

# Technical Memorandum BCWA



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**Table 1 BCR Summary Statistics**

**Bear Creek Reservoir 2019 - Summary Statistics**  
*Reservoir Growing Season July to September*

<b>Reservoir Monitoring Parameters</b>		<b>Reservoir</b>
<b>Chlorophyll (Site 40)</b>		
Average Growing Season Chlorophyll-a [ug/l (-1m)]		13.9
Average Annual Chlorophyll-a [ug/l (-1m)]		14.8
Peak Chlorophyll-a [ug/l]		31.0
<b>Total Phosphorus</b>		
Average Annual Total Phosphorus [ug/l]: Water Column		65.1
Average Annual Total Phosphorus [ug/l] -1m		38.7
Average Annual Total Phosphorus [ug/l] -10m		91.5
Growing Season Total Phosphorus [ug/l]: Water Column		89.6
Growing Season Total Phosphorus [ug/l]: -1m		33.8
Growing Season Total Phosphorus [ug/l]: -10m		145.3
Peak Annual Total Phosphorus [ug/l] Water Column		543.0
<b>Total Nitrogen</b>		
Average Annual Total Nitrogen [ug/l]: Water Column		726
Average Total Nitrogen [ug/l]: -1m		733

Average Total Nitrogen [ug/l]: -10m	719
Growing Season Total Nitrogen [ug/l]: Water Column	467
Growing Season Total Nitrogen [ug/l]: -1m	507
Growing Season Total Nitrogen [ug/l]: -10m	428
<b>Clarity (All Profiles)</b>	
Average Annual Sechhi Depth (meters)	1.44
Growing Season Average Secchi Depth (meters)	1.37
<b>Dissolved Oxygen (site 40 Profile)</b>	
Annual Average at -1/2m - 2m [mg/l]	10.65
Seasonal Average at -1/2 - 2m [mg/l]	7.78
Seasonal Minimum at -1/2 - 2m [mg/l]	6.67
<b>pH</b>	
Annual Average at -1/2m - 2m [mg/l]	8.26
Seasonal Average at -1/2 - 2m [mg/l]	8.73
Seasonal Maximum at -1/2 - 2m [mg/l]	8.47
<b>Specific Conductance</b>	
Annual Average at -1/2m - 2m [uS/cm]	884.5
Seasonal Average at -1/2 - 2m [us/cm]	887.5
Seasonal Minimum at -1/2 - 2m [us/cm]	230.1
<b>Phytoplankton Species</b>	
<b>Phytoplankton Species with &gt;100,000 Biovolume um<sup>3</sup>/mL - Site 40 (July- October 2019)</b>	
	Anabaena flos-aquae
	Aphanizomenon flos-aquae
	Microcystis aeruginosa
	Cryptomonas erosa
	Achnanthes deflexa
	Asterionella formosa
	Cymbella mexicana
	Fragilaria crotonensis
	Melosira ambigua
	Melosira granulata
	Synedra ulna
	Trachelomonas scabra
<b>Peak Phytoplankton</b>	
Microcystis aeruginosa	Density cells/ml = 38,843
Fragilaria crotonensis	Peak Biovolume (um <sup>3</sup> /mL) = 2,280,056
<b>Loading - Annual Pounds</b>	
Total Nitrogen -Total Load In to BCR	32,236
Total Nitrogen -Total Load From BCR	26,728
Total Nitrogen -Total Deposition into BCR	5,508
Total Phosphorus -Total Load In to BCR	2,052
Total Phosphorus -Total Load From BCR	1,262
Total Phosphorus -Total Deposition into BCR	789

**Table 2      2019 Summary Compared to Long-Term Trends**

Parameter		2019	91-2019 Mean	91-2019 Median
Chlorophyll-a (ug/L)	Top	15	14	13
Total Nitrogen ug/l	Top	902	760	753
	Bottom	841	769	762
	Water Column	872	739	761
Total Phosphorus (ug/L)	Top	39	57	39

