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### DEDICATION

To Jesse Crooks, without whom I would be lost. Thanks for loving me and keeping me grounded and focused. Also, to Edgar-what would life be without an adorably, crazy cat?

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### Abstract

Baseline surveys are important tools in establishing the present flora located within an area for future monitoring. In addition, knowledge of invasive species presence is essential to help maintain native ecosystem biodiversity. This study aimed to establish a baseline inventory of plant species found along a portion of the Three Rivers Greenway in Columbia, South Carolina, and to create a comprehensive list of native and invasive plant species within this area. In addition, a geographic information system (GIS) was employed to show the spread of a particular known invasive plant species, *Hedera helix* within the area. Specimens were collected in the study area from July 2013 to April 2015 with a focus on the fruiting or flowering status of each species gathered. This field study yielded a total of 178 specimens, with 53 of the specimens being duplicate species. Of the 125 identified species, 99 were dicots, 23 were monocots, and 3 were gymnosperms. The three largest dicot and monocot families found in the study area were that of Asteraceae, Fabaceae, and Rosaceae with 38%, 20%, and 18% and Poaceae, Commelinaceae, and Cyperaceae with 31%, 18%, and 18%, respectively. Of the species collected, 73% were native and 27% were non-native. Maps of the spread of H. helix showed a large portion of the southern area of interest (AOI) and 54% of the total AOI as inundated with this invasive species. Specimens were archived with identification labels at the University of South Carolina Herbarium in Columbia, South Carolina.

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### LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

GIS	Geographic Information System
AOI	Area of Interest
EU	European Union
CAP	Common Agricultural Policy
IPPC	International Plant Prevention Convention
RSPMs	Regional Standards for Phytosanitary Measures
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
NISC	National Invasive Species Council
ESA	Endangered Species Act
USCH	University of South Carolina Herbarium
FERC	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
GPS	Global Positioning System
ITIS	Integrated Taxonomic Information System
SC-EPPC	South Carolina Exotic Pest Plant Council

### CHAPTER 1: Introduction and Literature Review

Considered a modern instigator of worldwide changes in ecosystems, invasive plant species adapt from harmless plants to noxious ones with deleterious repercussions for conservation, primary production, and ecosystem services (Petanidou et al. 2011). An invasive plant species is classified as any species, which is non-native and upon introduction does or has the ability to inflict harm on the environment, the economy, or to human health (Martin and Blossey 2012). Conservationists, decision makers, managers, and the public typically distrust new species introductions because these species have the potential to become invasive species and threaten native biodiversity (Chauvenet et al. 2012). In addition, the introduction of new species can disrupt nutrient cycling, productivity, biotic interactions, and dispersal patterns (Kreyling et al. 2011). The possibility of introducing an invasive species to a new habitat is worrisome because an invasive species could have a large, negative impact on biodiversity (Chauvenet et al. 2012).

Global trade provides opportunities for new forms of dispersal of potential invasive species. For example, present reductions in European Union (EU) restrictions to transport and trade, along with increased tourism and support for agricultural modernization through the EU Common Agricultural Policy (CAP), have altered control measures allowing for an increased probability of invasive species spread (Bardsley and Edwards-Jones 2007. Ironically, travel from England (Great Britain) to America and then France first highlighted the potential dangers associated with invasive species and international travel and trade.

The concept of international plant protection was originally conceived after the devastation of European grape vineyards by the North American invasive aphid *Daktulosphaira vitifoliae* (grape phylloxera) in the late 1800s ("History of the IPPC" 2014). The International Plant Prevention Convention (IPPC) is a legally binding international agreement developed in 1929 that creates standards for addressing world phytosanitary concerns (Lindgren 2012). The IPPC first began addressing invasive species in 1951, and defines a "pest" as any species, strain, or biotype of plant, animal, or pathogenic agent injurious to plants or plant products. Subsequently, a "quarantine pest" is a pest of potential economic importance to the area, endangered and not yet present, or present but not widely distributed and being officially controlled (FAO 2007). The IPPC includes pests, such as invasive plants, that may directly or indirectly adversely affect agriculture or the environment (Hedley 2004). At a regional level, the IPPC allows for the development of Regional Standards for Phytosanitary Measures (RSPMs), providing guidelines for screening plants prior to import (Lindgren 2012). RSPMs are significant because they suggest modeling as a tool that should be used in pest risk analysis, such as with invasive plant species (Lindgren 2012). However, to model an area appropriately for future monitoring it must first be surveyed to the fullest extent.

Global leaders in importing and exporting with comparable ecosystems, the United States and China have become both suppliers and victims of the international transport of invasive plant species (Jenkins and Mooney 2006). Extensive trade and travel between these two countries and worldwide has only exacerbated invasive species

spread. For example, approximately 40% of U.S. total imports are from China and China's imports from the U.S. have doubled in the past 10 years, while their exports worldwide have increased 400% (Jenkins and Mooney 2006). With a similar biogeography, the native biodiversity of both nations will likely suffer as the flora and fauna merges (Jenkins and Mooney 2006). As evidenced in the early 1900s with the destruction of the population of *Castanea dentata* (American chestnut), pests, competitors, and pathogens can be stressors negatively affecting the fitness of forests resulting in mass mortalities of some native plant species in North American forests (Jenkins and Mooney 2006).

An increasing body of scientific literature has explored the environmental concerns associated with plant species' introductions and invasions and there are many resources and studies documenting the effects of invasive plant species. Baker and Murray (2012) addressed the effects of seasonal litter-fall from non-native *Pinus radiata* on local primary production ecosystem services in Australia's native woodland vegetation over a two-year period. Results showed that in autumn and winter large amounts of needles from invasive pines fell up to three times more than the number of native leaves (Baker and Murray 2012). The pine needles, which were of lesser quality than native leaves, contained fewer carbon (C) and nitrogen (N) molecules, but with a higher ratio of C to N (Baker and Murray 2012). Though inputs of C and N were higher because of the pine needles, the results indicated that the pine needles decomposed slowly and immobilized N, limiting availability of N for native plant growth in the long term (Baker and Murray 2012).

Furthermore, the intrusion of large amounts of pine needles to native eucalyptus woodland ground cover could lead to both short and long term detrimental effects on the native biodiversity, such as alteration of leaf-litter invertebrate communities, changes to microclimate, and increased fire intensity (Baker and Murray 2012). It was suggested that the influx of *P. radiata* needles be controlled through the use of buffer zones, addition of plant strips composed of native trees that could cushion the native vegetation from the pine microclimate, the replacement of *P. radiata* with mixes of two or more species (polycultures), or the effective management of planting *P. radiata* on lower elevations and in areas not exposed to strong winds where litter can be carried to nearby woodlands (Baker and Murray 2012). These mechanisms could help limit the intrusion of pine needle litter in adjacent woodlands and aid to keep the primary productivity at an optimal level.

While *P. radiata* behaves as an invasive species to native eucalyptus woodlands, *Eucalyptus globulus* (Tasmanian blue gum eucalyptus) is an invasive plant species in California where oak woodlands are native. Imported as an ornamental from Australia in the 1850s, *E. globulus* was recently classified as a "limited" invasive plant species by the California Invasive Plant Council (Cal-IPC) in a 2015 assessment of the tree's ecological impacts (Wolf et al. 2015). The species is most notable for being fire-intensive and altering groundwater availability, which results in interesting circumstances when *E. globulus* is planted or grows at a high density in California, where drought and fires are prominent. Furthermore, *E. globulus* has parameters for greater fuel loads than the native oak woodlands and can survive prolonged dry summers by tapping into deep water reservoirs with their far-reaching root systems (Wolf et al. 2015). Anthropogenic

disturbance is crucial to establishing new populations of the species; however, established stands of *E. globulus* are already expanding, especially along the coast of California. In addition, a 50-400% increase in the size of *E. globulus* stands has been documented between 1930 and 2001 across six sites along the coastline (Wolf et al. 2015). Such impacts on the native habitats of the California coastline should factor into future management decisions.

Economic impacts caused by invasive species are being researched extensively, and many conservation organizations have expanded their budget to include management of invasive species, especially invasive plant species (Martin and Blossey 2012). In 2006, the federal budget for invasive species control in the United States was \$466 million, \$400 million more than the 2002 budget (Martin and Blossey 2012). The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service reports species of nutria, zebra mussels, lionfish, Asian carp, Burmese pythons, and two species of plants, Eurasian watermilfoil and *Tamarisk* spp. (salt cedar) as current invasive species that cost the most in damage, management, and control (U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service 2012). Models can be extrapolated to determine how the presence of invasive plant species can influence the appeal of land for conservation procurement and help to reframe the economic impact of invasive plants in terms of trade-offs that are relevant to conservation specialists (Martin and Blossey 2012).

