

South/Central River Basins Team

USACE, Tulsa District Zebra Mussels



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Tulsa District Infestation History

1. Jan 1993 ~ W.D. Mayo, R.S. Kerr, and Webbers Falls locks (Ark River)
2. June 1993 ~ Chouteau Lock (Verdigris River)
3. Jan 1994 ~ Newt Graham Lock (Verdigris River)
4. June 2003 ~ Oologah Lake (Verdigris River)
5. June 2003 ~ Lynn Lane Lake (Tulsa Water Supply)
6. & A.B. Jewell Lake (Tulsa Water Supply)
7. Aug 2003 ~ El Dorado Lake, KS (Walnut River)
8. July 2004 ~ Kaw Lake (Arkansas River)
9. Aug 2004 ~ Cheney Lake, KS (one veliger)(Wichita Water Supply)
10. Oct 2005 ~ Keystone Lake (Arkansas & Cimarron Rivers)
11. May 2006 ~ OG&E Sooner Lake (water supply)
12. June 2006 ~ Skiatook Lake (Hominy Creek)(only one on RWD intake at dam)
13. June 2006 ~ Zink Lake in Tulsa (Arkansas River)
14. July 2006 ~ Grand Lake (Grand/Neosho River)(none found since)
15. & GRDA Chouteau Powerplant (water supply)
16. Aug 2007 ~ Skiatook Lake (found 13 more)