	Bottom	92	83	60
	Water Column	65	68	50
Secchi Depth (m)	Top	1.4	2.1	2.1

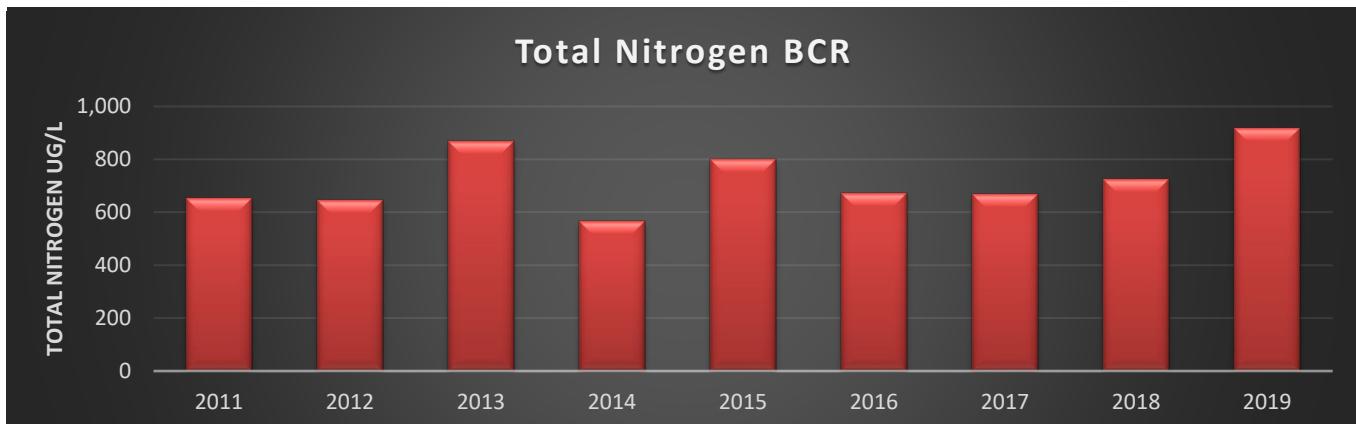


Figure 1 Total Nitrogen BCR

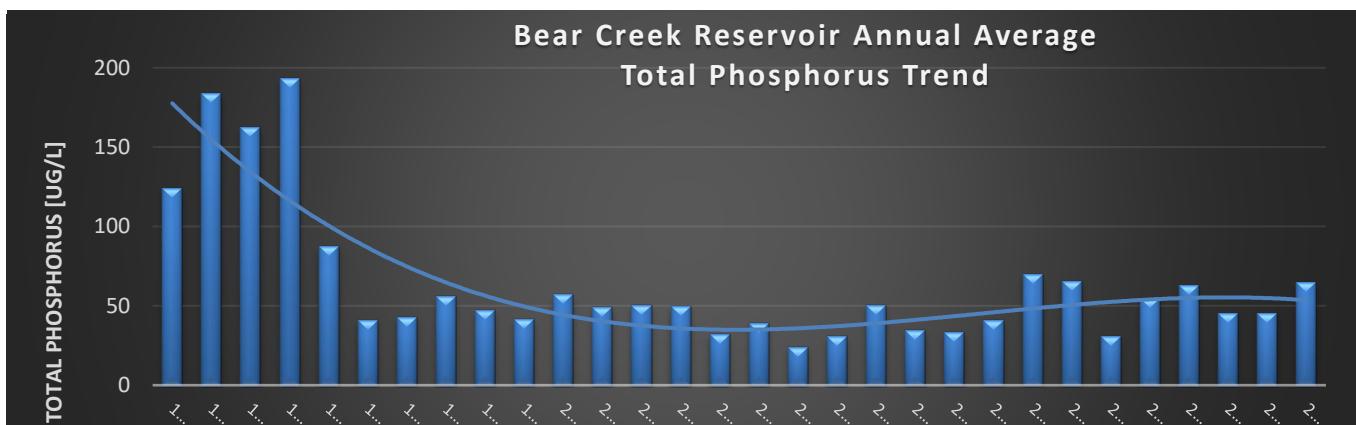