Martin and Blossey (2012) studied the ecological and economic effects invasive plant species have on the desirability of lands for conservation acquisition. Using a webbased survey, public and private land owners were asked to choose between plots of hypothetical land that varied in area, plant species composition, and maintenance cost

(Martin and Blossey 2012). Of the 285 responses received, rare plant species richness had the strongest effect on land parcel desirability, seconded by invasive plant abundance, area, and lastly maintenance cost (Martin and Blossey 2012). It was noted that federal land managers were most sensitive to invasive plant species cover (Martin and Blossey 2012). Results showed that species richness was highly valued and an increase of one rare plant species was worth a 4.31% reduction to non-native invasive plant species cover (Martin and Blossey 2012). Furthermore, responses favored invasive plant control that cost less than \$142.72 acre per year to maintain (Martin and Blossey 2012). Organizations participating in this survey spend a combined total of approximately \$35 million a year to manage invasive plant species; thus it is imperative that the cost of management not be excessive. Control programs costing more than \$142.72 acre per year would not be economically efficient (Martin and Blossey 2012). Because money is a chief concern of management, programs that restrict the movement of invasive plant species should be enacted early to prevent a rise in cost later on when the invasive species becomes unmanageable.

On an economic level, invasive species can cause harm to farming through the take-over of croplands (Bartz et al. 2010). Farmers can suffer from tradeoffs in the fitness of species invading croplands leading to diversification in populations across habitats. In Lee's review (2002) the invasive species *Malus pumila* (paradise apple), which ripens prior to *Crataegus* spp. (native hawthorn), has higher internal temperatures, allowing for a divergence in the phenology and physiology of *Rhagoletis pomonella* (apple-maggot fly). *R. pomonella* can develop 3-4 weeks earlier in the year due to an adaptation to higher temperatures and thus disperse themselves sooner to more apple

crops (Lee 2002). *R. pomonella* evolved as a new species in the process of sympatric speciation from a group of flies that fed on hawthorn species after the arrival of apples to North America in the 1800s. Due to their evolution, *R. pomonella* only feeds on species of apples, whereas hawthorn flies still feed on only hawthorn species (Lee 2002). Experiments have shown that warmer conditions during development of larvae select for alleles seen in populations of *R. pomonella* and cooler conditions select for alleles common in hawthorn fly populations (Lee 2002). Distinct physiological species can exist because of fitness tradeoffs when invasive species disrupt croplands. The development of *R. pomonella* earlier in the growing season of apple crops can greatly harm apple harvests for farmers (Lee 2002).

Furthermore, species have evolved responses in plasticity to irregular conditions. Introduced to the U.S. from Southeast Asia before 1700, *Abutilon theophrasti* (velvetleaf) has become a hostile invasive species in croplands in the Midwestern U.S. over the past century (Lee 2002). *A. theophrasti* has evolved as a response to interspecific competition for light with soybean, allowing it to outcompete soybean crops and harm harvests in invaded cultivated fields (Lee 2002).

Invasive plant species also affect human health with the introduction of new allergenic pollens that can cause medical outbreaks in communities (Bartz et al. 2010). Pests and vectors, such as mosquitos and *R. pomonella* can also contribute to issues of human health when their development is effectively sustained by an influx of invasive species to a habitat. Mack and Smith (2011) discussed potential risks of different vectors of human parasites supported by the catalyst of invasive plant species growth and spread. The aquatic, invasive plant *Eichhornia crassipes* (water hyacinth) creates dense, floating

areas of foliage above and below the water line in tropical South America. It is commonly known as "the world's worst weed" as it is a serial invader in the tropics and naturalized in temperate latitudes, requiring only that the temperature of its freshwater habitat be above 5°C (41°F) (Mack and Smith 2011). The damage wrought by *E. crassipes* is massive to aquatic ecosystems and nearby humans dependent on food, transportation, and clean water from such ecosystems (Mack and Smith 2011). This monoculture species with short stolons, dense, large foliage, and fibrous roots impedes the water current resulting in stagnant water and creating an optimal habitat for the incubation of parasite larvae (Mack and Smith 2011). For decades there has been a definitive link between *E. crassipes* and cases of malaria as *Anopheles* female mosquitos, which carry the instrumental agents for malaria (*Plasmodium* spp.), frequently deposit their eggs on the mats of *E. crassipes*.

In Africa, the terrestrial invasive plant *Lantana camara* (largeleaf lantana) is a notorious escapee from its original horticultural and ornamental status (Mack and Smith 2011). Native to the tropics of America, its aggressive growth as an invasive species allows it to form dense thickets of sprawling, entangled, and spiny stems in disturbed areas. By creating these habitats, *L. camara* facilitates the growth of *Glossina* ssp. (the tsetse fly) which carries trypanosomiasis commonly known as African sleeping sickness, a fatal illness if not treated (Mack and Smith 2011). Although a beautiful, flowering shrub, *L. camara* is a driver of disease that humans are unwittingly aiding by promoting sites for tsetse flies with shrubbery alongside their homes and throughout their villages (Mack and Smith 2011).

In North America's temperate environment, contracting Lyme disease caused by the tick-borne spirochete, Borrelia burgdorferi, is emerging as a more serious threat being exacerbated by the growth and spread of *Berberis thunbergii* and *Lonicera* spp., two types of terrestrially invasive shrubs (Mack and Smith 2011). Originally introduced for ornamental uses, B. thunbergii and Lonicera spp. have spread into North American forests and compete with native species. As both the plants' coverage and the concentration of deer populations has increased simultaneously, though exclusive of one another, the number of ticks has also increased (Mack and Smith 2011). Attaching to the deer population and thereby traveling with them, the ticks and deer form a dual role in the spread of Lyme disease. Tick populations have increased as a response to the surge in growth of these shrub species because these invasive plants provide places for the ticks to conceal themselves and breed, as well as preserve a high humidity favorable to tick survival (Mack and Smith 2011). B. thunbergii and Lonicera spp. are aggressive invasive species that can be transported to similar ranges and ecosystems with similar climates and biogeography, similarly to their introduction to North America as they originate in the East. As easily spread invasive species, they have a higher ability to promote circulations of disease as vectors that harbor parasites (Mack and Smith 2011).

In addition, damage to ecosystem biodiversity can further occur in the genetic modification of native flora. For example, genetically modified crops and ornamental plants that escape from their designated sites where they were planted and maintained can alter the genotypes of wild species via hybridization, which may result in abundance loss of a species and a degradation of the biodiversity in the ecosystem (Bartz et al. 2010).

Invasive species notably cause long-term ecosystem change, such as altering the composition and function of ecosystems and reducing species biodiversity (Bardsley and Edwards-Jones 2007). Alterations in the most basic of ecosystem functions have injurious effects on other environmental components. Ecosystem functions are crucial to maintaining biodiversity because they regulate change and stability, which is visible in the effects of deforestation on climate change and climate change on coral bleaching (Sekercioglu 2010). However, invasive species can potentially offer ecosystem benefits by providing habitat and food resources to rare and endangered species, filling voids left by extinct species and even supplying some ecosystem functions (Schlaepfer et al. 2011).

Schlaepfer et al. (2011) studied the benefits of invasive species on areas where conservation efforts are focused. The study noted that in ecosystems where non-native tree species were introduced into pastures that were no longer employed for grazing and could not be recolonized by native species of trees, the non-native species were successful. The introduced species thrived and created a new habitat bolstering native animal and plant populations. The new, non-native species provided shelter, food, and nutrients, ultimately creating a new microclimate of species. Not only did the introduced species facilitate restoration and recolonization, but they filled a niche left bare by the native species that could no longer survive in the altered pasture conditions (Schlaepfer et al. 2011).

