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Dr. Getsinger has been studying the biology, ecology, and management of aquatic plants since 1973, focusing on chemical control of submersed, floating and emergent invasive species. After staff appointments at several universities, he began his Federal career at the US Army Engineer Research and Development Center (ERDC), Vicksburg, MS, in 1986. Since 1988 he has been the research leader of the Chemical Control and Physiological Processes team at the ERDC. Dr. Getsinger earned a BS-Biology from Campbell University, an MS-Biology from East Carolina University, and a PhD-Plant Physiology from Clemson University. He is past president of the Aquatic Plant Management Society and an active member of other national and regional scientific organizations. For the past six years, he has conducted herbicide evaluations against the invasive flowering rush.

Dr. Getsinger has served on the board of the Council for Agricultural Science and Technology, chaired the Technical Advisory Committee of the Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Foundation, serves on the US Department of Agriculture IR-4 Project Aquatics Committee, collaborates with USDA-ARS aquatic weed groups, and is an aquatics subject matter expert for the US Environmental Protection Agency Office of Pesticide Programs. He also serves as technical advisor for over 30 Federal, state, and international water resource and aquatic plant management agencies. He currently holds adjunct faculty appointments at Mississippi State, North Carolina State, and Portland State universities.