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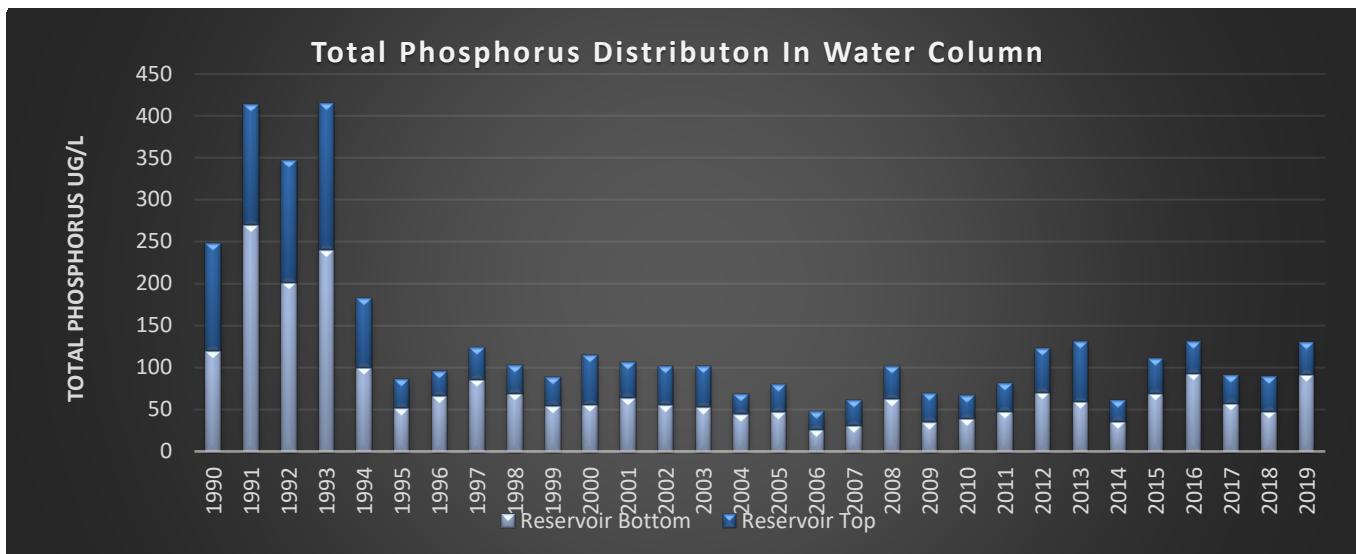
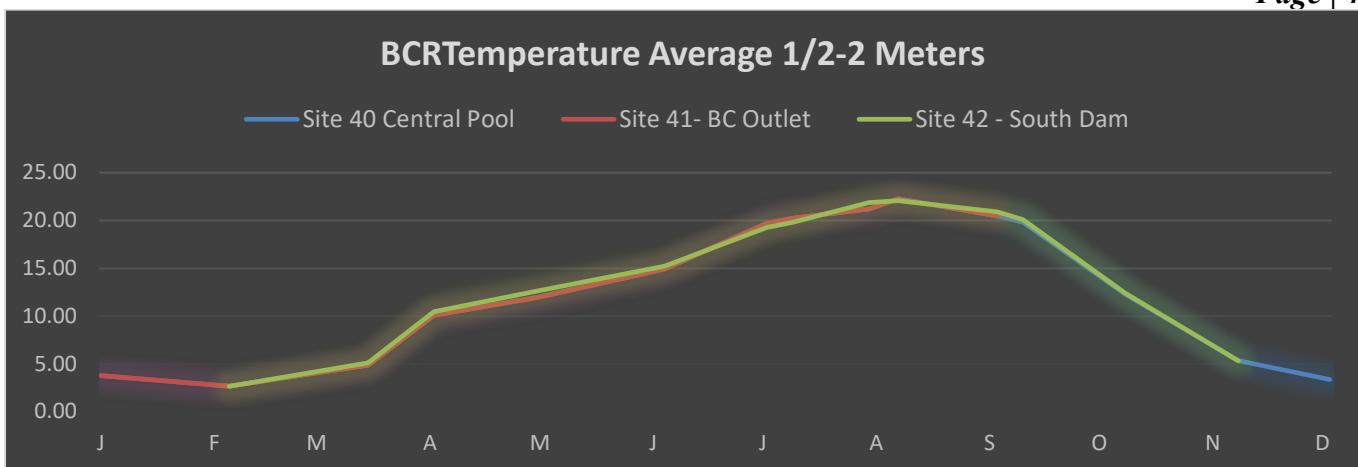
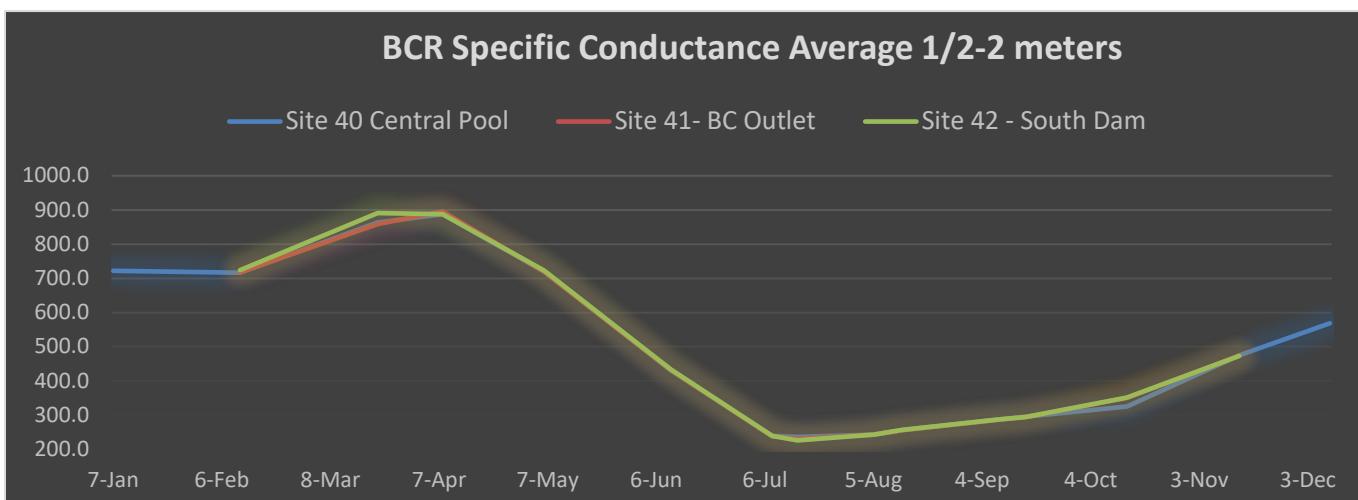
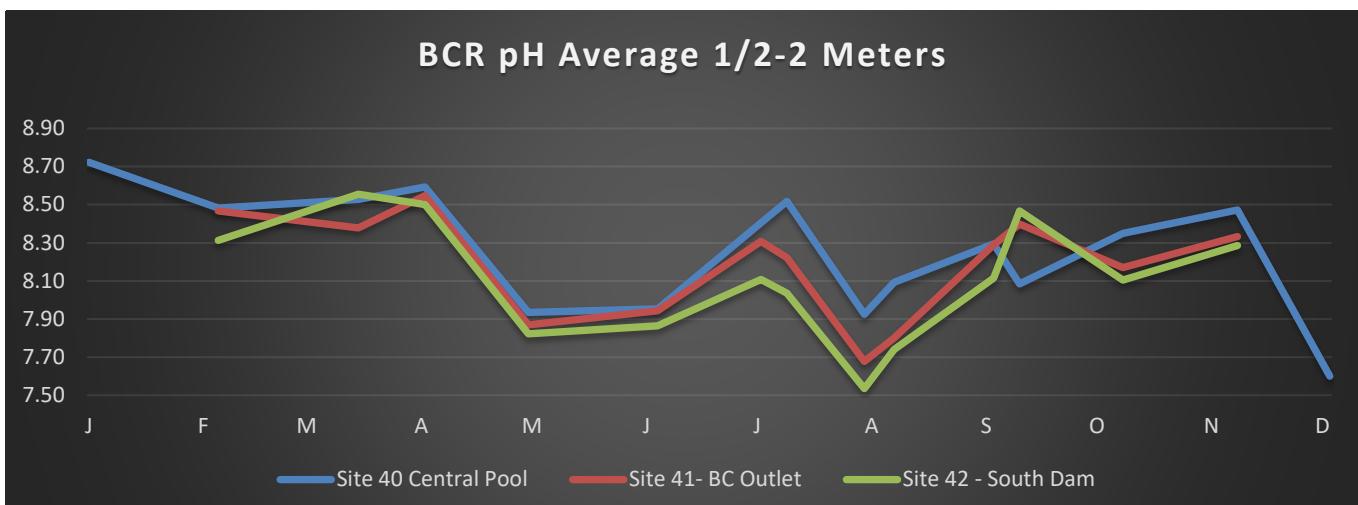