Raghubanshi et al. (2005) conducted an experiment on the effects of invasive plant species on biodiversity in India. The experiment looked at several South American species which had been introduced. *Ageratum conyzoides* is a fast growing weed that has become a major problem in agroecosystems (Raghubanshi et al. 2005). In marine

ecosystems, several species were noted as nuisances with adverse effects to biodiversity by outcompeting other native marine plant species. However, some invasive species were noted as being economically beneficial and helpful to maintain biodiversity. For example, the use of invasive species for phytoremediation to repair ecosystems with metalliferous soils via the ability to accumulate or exclude and store essential elements and metal deposits was proposed as a form of therapy for ecosystems (Raghubanshi et al. 2005). Although many invasive plant species pose problems to ecosystems, when researched and managed properly they can provide ecosystem functions in a degraded ecosystem and aid the economy and biodiversity when native species cannot sustain their niches.

The increasing importance of studying climate change is vital to understanding and preventing the spread of invasive plants. Changing climatic conditions provide opportunities for invasive species to expand their distribution and establish themselves in new ecosystems (Bardsley and Edwards-Jones 2007). Hellmann et al. (2008) led a study to predict how climate change influences invasive species movement. Because invasive species are distributed in qualitatively predictable behaviors and respond differently from native species, climate change has the potential, depending on the habitat, to alter those behaviors. For example, invasive plant species behaviors are noted to follow the common "invasion pathway" (Hellmann et al. 2008). The pathway was utilized to identify five consequences to invasive species by climate change including 1) altered transport and introduction mechanisms, 2) establishment of new invasive species, 3) altered impact of existing invasive species, 4) altered distribution of existing invasive species, and 5) altered effectiveness of control strategies (Hellmann et al. 2008).

These consequences provide suggestions for invasive species management plans and stress a need for greater environmental monitoring and management coordination (Hellmann et al. 2008). Such environmental changes provide challenges for policy planning and management strategies for natural, agricultural, and urban areas (Bardsley and Edwards-Jones 2007).

Invasive species display characteristics of increased competitive ability, and thus increase the susceptibility of habitats to being invaded by other non-native species (Colautti and Richardson 2009). Currently in some countries, the floral composition of non-native species is one third of all plant species, and in the United States, there are more than 4,300 naturalized non-native species (Martin and Blossey 2012). For example, Nandina domestica (sacred bamboo) and Elaeagnus umbellata (autumn olive) were introduced to the U.S. from Asia in the 1800s as ornamental species ("Invasive Plants" 2014), and E. umbellata was also later cultivated to attract wildlife in habitats and to aid in erosion control (Fordham et al. 2003). Both N. domestica and E. umbellata appear on the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and National Invasive Species Council (NISC) list of invasive plant species and are noted to cause impact by displacing native species ("Invasive Plants" 2014). It is unfortunately common for non-native, ornamental plant species to escape cultivation and become invasive species. There are approximately 17,000 native plant species in the U.S. and an additional 5,000 plant species in the U.S. that have escaped and thrive in their non-native ecosystems (Pimental et al. 2004).

In addition to habitat loss and climate change, invasive species are believed to be a serious threat to endangered species (Martin and Blossey 2012). Of the 958 species

listed as threatened or endangered within the Endangered Species Act (ESA),

approximately 400 are deemed in jeopardy because of competition or predation by nonnative species (Pimental et al. 2004). Worldwide almost 80% of endangered species are at risk as a consequence of invasive species stress (Pimental et al. 2004). For example, *Arundo donax* (giant reed), is an introduced plant that is an aggressive invasive species originally brought from the Mediterranean to Los Angeles, California in the 1800s to be used as both an ornamental plant and for erosion control in drainage canals ("Fire Effects Information" 2014). As it desiccates waterways, *A. donax* eliminates native waterway flora that provide habitats for four endangered species: *Vireo bellii pusillus* (least bell's vireo), *Empidonax traillii extimus* (southwestern willow flycatcher), *Rana draytonii* (California red-legged frog), and *Gasterosteus aculeatus* (three-spine stickleback) (Invasive Species 1999).

Known as one of the most prevalent invasive species in the United States, *Lythrum salicaria* (purple loosestrife) is an escaped ornamental introduced in the early 1800s that destroys invaded riparian habitats (Invasive Species 1999). The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service cites this species as occurring in all U.S. states except Florida. Roadside maintenance, such as mowing and the construction of roads and ditches, allows *L. salicaria* to easily spread from exposed meadows and old pastures to unexposed wetlands ("Purple Loosestrife" 2014). It is known to invade a myriad of wetland habitats including freshwater wet meadows, river banks, marshes, pond edges, reservoirs, and ditches ("Purple Loosestrife" 2014). By overcrowding upwards of 44 native grasses, *L. salicaria* limits wetland plant species, such as federally endangered orchids and *Hibiscus moscheutos* (swamp rose mallow) ("Purple Loosestrife" 2014). With an annual control

cost of more than \$45 million *L. salicaria* is both ecologically and economically damaging ("Purple Loosestrife" 2014).

Commonly seen on roadsides along the Atlantic coast, north to Illinois and Massachusetts, west to Texas and Oklahoma, and south to Alabama, Georgia and Mississippi, *Pueraria montana* var. *lobata* (kudzu) and *Arundo donax* (giant reed), which have spread from the East to West coast throughout the southern United States, are two noticeable invasive plant species. Other less common, but still prevalent invasive plant species in the United States are *Hydrilla verticillata* (hydrilla), *Lygodium japonicum* (Japanese climbing fern), *Ligustrum japonicum* (Japanese privet), *Nandina domestica* (sacred bamboo), *Ailanthus altissima* (tree of heaven), *Albizia julibrissin* (mimosa tree), *Vinca major* (big leaf periwinkle), and *Wisteria sinense* (Chinese wisteria). Common invasive plant species in South Carolina are *Ligustrum sinense* (Chinese privet), *Hedera helix* (English ivy), *Microstegium vimineum* (Japanese stiltgrass), and *Morus alba* (white mulberry), to name a few.

Schierenbeck et al. (1994) completed a study in the Upper Coastal Plain of South Carolina to document the spread of *Lonicera* species, specifically *L. japonica* and *L. sempervirens*, common invasive vines throughout the state. The biomass and growth patterns of these species were monitored and measured to determine their adaptation abilities for survival and spread. Measurements of spread during seasonal and growth changes showed there was no single explanation for the spread of these invasive vines; rather, multiple plant advantages combined with wider distribution ranges increased competitive abilities (Schierenbeck et al. 1994). For example, *L. japonica* thrived because it escaped herbivory, but it also sprouted leaves in two different seasons,

allowing for higher photosynthetic capabilities and growth. Studying such growth patterns in invasive and native plants in the same habitat could provide opportunities to identify invasive species competitive adaptations before they expand and establish new distributions (Schierenbeck et al. 1994).

#### CHAPTER 2: Surveying the Riverfront Park

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Economic impacts caused by invasive species are being researched extensively, and many conservation organizations have expanded their budget to include management of invasive species, especially invasive plant species (Martin and Blossey 2012). In 2006, the federal budget for invasive species control in the United States was \$466 million, \$400 million more than the 2002 budget (Martin and Blossey 2012). The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service reports species of nutria, zebra mussels, lionfish, Asian carp, Burmese pythons, and two species of plants, Eurasian watermilfoil and *Tamarisk* spp. (salt cedar) as current invasive species that cost the most in damage, management, and control (U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service 2012). Models can be extrapolated to determine how the presence of invasive plant species can influence the appeal of land for conservation procurement and help to reframe the economic impact of invasive plants in terms of trade-offs that are relevant to conservation specialists (Martin and Blossey 2012). However, to model an area appropriately for future monitoring it must first be surveyed to the fullest extent.

Invasive plant species also affect human health with the introduction of allergenic pollens that can cause medical outbreaks in communities (Bartz et al. 2010). Pests and vectors, such as mosquitos can also contribute to issues of human health when their populations are bolstered by an influx of invasive species to a habitat. Mack and Smith

(2011) discussed potential risks of different vectors of human parasites supported by the catalyst of invasive plant species growth and spread. The aquatic, invasive plant *Eichhornia crassipes* (water hyacinth) creates dense, floating areas of foliage above and below the water line in tropical South America. It is commonly known as "the world's worst weed" as it is a serial invader in the tropics and naturalized in temperate latitudes, requiring only that the temperature of its freshwater habitat be above 5°C (41°F) (Mack and Smith 2011). The damage wrought by *E. crassipes* is massive to aquatic ecosystems and nearby humans dependent on food, transportation, and clean water from such ecosystems (Mack and Smith 2011). This monoculture species with short stolons, dense, large foliage, and fibrous roots impedes the water current resulting in stagnant water, creating an optimal habitat for the incubation of parasite larvae (Mack and Smith 2011). For decades there has been a definitive link between *E. crassipes* and cases of malaria as *Anopheles* female mosquitos, which carry the instrumental agents for malaria (*Plasmodium* spp.), frequently deposit their eggs on the mats of *E. crassipes*.