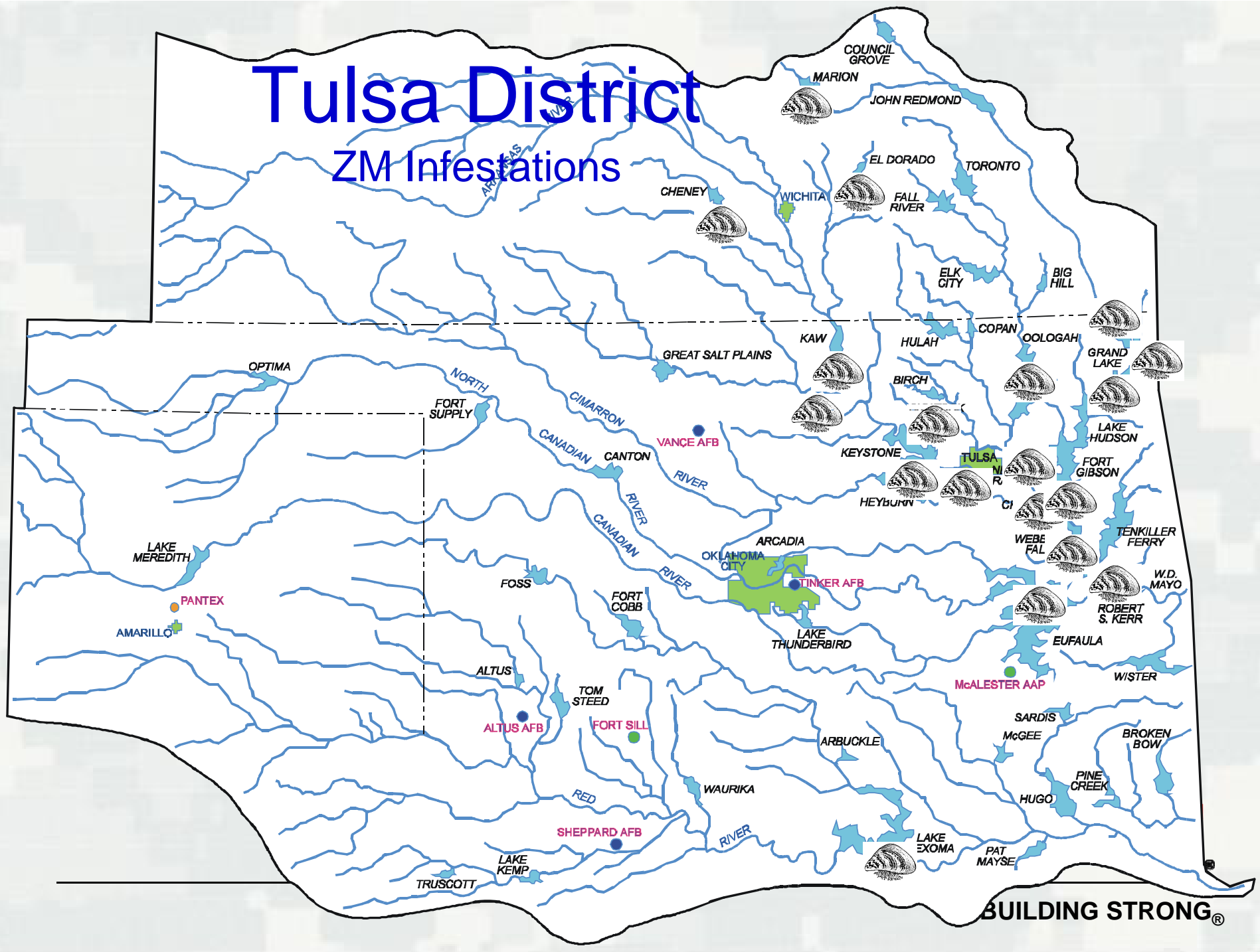
TD 2009-Current Infestation

17. 9 Mar 09 ~ Neosho River, OSU sample, NE of Miami, OK.
18. 3 Apr 09 ~ Lake Texoma, one on a private TX dock.
19. 11 Apr 09 ~ Grand Lake, Zebra Mussel infested boat stopped at a marina, from Lake Michigan, all were dead, cleaned before allowed to launch.
20. 12 Jun 09 ~ Lake Texoma, more specimens on two different marinas.
21. 12 Jul 09 ~ Lake Texoma, one on a fire extinguisher near a marina on the Washita River in Ok.
22. 30 Jul 09 ~ Lake Texoma, 28 on three samplers.
23. July 09 ~ W.R. Holway Reservoir and Lake Hudson , OK.
24. 3 Aug 09 ~ two on rocks in West Prong of Sister Grove Creek, 300 yds downstream of NTMWD outfall, and one near the Knob Hill Road bridge.
25. 7 Aug 09 ~ Lake Texoma ~ confirmations near the Denison water pump station, near the NTMWD pump station, the mouth of the main cove at Eisenhower SP, the upper end & mid-arm of Little Mineral Arm, and the ramps at Highport and Russwood.
26. Jan 10 ~ Eufaula Lake, several found on samplers in four parks on lake.
27. Jan 10 ~ Ft. Gibson Lake, several found in powerhouse during maintenance.
28. 15 Mar 10 ~ Ft. Gibson Lake, confirmed on samplers in two parks on lake.



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ZM Infestations



Webbers Falls #2 Strainer ~ 18 Aug 06



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El Dorado Lake Trash Rack ~ Apr 06



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Oologah Lake ~ Watergun



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Oologah Lake ~ Shells on Shoreline



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“However”

Navigation System crashed in 1997.

Oologah, Kaw, & El Dorado crashed in 2007.

- ~ High Spring Flows
- ~ Extreme & Abrupt Fluctuations
- ~ High Summer Water Temperatures



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Zebra Mussel Environmental Tolerances

VARIABLES	HIGH	MODERATE	LOW	VERY LOW
Dissolved Oxygen (ppm)	8 – 10	6 – 8	4 – 6	<4
Water Temperature (C/F)	18/64 – 25/77	16/61 – 18/64 25/77 – 28/82	9/48 – 25/77 28/82 – 30/86	<8/46 >30/86
Total Hardness (mg CaCO₃/l)	90 – >125	45 – 90	25 – 45	<25
Calcium (ppm)	25 – 125	20 – 25	9 – 20	<9
pH	7.5 – 8.7	7.2 – 7.5 8.7 – 9.0	6.5 – 7.2	<6.5 >9.0
Salinity (ppt)	0 – 1	1 – 4	4 – 10	10 – 35
Conductivity (μ Siemens)	83 – >110	37 – 82	22 – 36	>22
Turbidity (secchi disk cm)	40 – 200	20 – 40	10 – 20 200 – 250	<10 >250
Water Velocity (m/sec)	0.1 – 1.0	.09 – 0.1 1.0 – 1.25	.075 - .09 1.25 – 1.5	<.075 >1.5
From European & North American Sources			C.O'Neill, NY Sea Grant, Mar 96	



Historically

- Cold-water species.
- Spawn from 54° to 80° F.
- Become stressed at 86° F, die within a few weeks.
- Die within 5 hours at 90° F.
- Spawn 1 or 2 times per season.
- Grow @ 3mm/mo w/ @ 1 cm per year.
 - ▷ NE Lake Erie growth rate was 0.54mm/week (Dermott, et al., 1993)
- Filter 1 liter of water per day.