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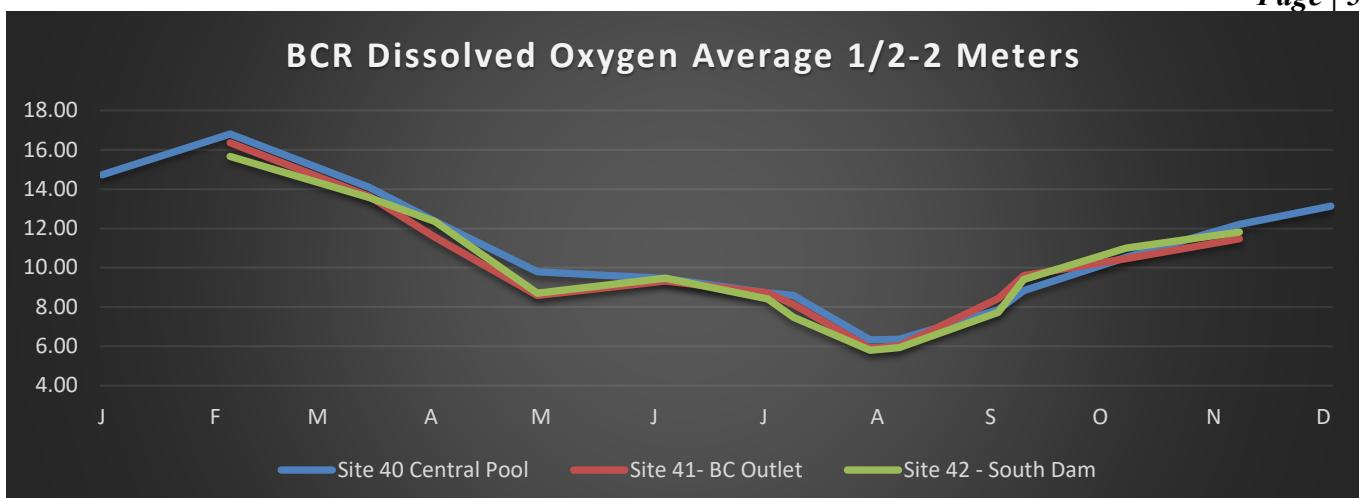