In North America's temperate environment, contracting Lyme disease caused by the tick-borne spirochete, *Borrelia burgdorferi*, is an emerging disease being exacerbated by the growth and spread of *Berberis thunbergii* and *Lonicera* spp., two types of terrestrially invasive shrubs (Mack and Smith 2011). Originally introduced for ornamental uses, *B. thunbergii* and *Lonicera* spp. have spread into North American forests and compete with native species. As both the plants' coverage and the concentration of deer populations has increased simultaneously, though exclusive of one another, the number of ticks has also increased (Mack and Smith 2011). Attaching to the deer population and thereby traveling with them, the ticks and deer form a dual role in the

spread of Lyme disease. Tick populations have increased as a response to the surge in growth of these shrub species because these invasive plants provide places for the ticks to conceal themselves and breed, as well as preserve a high humidity favorable to tick survival (Mack and Smith 2011). *B. thunbergii* and *Lonicera* spp. are aggressive invasive species originating in the East that can be transported to similar ranges and ecosystems with similar climates and biogeography, similarly to their introduction to North America. As easily spread invasive species they have a higher ability to promote circulations of disease as vectors that harbor parasites (Mack and Smith 2011).

In addition, damage to ecosystem biodiversity can occur with the genetic modification of native flora. For example, genetically modified crops and ornamental plants that escape from their designated sites where they were planted and maintained can alter the genotypes of wild species via hybridization. This may result in reduced species' abundance and ecosystem biodiversity (Bartz et al. 2010).

Invasive species notably cause long-term ecosystem change, such as altering the composition and function of ecosystems and reducing species biodiversity (Bardsley and Edwards-Jones 2007). Alterations in the most basic of ecosystem functions have injurious effects on other environmental components. Ecosystem functions are crucial to maintaining biodiversity because they regulate change and stability, which is visible in the effects of deforestation on climate change and climate change on coral bleaching (Sekercioglu 2010). However, invasive species can potentially offer ecosystem benefits by providing habitat and food resources to rare and endangered species, filling voids left by extinct species and even supplying some ecosystem functions (Schlaepfer et al. 2011).

An an increasing body of scientific literature has explored the environmental concerns associated with plant species' introductions and invasions and there are many resources and studies documenting the effects of invasive plant species. Schlaepfer et al. (2011) studied the benefits of invasive species on areas where conservation efforts are focused. The study noted that in ecosystems where non-native tree species were introduced into pastures that were no longer employed for grazing and could not be recolonized by native species of trees, the non-native species were successful. The introduced species thrived and created a new habitat bolstering native animal and plant populations. The new, non-native species provided shelter, food, and nutrients, ultimately creating and new microclimate of species. Not only did the introduced species facilitate restoration and recolonization, but they filled a niche left bare by the native species that could no longer survive in the altered pasture conditions (Schlaepfer et al. 2011).

The increasing importance of studying climate change is vital to understanding and preventing the spread of invasive plants. Changing climatic conditions provide opportunities for invasive species to expand their distribution and establish themselves in new ecosystems (Bardsley and Edwards-Jones 2007). Hellmann et al. (2008) led a study to predict how climate change influences invasive species movement. Because invasive species are distributed in qualitatively predictable behaviors and respond differently from native species, climate change has the potential, depending on the habitat, to alter those behaviors. For example, invasive plant species behaviors are noted to follow the common "invasion pathway" (Hellmann et al. 2008). The pathway was utilized to identify five consequences to invasive species by climate change including 1) altered

transport and introduction mechanisms, 2) establishment of new invasive species, 3) altered impact of existing invasive species, 4) altered distribution of existing invasive species, and 5) altered effectiveness of control strategies (Hellmann et al. 2008).

These consequences provide suggestions for invasive species management plans and stress a need for greater environmental monitoring and management coordination (Hellmann et al. 2008). Such environmental changes provide challenges for policy planning and management strategies for natural, agricultural, and urban areas (Bardsley and Edwards-Jones 2007).

Invasive species display characteristics of increased competitive ability, and thus increase the susceptibility of habitats to being invaded by other non-native species (Colautti and Richardson 2009). Currently in some countries, the floral composition of non-native species is one third of all plant species, and in the United States, there are more than 4,300 naturalized non-native species (Martin and Blossey 2012). For example, *Nandina domestica* (sacred bamboo) and *Elaeagnus umbellata* (autumn olive) were introduced to the U.S. from Asia in the 1800s as ornamental species ("Invasive Plants" 2014), and E. umbellata was also later cultivated to attract wildlife in habitats and to aid in erosion control (Fordham et al. 2003). Both N. domestica and E. umbellata appear on the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and National Invasive Species Council (NISC) list of invasive plant species and are noted to displace native species ("Invasive Plants" 2014). It is unfortunately common for non-native, ornamental plant species to escape cultivation and become invasive species. There are approximately 17,000 native plant species in the U.S. and an additional 5,000 plant species in the U.S. that have escaped and thrive in their non-native ecosystems (Pimental et al. 2004).

In addition to habitat loss and climate change, invasive species are believed to be a serious threat to endangered species (Martin and Blossey 2012). Of the 958 species listed as threatened or endangered within the Endangered Species Act (ESA), approximately 400 are deemed in jeopardy because of competition or predation by nonnative species (Pimental et al. 2004). Worldwide almost 80% of endangered species are at risk as a consequence of invasive species stress (Pimental et al. 2004). For example, *Arundo donax* (giant reed), is an introduced plant that is an aggressive invasive species originally brought from the Mediterranean to Los Angeles, California in the 1800s to be used as both an ornamental plant and for erosion control in drainage canals ("Fire Effects Information" 2014). As it desiccates waterways, *A. donax* eliminates native waterway flora that provide habitats for four endangered species: *Vireo bellii pusillus* (least bell's vireo), *Empidonax traillii extimus* (southwestern willow flycatcher), *Rana draytonii* (California red-legged frog), and *Gasterosteus aculeatus* (three-spine stickleback) (*Invasive Species* 1999).

Known as one of the most prevalent invasive species in the United States, *Lythrum salicaria* (purple loosestrife) is an escaped ornamental introduced in the early 1800s that destroys invaded riparian habitats (*Invasive Species* 1999). The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service cites this species as occurring in all U.S. states except Florida. Roadside maintenance, such as mowing and the construction of roads and ditches, allows *L. salicaria* to easily spread from exposed meadows and old pastures to unexposed wetlands ("Purple Loosestrife" 2014). It is known to invade myriad wetland habitats including freshwater wet meadows, river banks, marshes, pond edges, reservoirs, and ditches ("Purple Loosestrife" 2014). By overcrowding upwards of 44 native grasses, *L. salicaria* 

limits wetland plant species, such as federally endangered orchids and *Hibiscus moscheutos* (swamp rose mallow) ("Purple Loosestrife" 2014). With an annual control cost of more than \$45 million *L. salicaria* is both ecologically and economically damaging ("Purple Loosestrife" 2014).

Commonly seen on roadsides along the Atlantic coast, north to Illinois and Massachusetts, west to Texas and Oklahoma, and south to Alabama, Georgia and Mississippi, *Pueraria montana* var. *lobata* (kudzu) and *Arundo donax* (giant reed), which has spread to from the East to West coast throughout the southern United States, are two noticeable invasive plant species. Other less common, but still prevalent invasive plant species in the United States are *Hydrilla verticillata* (hydrilla), *Lygodium japonicum* (Japanese climbing fern), *Ligustrum japonicum* (Japanese privet), *Nandina domestica* (sacred bamboo), *Ailanthus altissima* (tree of heaven), *Albizia julibrissin* (mimosa tree), *Vinca major* (big leaf periwinkle), and *Wisteria sinense* (Chinese wisteria). Common invasive plant species in South Carolina are *Ligustrum sinense* (Chinese privet), *Hedera helix* (English ivy), *Microstegium vimineum* (Japanese stiltgrass), and *Morus alba* (white mulberry), to name a few.