Northeastern State University Study

McClellan/Kerr Navigation System ~ 1995

- Early growth rates are faster than cold waters.
 - Chouteau ~ 0.41mm/week
 - Webbers Falls ~ 1.19mm/week
 - R.S. Kerr ~ 1.03mm/week
- High temperature is probably limiting late summer growth.
- Water quality differences may account for growth rate differences.
- The ranges for conductivity and calcium should support moderate to good growth at all sites.
- Early summer grow rates in Chouteau are slower, probably because of low pH.



“OG&E Muskogee Power Plant”

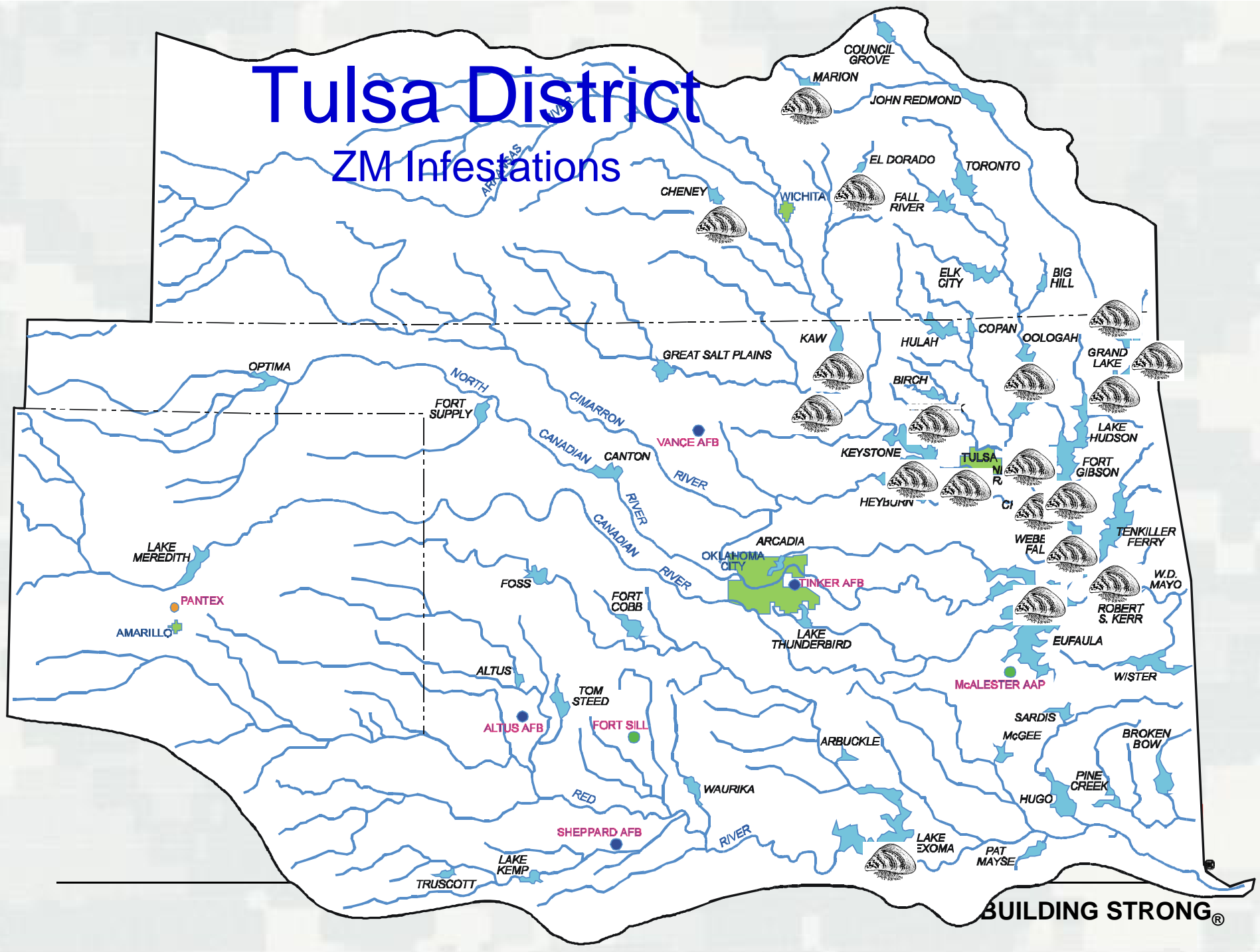
1998, 1999, 2000, & 2005 Sampling

- Veligers present all summer w/ 3-6 peaks.
- Veligers in water over 80°F.
 - 1998 mid June to late Sept
 - 1999 early July to early Sept
 - 2000 early July to mid Aug
 - 2005 late June to late Sept
- Veligers in water near 88°F(31°C) in 2005.
 - Aug 5 ~ 980/m³
 - Aug 12 ~ 1636/m³
 - Aug 22 ~ 1712/m³