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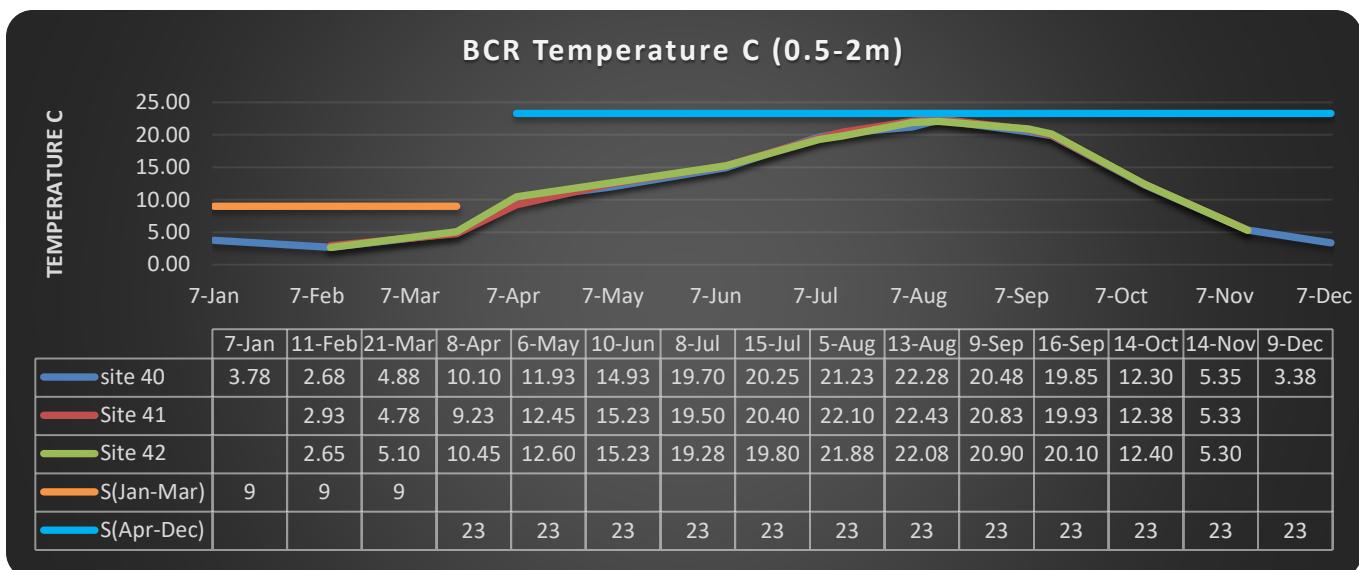


