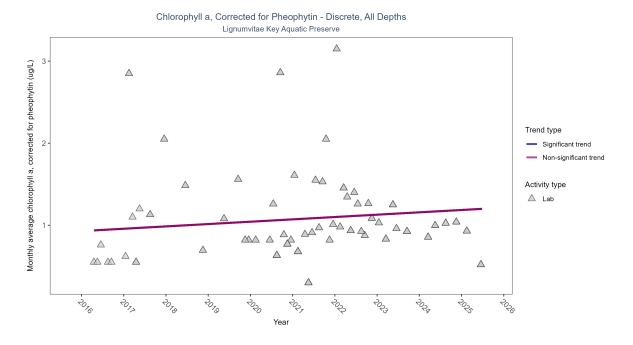


Figure 33: Scatter plot of monthly average levels of chlorophyll a, corrected for pheophytin, over time. If the time series included ten or more years of discrete observations, a significant (blue) or non-significant (magenta) trend line is also shown. Only laboratory-analyzed chlorophyll a (triangles) is included in the plot.

Table 17: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for - Chlorophyll a, Corrected for Pheophytin

Activity Type	Statistical Trend	Sample Count	Years with Data	Period of Record	Median Result Value	Tau	Sen Intercept	Sen Slope	P
Lab	No significant trend	199	10	2016 - 2025	0.82	0.15141	0.92875	0.02857	0.2336

Chlorophyll a, corrected for pheophytin, showed no detectable trend between 2016 and 2025.



Figure 34: Map showing location of discrete water quality sampling locations within the boundaries of *Lignumvitae Key Aquatic Preserve*. The bubble size on the maps above reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

#### Secchi Depth - Discrete

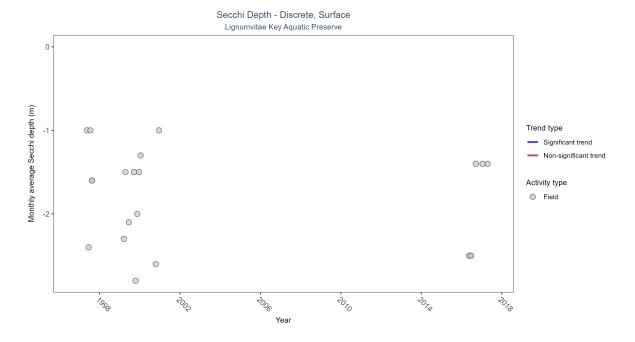


Figure 35: Scatter plot of monthly average Secchi depth over time. If the time series included ten or more years of discrete observations, a significant (blue) or non-significant (magenta) trend line is also shown. Secchi depth is only measured in the field (circles).

Table 18: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for - Secchi Depth

Activity Type	Statistical Trend	Sample Count	Years with Data	Period of Record	Median Result Value	Tau	Sen Intercept	Sen Slope	P
Field	Insufficient data to calculate trend	38	6	1997 - 2017	-1.5	_	-	-	

There was insufficient data to fit a model for Secchi depth.

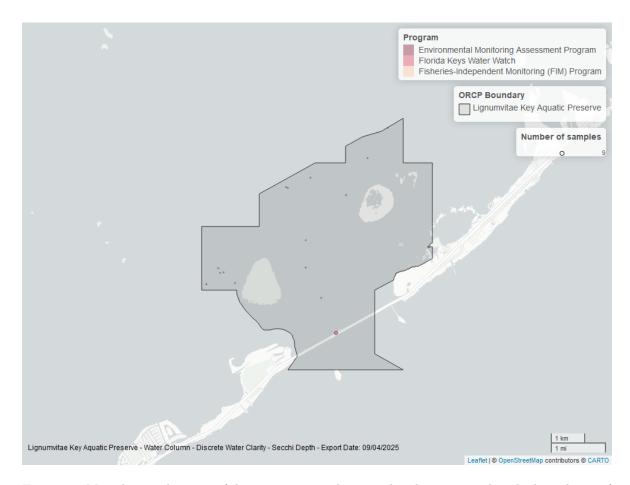


Figure 36: Map showing location of discrete water quality sampling locations within the boundaries of *Lignumvitae Key Aquatic Preserve*. The bubble size on the maps above reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.