Schierenbeck et al. (1994) completed a study in the Upper Coastal Plain of South Carolina to document the spread of *Lonicera* species, specifically *L. japonica* and *L. sempervirens*, common invasive vines throughout the state. The biomass and growth patterns of these species were monitored and measured to determine their adaptation abilities for survival and spread. Measurements of spread during seasonal and growth changes showed there was no single explanation for the spread of these invasive vines; rather, multiple plant advantages combined with wider distribution ranges increased

competitive abilities (Schierenbeck et al. 1994). For example, *L. japonica* thrived because it escaped herbivory, but it also sprouted leaves in two different seasons, allowing for higher photosynthetic capabilities and growth. Studying such growth patterns in invasive and native plants in the same habitat could provide opportunities to identify invasive species competitive adaptations before they expand and establish new distributions (Schierenbeck et al. 1994).

### 2.1 Hedera helix: Invasive Plant Species of Interest

*Hedera helix* is an evergreen dicot member of the plant family Araliaceae. Derived from the Greek 'helisso,' meaning 'to turn around' (Paulsen et al. 2010), it is a liana that specializes in spread via climbing with adventitious roots that allow the plant to maneuver along a wide range of organic and non-organic substances (Melzer et al. 2011). A popular ornamental plant species in the New World (Americas), *H. helix* behaves as an invasive species, whereas in the Old World (Europe, Africa, and Asia) its native habitat, it grows naturally in gallery forests or riparian zones. The root system of *H. helix* is adaptable in its method of attachment, tolerating myriad substrates such as rocks, tree bark, and mortar, enabling it to climb up to 30 meters with appropriate moisture, light, and attachment conditions (Melzer et al. 2011). Unbranched adventitious roots specialized in attachment develop at the side of its shoots nearest to the climbing substance, and when in contact with soil, shoots will develop beneficial underground roots that are branched (Melzer et al. 2011).

Melzer et al. (2011) studied the ability of *H. helix*'s adventitious roots to attach to different host species and non-organic substances. The tensile strength of the roots was also tested. *H. helix* was found to be able to easily attach to wood, cork, and mortar; however, attachment was not achieved on smooth surfaces, such as glass and aluminum.

In addition, results showed that *H. helix* grows on a wide variety of bark types and the root attachment system is adapted to function on most vertical areas that might be encountered during growth (Melzer et al. 2011). When testing the tensile strength of the attachment roots, it was found they were stiffer, had a higher breaking stress than plants with radicles, and a higher maximum strain overall. The ability of the attachment roots to maintain their grip and not break easily allows *H. helix* to move quickly, attach to many surfaces, and withstand weather conditions in non-native ecosystems as a hardy invasive.

While the adventitious roots of *H. helix* are adapted to function for attachment specializing in anchoring to surfaces and climbing to allow the plant growth space, they offer little nourishment unlike the subterranean roots of the plant (Melzer et al. 2011). This high level of adaptation gives *H. helix* the great ability to easily become an invasive species where any such vertical spaces are present in non-native habitats. Such a species bears importance in considering the management of habitats where invasive plant species are present; therefore in this study, *H. helix* was chosen to study its current spatial extent in the area of interest (AOI).

#### 2.2 Study Objective

South Carolina has a long history of botanical exploration. The University of South Carolina Herbarium (USCH) or A.C. Moore Herbarium shares in that history as it was established in 1907 by botanist Dr. Andrew Charles Moore. With over 100,000 specimens, it is the largest collection in the state of South Carolina. Herbariums are fundamental in documenting current and historical patterns of plant diversity, which is indispensable for understanding human and natural influences on plant community

structure (Kristensen 2009). This study contributes to the specimen database at the USCH with its baseline survey of the AOI.

A 9 ½ mile linear park located in the cities of Columbia, West Columbia, and Cayce, the Three Rivers Greenway is the convergence site of the Saluda, Broad, and Congaree rivers, as seen in Figure 2.1. The Three Rivers Greenway was created and is managed by The River Alliance which is a non-profit organization in Columbia, SC. This study aimed to understand the presence of all species and the prevalence of a particular invasive plant species in a portion of the Three Rivers Greenway in Columbia, South Carolina. This was to be accomplished by: 1) surveying the existing flora found at the site, 2) scientifically identifying collected specimens of species at the site, 3) cataloging the specimens by their native or non-native status, including whether or not they were invasive, 4) researching the USCH database for specimens already found in and around the AOI, and 5) using GIS to map the spread of *H. helix*, a noted invasive vine along the greenway as well as, the presence of all other identified specimens.

Important definitions to know for this study are found in Table 2.1. Both angiosperms and gymnosperms were collected in the AOI. Angiosperms have flowers and seeds borne in fruiting structures, whereas gymnosperms do not produce flowers and bear "naked seeds" so termed because they are unenclosed (Weakley 2012). Introduced plants in this study are harmless currently, but may or may not have the potential to become invasive if brought to an area lacking co-evolved competitors and natural enemies ("Introduced, Invasive, and Noxious Plants" 2014). To be considered noxious, a plant must appear on a noxious weed list maintained by a regulatory agency, wherein it

can be banned, quarantined, or eradicated depending on its impact (UC-IPM 2014). In this study, plants termed "noxious" are listed on South Carolina noxious weed lists.

Confusion can arise when discussing the terminology of naturalized, invasive, and native plants. Some species, such as *Lonicera japonica*, which is a common invasive plant species, is also a considered a naturalized species to the AOI. It has existed so long in the AOI that it has come to be considered native as it behaves like a native species in this habitat despite its typical invasive tendencies. However, the species is technically invasive because it not original to the New World and is difficult to manage as it spreads rapidly and aggressively, displacing native plants. In this study, a plant species' origin will be considered to determine its status as native or non-native. For example, *L. japonica* is termed both 'non-native' and 'invasive' to the AOI because its native range is in eastern Asia.

The City of Columbia recently employed the engineering firm Chao and Associates, Inc. to monitor seepages, animal burrowing, fallen trees, live and dead standing trees, and slope instability by observing the west or river side of the canal embankment (Chao and Associates, Inc. 2011). The firm also measured the cross section of the embankment along the length of the canal to catalogue the area in sections based on the probability of failure risk. Sections were grouped as 'A', 'B', 'C', and 'D' (Chao and Associates, Inc. 2011). The City of Columbia cited maintenance of the embankment and public safety, as well as the continued operation of the hydroelectric power generation station and the City of Columbia's drinking water supply as reasons for conducting these surveys (Chao and Associates, Inc. 2011). Sensitivity to the

environment and people who use the Riverfront Park were noted as goals. This examined area is the same as that of the AOI surveyed.

Chao and Associates, Inc. decided during Phase I evaluations that large portions of the embankment should be maintained as they were currently (Grego 2012). Furthermore, in the Columbia Canal West Embankment-Phase II plan prepared for FERC (Federal Energy Regulatory Commission) from early 2012, references were made to protect the riparian zone. However, it was eventually decided that environmental and water quality issues should be tabled in favor of embankment safety and that vegetation down to the water's edge should be removed (Grego 2012).

The ultimate plan advised that all trees on the embankment be removed as they block observation procedures, disrupt embankment stability, and generate habitats for burrowing animals (all proposed management actions in this paragraph are from: Chao and Associates, Inc. 2011). All trees and woody vegetation, except for trees that were of great size and age, were advised to be removed in portions of sections 'B', 'C', and 'D'. Older, larger trees were to be monitored for disease or storm damage, and no new trees should be planted or allowed to grow in the areas. The main goals of the firm for each section was as follows: 1) sections 'C' and 'D' were to be stabilized with no trees on the embankment and only mowable ground cover remaining, 2) section 'B' was to have all understory trees removed, leaving canopy trees, and removing all trees when damaged or diseased with no replanting, and 3) section 'A' needed no vegetation removal besides what is currently done, which is the periodic removal of snags and fallen trees.

While the durability of the embankment for utility operations and the City of Columbia's water supply is important to the community, the disturbance of a riparian

zone can cause more problems. Degraded riparian zones as a result of vegetation loss can lead to riverbed erosion, an increase in water temperature, a reduction in dissolved oxygen in the water, and loss of property or land value (US-NRCS 2006). Disturbance is defined as the disruption of functions or services within an ecosystem that maintain and benefit the ecosystem's viability (Villnäs et al. 2013). While natural disturbances such as drought, flooding, and fire can cause devastation, such situations are temporary and ecosystems can recover with time if not disturbed further. However, human disturbances such as clear-cutting, habitat fragmentation, and pollution are permanent and place more difficult pressures on ecosystems and species (Villnäs et al. 2013). Without time to adjust to one stressor before another stressor creates change, ecosystems cannot recover and natural cycles of disturbance including growth, dieback, and regrowth do not occur. Continued disturbance without recovery allows new species to move into and establish themselves in the area (Villnäs et al. 2013).