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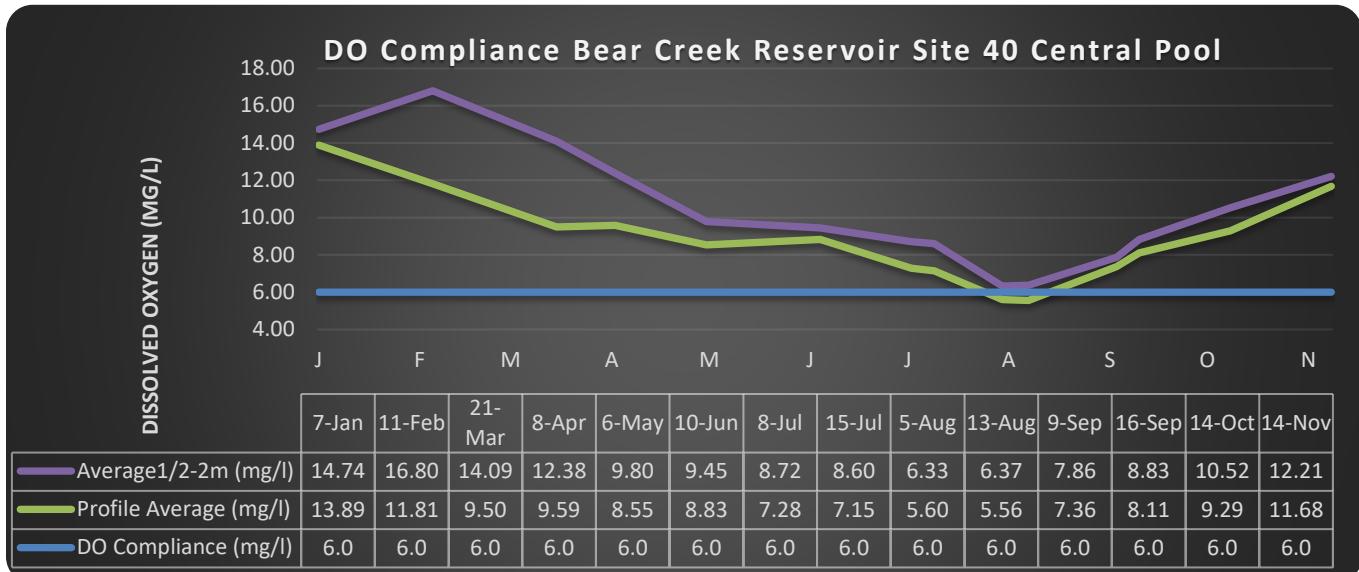
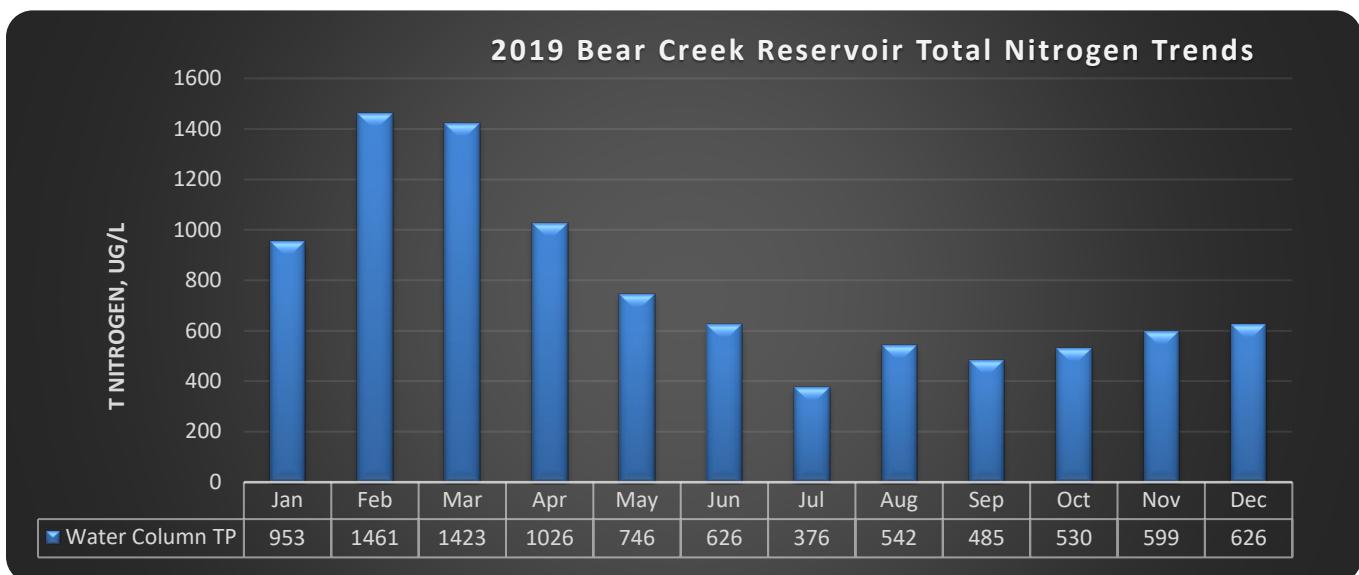