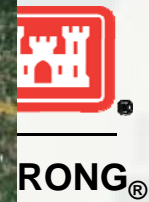
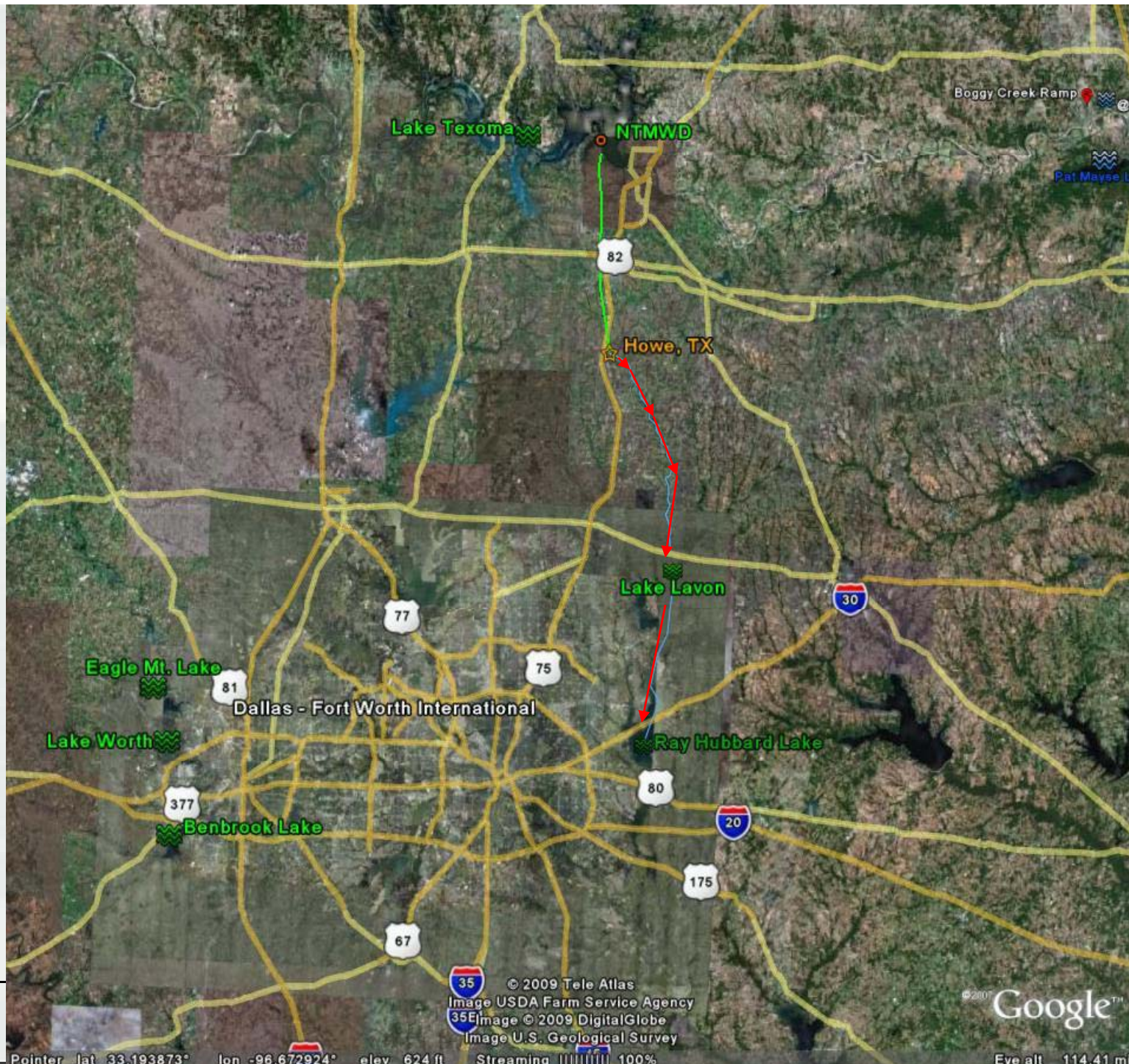