The study area is located in Richland County, South Carolina. The climate is humid subtropical climate with hot, long summers and short, mild winters. Spring and fall are mild intermediate periods between summer and winter (Newcome 2003). Temperatures average 26.9 °C (80.5 °F) in the summer and 9.2 °C (48.6 °F) in the winter, rarely exceeding 37.8 °C (100 °F) or falling below -6.7 °C (20 °F). The hottest and wettest month is July (14.1 cm (5.54 inches) rainfall) and the coldest month is January; however, October is the driest month (6.5 cm (2.56 inches) rainfall) (Newcome 2003). The growing season lasts for 8 months and snow is uncommon and short in duration if it does occur. Hurricanes from the Atlantic Ocean and the Gulf of Mexico contribute to rainfall and windy conditions during hurricane season (June 1st-November 30th)

(Newcome 2003). For ecosystems, hurricanes can mean a partial to complete loss of hardwood trees and native species, which in turn clears habitats for the invasion and establishment of invasive plant species.

The specific area of interest (AOI) included 52.9 acres on the east bank of the Three Rivers Greenway in a portion called Riverfront Park, comprising a distance of approximately 2 miles from the Diversion Dam (34° 2' 0.06"N, 81° 4' 9.63"W) south to the Interstate 126 overpass (34° 0' 32.84"N, 81° 3' 30.42"W). The area is highlighted by the red triangles in the map of South Carolina in Figure 2 and includes sections 'A' and 'B' from the City of Columbia's embankment plan. The Broad River, which flows along the area of study is approximately 150 miles long flowing through North and South Carolina, and is a primary tributary of the Congaree River. In Columbia, SC, the Broad River is crossed by two interstates (Interstates 20 and 126) and one major road (River Drive).

The habitat along the river in the study area was that of a riparian zone, which is defined as lands contiguous to streams or rivers and inundated with hydrophilic vegetation (US-NRCS 2006). These buffers are vital to improving water quality and preventing the runoff of pollutants, such as nitrogen, phosphorus, and pesticides, or sediments (US-NRCS 2006). A large source of nutrients and energy for aquatic communities, riparian zones contribute to energy input with woody debris and leaf litter and by offering shade, sustenance, and travel passages for both aquatic and terrestrial wildlife (US-NRCS 2006). Vegetation in riparian zones is characterized by native trees, shrubs, and grasses that aid to slow water from flooding and consequently stabilize and preserve riverbeds and banks allowing time for the water to penetrate the soil and

recharge groundwater (US-NRCS 2006). As areas of sediment deposition, riparian zones build river banks and prevent erosion by trapping sediments (US-NRCS 2006). The soil type in the AOI was 100% Toccoa loam, which is located in flood plains, has low runoff, occasional flooding, and is moderately well drained (*Custom Soil Resource Report* 2014).

River travel was a primary mode of transportation in the late 1700s and Columbia, the capital of South Carolina was strategically placed along the confluence of these rivers to maximize their conveyance capabilities. A major thoroughfare for the exporting of goods, the canal dates back to 1820 and ran from the Midlands to the Atlantic Ocean via the Port of Charleston. The portion of the greenway studied began in the recently disturbed northern section of the Riverfront Park at the Diversion Dam, which was constructed in 1891. This is also known as the Canal Embankment or the headwaters of the Old Columbia Canal.

Today these rivers are popular for recreation, development, and boating sites. Considering historical and ongoing changes to the ecosystem along the greenway, invasive species have had frequent opportunities to invade, establish, and thrive. With the growing need to calculate biodiversity loss, interest in botanical surveys has increased (Buckland et al. 2007). Collection and identification of invasive plant species in herbariums, as well as management of such species in varying habitats is a principal concern for conservation of native species and ecosystems (Evans 2013).

Knowledge of invasive species dispersal and spread is important to maintain native ecosystem biodiversity and help create preventative measures which can be applied to deter invasive species introductions. In disturbed ecosystems, invasive species that have previously established niches have modified ecosystem functions to an

alternative, degraded condition. Removing such species cannot guarantee the ecosystem will be restored, but it is worth investigation because ecosystem functions are crucial to maintaining biodiversity by regulating natural change and stability (Khanna et al. 2012). Therefore, comprehending invasive species interactions can be helpful in predicting potential community shifts (Khanna et al. 2012).

## 2.3 Methods

A botanical survey was conducted of the overall species variability along the west bank consisting of approximately 2 miles from the Diversion Dam (34° 2' 0.06"N, 81° 4' 9.63"W) south to the Interstate 126 overpass (34°0'32.84"N, 81°3'30.42"W) from July 2013 to April 2015. The total area of the AOI was calculated to be 52.9 acres (214,078.7  $m^{2}$ ). Because disturbance is credited as an influence on the structure of plant communities and is associated with the spread of invasive plant species, the spatial extent of *H. helix*, an invasive plant, was calculated and quantified in the AOI (Larson 2002). The northern portion of the AOI, from the Diversion Dam (34° 2' 0.06"N, 81° 4' 9.63"W) to the Broad River Road overpass (34° 1' 35.22"N, 81° 4' 6.25"W), has been disturbed in the past but has been left undisturbed for many years, only receiving some partial removal of snags and fallen trees occasionally. The second area is the southern portion of the AOI from the Broad River Road overpass (34° 1' 33.30"N, 81° 4' 5.22"W) to the Interstate 126 overpass (34° 0' 32.84"N, 81° 3' 30.42"W), which was disturbed approximately two years ago as part of the City of Columbia's embankment plan. The southern portion of the AOI was disturbed similar to section 'B' of the embankment plan, where understory trees, woody vegetation, snags, fallen trees, and any diseased or damaged trees were removed, leaving only canopy trees.

The study area began at the edge of the Broad River and spread east to the main sidewalk lining the canal. Plants between the main sidewalk and canal embankment were not included in this study as the area is frequently mowed and maintained by the local park rangers. Concrete and man-made trails were used to transverse the study areas, although more often specimens and GIS data were collected off the main trails.

The survey began at the Diversion Dam. A Garmin *etrex* 20 (Figure 2.3) global positioning system (GPS) was used to determine latitude and longitude, as well as elevation for location of the species identified. Transects (ca. 8 m in length) were created using a meter measuring tape (Figure 2.3). Once measured, transects were numbered and labeled with their associated number on nearby trees with Presco Pink Glo flagging tape (Figure 2.3). Some transects were a few meters longer because of a lack of trees able to be labeled due to the circumference of the tree trunk. For example, trees trunks were individually determined visually to be too large in circumference or too thin for tagging. This was done to conserve materials with larger trees and to not potentially lose labels on thinner trees during heavy rains when flooding would occur in the area and thinner trees were damaged.

As the purpose of this survey was to identify different species in the area and create a baseline survey, one or more specimens of all plant species found were collected. Specimens were selected by status of fruiting or flowering, two important identifiers when keying flora. Furthermore, specimens collected were defined by type of plant, the area in which they were collected, the season, the weather, and the date. Notes were taken during the survey to list these observances, as well as the latitudinal and longitudinal coordinates and elevations of each plant from which a specimen was

gathered placement. The specimens were pressed together in a dryer for periods of one to three weeks depending on the potential moisture levels determined to be in their floral or fruiting portions.

Once dried, specimens were keyed or identified. Specimen keys, listed below, and the University of South Carolina Herbarium (USCH) were employed as resources. Already recorded data for the Riverfront Park area, including the AOI, was researched at the USCH with the assistance of Herrick Brown, the Assistant Curator. Using multiple database queries, including "Richland County", "South Carolina", and "Riverfront Park" in Specify 6 (2014), data was accessed on March 18, 2015. The queries returned multiple results for the area, which were organized into Table 2.2 using the specimen's binomial nomenclature, family, and official USCH number.