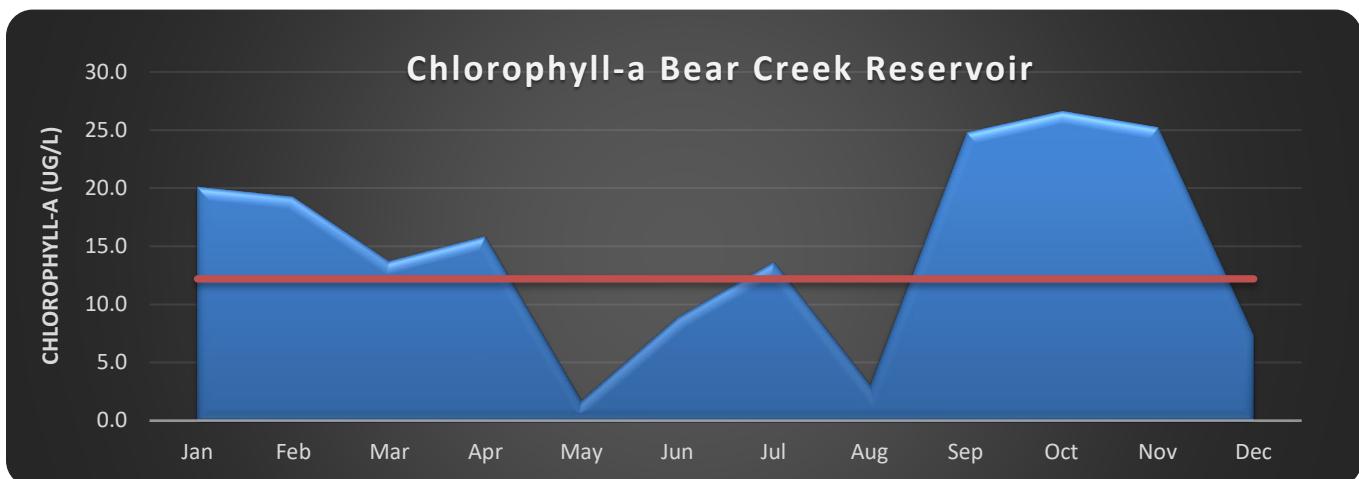
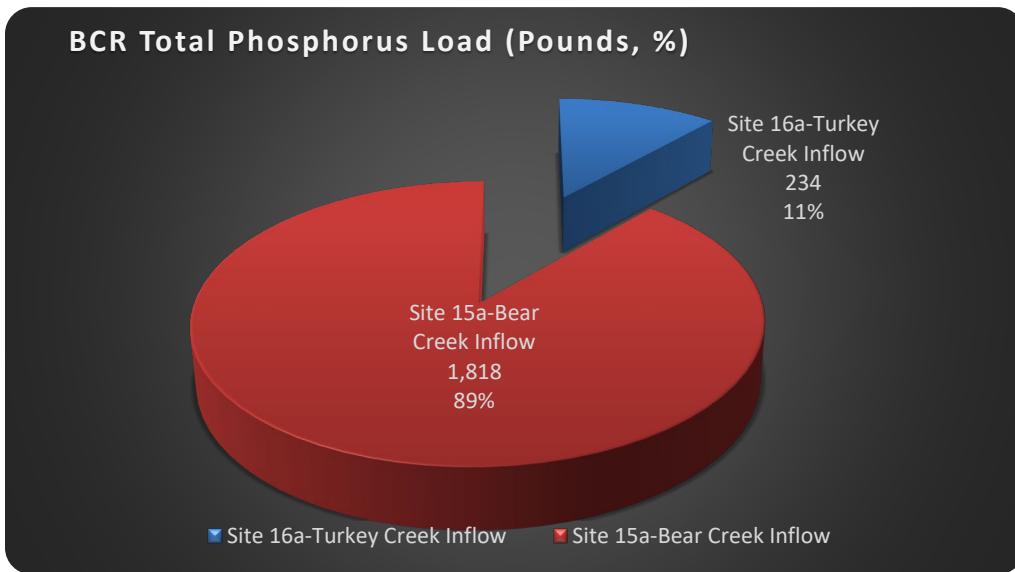
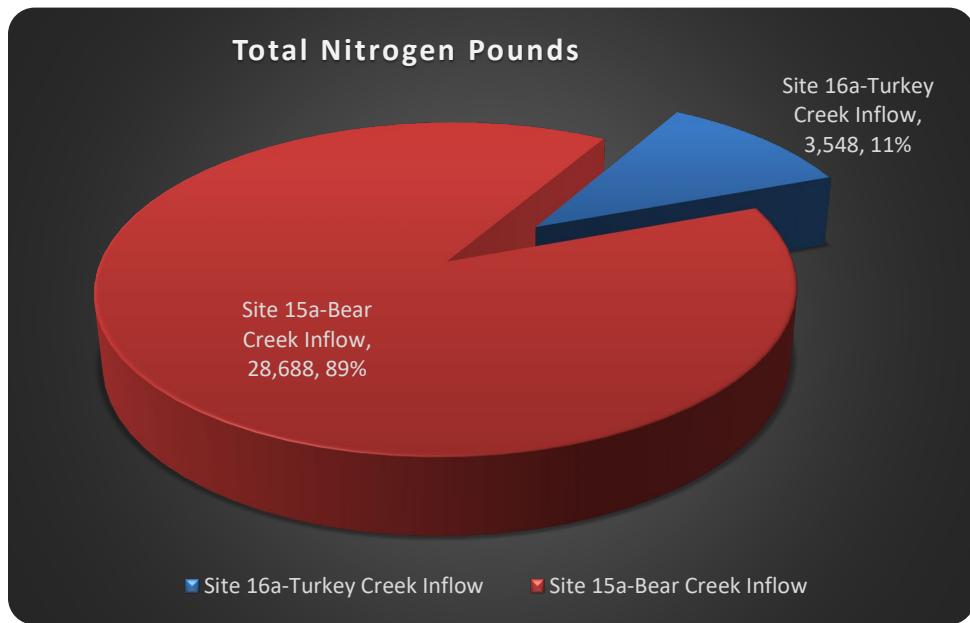