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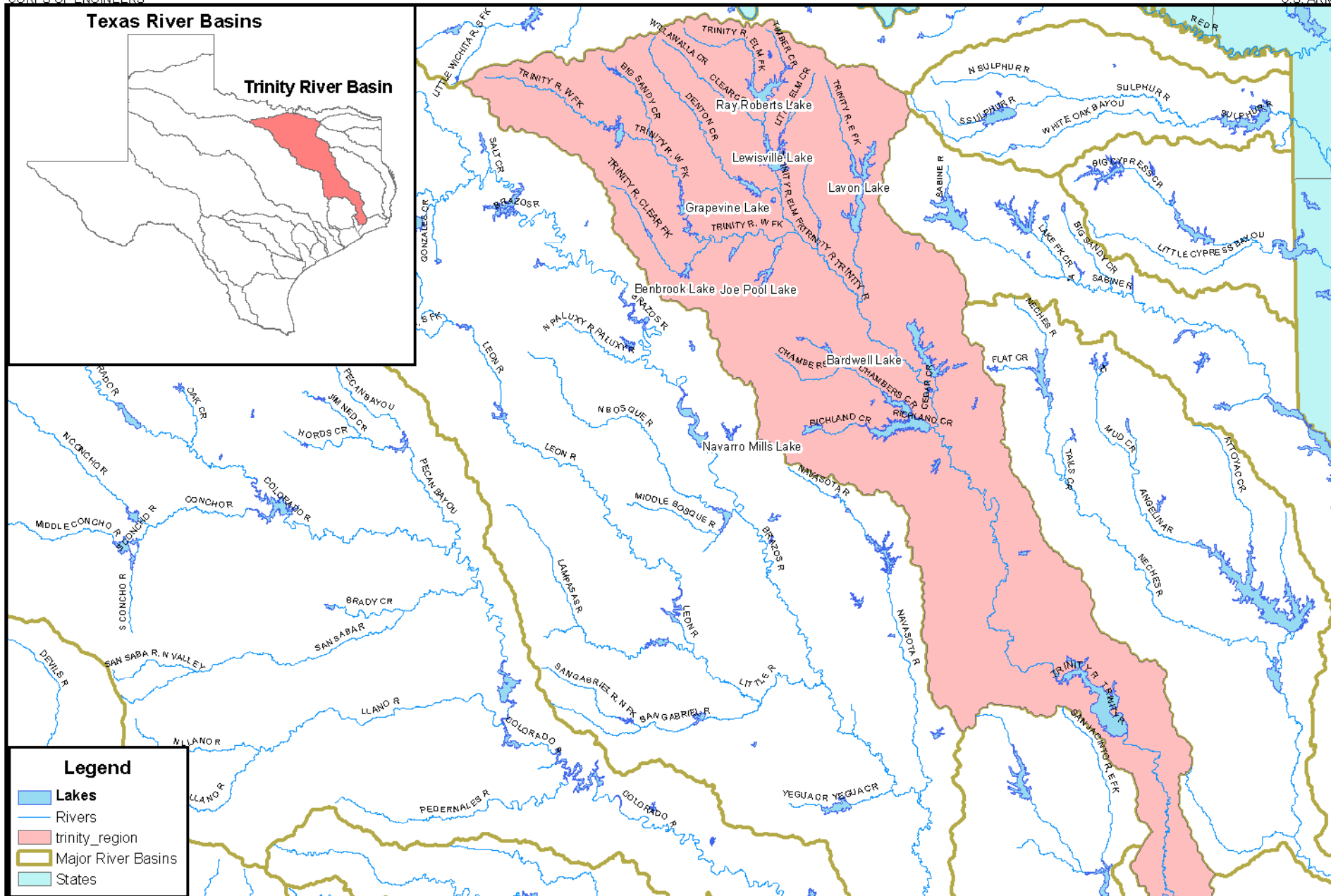


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Tulsa District Program

- Continue to provide I&E and PR about Zebra Mussels, and other invasive species.
- Continue to monitor densities & reproduction.
- Continue to monitor lakes for new infestations.
- Continue to support studies (biology, adaptation, water quality, monitoring, controls, etc.)
- Work with other Federal, state, and local interests.
- Continue to keep current with technology for controls.
- **Be prepared for adverse impacts to facilities.**



Some Controls

- Prevention in #1 Priority
- Chemicals
- Biocides
- Heat
- Toxic Metals (copper, bronze, zinc, gold, etc)
- Surface Coatings
- Physical Removal
- Water Speed (over 6.6cfs)
- Freezing
- Desiccation
- Filters
- Electrical Barriers
- Cathodic Barriers
- Ozone
- UV Light
- Acoustics



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Questions?



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