Using both the *Manual of the Vascular Flora of the Carolinas* (1968) and *Flora of the Southern and Mid-Atlantic States* (2012), specimens were keyed to determine their genus and specific epithet. Of the literature Radford et al. (1968) contains full keys, whereas Weakley (2012) is lacking in some plant families. However, Radford, et al. (1968) has not been revised since 1968 and some binomial nomenclature has since been altered. Weakley (2012) is the more current version and uses the latest binomial nomenclature for identifying flora; thus, all specific names keyed are associated with that information. In addition, all identified specimens using the Weakley (2012) key were cross-referenced with the Integrated Taxonomic Information System (ITIS) (2014). Information on specimen families, genera, species, and common names was retrieved December 8, 2014, from the Integrated Taxonomic Information System on-line database, http://www.itis.gov. ITIS (2014) was used to decide the final version of the identified

specimen's taxonomic information so as to be as current as possible. Dr. John Nelson, curator of the University of South Carolina Herbarium in the Department of the Biological Sciences, assisted greatly with identification verification of the specimens, as well as, solely identified many of the specimens.

Once identified, information including the binominal nomenclature, family, latitude and longitude, elevation, and transect number (T1 to T131) and status as a monocot, dicot, or gymnosperm for each specimen was compiled into Table 2.3. Details concerning the native or non-native status for each specimen were compiled into a different table (Table 2.4). If a specimen was native, it was also designated as rare or common in SC. If a specimen was non-native, it was also designated as introduced, naturalized, or invasive, and if invasive, whether or not it is labeled as a state and/or federally noxious weed. Furthermore if invasive, the severity of invasiveness and known locations within South Carolina where indicated within Table 2.4.

Each specimen was also classified by the areas in SC in which it is found. Three sections of the state of SC were used to group locations of specimens: M=mountains, P=piedmont, and CP=coastal plain. If a specimen was designated as being found in "all of SC", then the plant is represented in all three regions across the state. These regional separations are borrowed from the South Carolina Exotic Pest Plant Council's list (2014) of invasive, terrestrial plant species. The 2014 Terrestrial Exotic Invasive Species List created by the South Carolina Exotic Pest Plant Council (SC-EPPC) was also referenced to solely identify invasive species in Table 2.4. The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Plants (2014) website, Invasive.org: Center for Invasive Species and Ecosystem Health (2014), Radford et al. (1968), and Weakley (2012) were all referenced

to identify each specimen's status as native or introduced, if the specimen was not referenced in the SC-EPPC invasive species list. Some information for species locations was difficult to find; therefore, some species received designations of "not enough data."

Labels for each specimen acquired were created listing the specimen number, binomial nomenclature, associated floral family, date acquired, environmental factors, notes on the specimen itself, latitude, longitude, and elevation of the specimen, and the county and state in which the specimen was found. Number assignations for individual specimens as seen in Table 2.3 and 2.4 are not the actual specimen numbers for the USCH. Specimens in bold in Table 2.3 are duplicate specimens. Duplicate specimens have been removed from Table 2.4 as native or non-native status is indicative of the species' binomial nomenclature, not of the number of specimens for each species.

Maps throughout this paper were created using ArcGIS® software by ESRI. The GPS data was used to map individual specimens by providing a point and linking each specimen's location, name, and familial status data to each point. A second map was created using the Area Calculation feature on the *eTrex* to show the spread of the invasive species *H. helix*. With the *eTrex*, spread of *H. helix* was able to be calculated by walking the entire perimeter of an area where the species was found.

Due to the restriction of the landscape and an inability to access vertical growth of *H. helix* with the area calculation function of the *eTrex*, the spatial extent of *H. helix* is measured as only ground cover growth. Because there was no historical data for comparison, this is the first known map showing the spatial distribution of such a species in the study area. This map was studied to see potential patterns in the spread and utilized to calculate a percentage of coverage of *H. helix* in the AOI.

Information of the soil type of the AOI was garnered from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Web Soil Survey website at <u>http://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov/</u> on November 18, 2014. Marvin Brown is attributed with producing the *Custom Soil Source Report for Richland County, South Carolina* and for creating Figure 2.9 with ArcMap.

## 2.4 Results

This study yielded 178 total specimens, 53 which were duplicates of species already identified from the AOI in this study. There were 125 different species found, including 23 monocots, 99 dicots, and 3 gymnosperms (Figure 2.4). Duplicate specimens, though found in different locations of the study area from specimens of the same name, are not included in any graphical representations, which are to display the different species collected. Information on duplicate specimens is addressed later. Comparing the 125 non-duplicated specimens from this study to the USCH database specimen records (Table 2.2), there are 33 specimens from this study that have already been recorded in the database. Dicots composed 79%, monocots 18%, and gymnosperms 3% of the 125 non-duplicated specimens.

The three largest dicot families found in the study area were Asteraceae, Fabaceae, and Rosaceae, with 38%, 20%, and 18% of the 79% of dicot specimens, respectively (Figure 2.5). Three other families had at least three or more specimens. Families not included in Figure 2.5 because only one species was present were: Adoxaceae, Altingiaceae, Amaranthaceae, Anacardiaceae, Annonaceae, Apiaceae, Araliaceae, Betulaceae, Bignoniaceae, Boraginaceae, Campanulaceae, Caprifoliaceae, Convolvulaceae, Cornaceae, Elaeagnaceae, Ericaceae, Gelsemiaceae, Geraniaceae, Hypericaceae, Juglandaceae, Linderniaceae, Malvaceae, Menispermaceae, Oxalidaceae, Papaveraceae, Phytolaccaceae, Platanaceae, Ranunculaceae, Santalaceae, Styracaceae, and Urticaceae. In addition, families not included in Figure 2.5 because only two species were present were: Acanthaceae, Berberidaceae, Brassicaceae, Caryophyllaceae, Fagaceae, Lamiaceae, Oleaceae, Polygonaceae, Rubiaceae, Sapindaceae, Solanaceae, Ulmaceae, Verbenaceae, and Violaceae.

Of the monocots collected in the study area, the families Poaceae, Commelinaceae, and Cyperaceae included the most non-duplicated monocot species with 31%, 18%, and 18% respectively (Figure 2.6). Specimens were collected for six additional monocot families. All monocot families are represented in Figure 2.6. The three gymnosperms collected during field work were *Asplenium platyneuron*, *Polystichum acrostichoides*, and *Pinus taeda*, which are in the families Aspleniaceae, Dryopteridaceae, and Pinaceae, respectively.

Of the 125 non-duplicated specimens, 91 (73%) were native species and 34 (27%) were non-native species (Figure 2.7). All native species were identified as common. Of the 34 non-native species identified, 17 (50%) were introduced, 10 (29%) were invasive, and 7 (21%) were naturalized (Figure 2.8).

Individual locations for each of the 178 specimens collected are shown in Figure 2.9. The overall survey documents the species present in the area. Data in this map includes duplicate specimens. The specimen data points appear in Figure 2.9 in clumps and spread out along the AOI. This occurred because it was not the intention of the survey to collect many duplicates of species, but rather to gather specimens of different species. After the beginning of the survey and toward the middle of the AOI mostly

duplicate species of those already found were present. As seen in the map, this changed toward the end of the AOI where more new specimens were located.

Data was also acquired to calculate the spatial extent of the invasive species, *H. helix*. Because there was only one specimen of *H. helix* found in the USCH database records, no historical spatial extent could be determined to compare to the data collected during this survey. The current spread of *H. helix* within the AOI as calculated with the area perimeter function of the Garmin *eTrex* utilized during the survey process is indicated in Figure 2.10, with polygons showing the area covered and colors indicating ranges of spatial extent. Based on the total area of the AOI, 52.9 acres (21.4 ha) and the total area of *H. helix* coverage (11.65 ha), the percent of the AOI covered by *H. helix* growth was 54%. Comparing the disturbed habitats of the northern and southern portions of the AOI, *H. helix* is more abundant in the southern section than the northern portion (Figure 2.10). Though the northern portion contains less acreage, the southern section contains a greater total coverage of *H. helix*.

Red represents the smallest area covered in square meters of *H. helix*, ranging from 8.4 to 74 m<sup>2</sup>. Following red, orange shows a range of 74 to 245 m<sup>2</sup>. Next is yellow with 245 to 1267 m<sup>2</sup>. Lime green displays 1267 to 2251 m<sup>2</sup>. Furthermore, green shows a range of 2251 to 4752 m<sup>2</sup>. Light blue contains 4752 to 8071 m<sup>2</sup>. Lastly, blue represents the largest tracks of coverage with 8071 to 29800 m<sup>2</sup>.