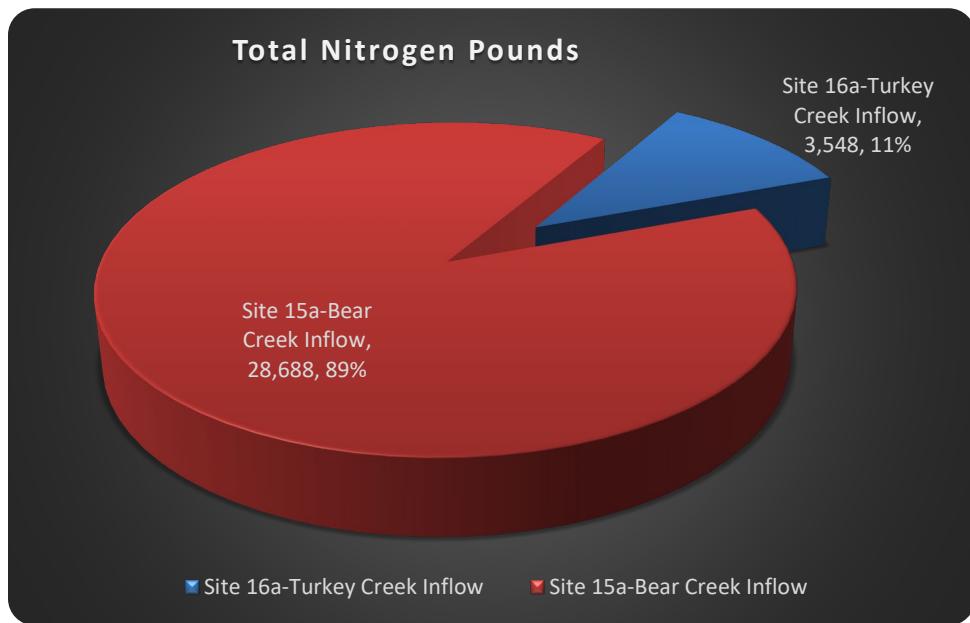
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