## **2.5 Discussion**

The humid, subtropical climate of Columbia, South Carolina provides thriving habitats for monocots, dicots, and gymnosperms; therefore, the variety of specimens acquired (as seen in Figures 2.4, 2.5, and 2.6) was anticipated. It is important to take a

baseline species survey of the biodiversity of the flora in an area to monitor future effects of non-native species spread on an ecosystem. Results of this survey found a majority (73%) of the non-duplicated identified specimens to be native species, all of which were common to the area. Of the non-native species, 17 (50%) were introduced, 10 (29%) were invasive, and 7 (21%) were naturalized species. Although these numbers were not high, it is important to realize that a plant species currently categorized as 'introduced' or 'naturalized' can become invasive if the non-native habitat it is thriving in lacks competition or predators.

This survey found 10 individual invasive plant species in the AOI, which is only 8% of the total non-duplicated identified species. While this is not a large amount of invasive species presence, these numbers only represent individual plant species found in the area and not a spatial extent or count of individual plant specimens of these species. This was a population survey that intended to take representative specimens of species in the AOI. It is important to calculate the invasive species percentage to monitor any new species that may encroach upon the area with the disturbance from the City of Columbia's embankment plan.

Disturbance of ecosystems by invasive species can negatively affect biodiversity and ecosystem functions, as well as influence the economics and human health of nearby communities. The measure of disturbance is critical and even a little disturbance can lead to substantial changes, such as fragmentation and changes in available nutrients (Huennekee and Thomson 1995). For example, Larson (2003) conducted a study on invasive and native plant species in disturbed habitats and found that disturbance led to an earlier stage of plant succession, which allowed for the movement of invasive weeds

into the habitat. Furthermore, she indicated that disturbed habitats display a disruption in ecosystem structure and alterations in resources (e.g., the availability of nutrients and food) (Larson 2003). Human disturbances, such as building infrastructure, large-scale agriculture, and digging for resources in quarries are known as exogenous disturbances (Larson 2003). It was proposed that the presence of exogenous disturbances in habitats should be expected to result in the movement of plant species that are evolutionarily adapted to exploit such circumstances into the environment (Larson 2003).

Invasive plant species, such as *H. helix* are known for their abilities to take advantage of disturbances. Paulsen et al. (2010) studied the ability of H. helix to affect human health via contact dermatitis. *H. helix* has been reported as a cause of contact dermatitis since 1899, and it is believed that allergies from contact dermatitis are underdiagnosed because of a lack in viable patch test allergens. The common allergen in H. helix, falcarinol, was studied with patch testing over 16 years (Paulsen et al. 2010). Falcarinol is largely found in the ivy family Apiaceae and is detected in *H. helix* on the stalks, leaves, and roots. With more than 1% of falcarinol contained in the leaves, pruning plants in this family or handling them in any setting can result in sensitization in both children and adults. As a strong irritant, H. helix contains heredin, which aggravates mucosal surfaces in the nose and throat (Paulsen et al. 2010). Hands and/or forearms were recorded as the most common site of irritation. Because plants containing falcarinol are abundant and there was a large response of positive reactions during the patch testing, the authors suggested it be the next commercially available plant allergen to require further testing (Paulsen et al. 2010).

*H. helix* was chosen in this study to be a focus for a specific invasive plant species of concern to create a database of spatial extent. It inhabits a great expanse of the AOI as seen in Figure 2.10; 54% to be exact. While found in both large and small clumps on the ground, it also climbs mature trees (*Platanus occidentalis, Pinus* spp., *Quercus* spp., *Juglans nigra*) in the AOI and is located along major and minor pathways, whether the path is a paved sidewalk or trails throughout the wooded area.

During the field portion of this study it was particularly noticeable that *H. helix* grew densely in shaded areas. Comparing the disturbed habitats of the northern and southern portions of the AOI, *H. helix* was more abundant in the southern section where disturbance recently occurred approximately two years ago (Figure 2.10). This disturbance was part of the City of Columbia embankment plan and included the removal of all understory trees, woody vegetation, snags above six inches in diameter including the root ball, fallen trees, and diseased or damaged trees to leave only canopy trees. The northern portion, where disturbance occurred in the past and has been left undisturbed except for the occasional removal of snags and fallen trees, is greatly overwhelmed with *H. helix*. However, it is a smaller area than the southern section and the total *H. helix* is less profuse. The abundance of *H. helix* is a concern to the native plant population as it blankets large sections of the forest floor and stifles growth of herbaceous and shrub flora.

Procedures such as those enacted by the City of Columbia's plan to stabilize the canal embankment by removing species on the riverside embankment qualify as disturbances which allow for invasive plant species to exploit the circumstances of the cleared area. Without historical data, one cannot discern that these disturbances caused

the movement and growth of *H. helix* to expand into and throughout the AOI; however, it can be inferred from knowledge gleaned from studies like Larson (2003).

Because of its allergenic properties *H. helix* is also a human health issue. Many people frequently use the different pathways along and within the forest for exercise and fun with their children and pets. With such heavy traffic and the prevalence of *H. helix* throughout the AOI and along many pathways, as well as its known invasive ability to spread efficiently, the plant presents a problem of increased contact dermatitis to the human population. Therefore, it is critical that management of this invasive is a high priority for the City of Columbia as it adversely affects both plant and human populations.

Management of invasive species is critical to maintain proper ecosystem structure, which is composed of primary productivity, ecosystem services, predator/prey relationships, and food webs. According to the National Invasive Species Council (NISC) the first line of defense and primary focus is prevention by ensuring invasive species do not establish themselves in new habitats. Site managers and conservationists like to study potential conflicts between particular invasive and native species, especially species endemic to certain areas and ecosystems to allow for preventative measures to occur before biodiversity is threatened (Huennekee and Thomson 1995). Baker and Murray's (2012) study suggests that knowledge of invasive species locations and proper placement of barriers against invasive species spread can prevent the encroachment of such species into new habitats. However, Schlaepfer et al. (2011) creates an argument that all invasive species are not injurious to ecosystems.

Whether invasive species are damaging or beneficial to an ecosystem was not the question of this study. This study focused on creating a baseline survey of the species represented in the AOI and identifying each species as native or non-native, determining the distribution of *H. helix*, and visualizing comparisons between two varying levels of disturbed habitats in a portion of the Three Rivers Greenway. As a result, further study can be attributed to determining if the species interact well or if the flora of the area should be reestablished with a focus on native plant species as a restoration process that reduces, but does not eliminate non-native species and the planting of rare species, which is suggested to have a positive impact on utility (Martin and Blossey 2012).

This study highlighted the need for curated references for native and non-native species records. When researching individual specimens for division of native or non-native and the further subcategories of rare or common and invasive, naturalized, or introduced, it was obvious that there was a disconnect between available references that could provide information of the taxonomic levels of a species and whether or not a species was native or non-native, when it might have been introduced to a new area, or how long a species might have existed in an area without harming native flora and should in turn be termed naturalized. While it was easier to determine the native status of certain specimens, whether a specimen was just introduced or was indeed invasive or naturalized was harder to define. More plant surveys and further study of the specimens already housed in herbariums globally could help establish historical records of native species representation and the status of species not native to areas in which they are currently located.

By maintaining, improving, and augmenting specimens to herbariums like USCH, resources can be improved. With enhanced resources, studying the changing species in an area can provide insight on the management, evolution, and ecology of plant species and their habitats (Primack and Miller-Rushing 2009). In addition, studying changes in plant phenology, such as differences in flowering in the past and present years, through herbarium specimens can show alterations in climatic conditions (Primack and Miller-Rushing 2009). Herbaria house preserved taxonomic representations of species from their local area and globally. Evaluating such specimens can improve predications of species alteration in response to climate change, helping to identify species that will survive or face crises which is a chief conservation priority (Primack and Miller-Rushing 2009). Furthermore, herbaria are important teaching tools for informing the public about their local biodiversity and the effects of climate change on their environment and can combine scientific research and education by using native and invasive specimens in exhibitions and presentations (Primack and Miller-Rushing 2009).

	Important Terms											
Term	Definition	Example (as seen in Table 2.2)										
dicot	an angiosperm plant with net-like leaf venation and reproductive parts in groups of four or five (Weakley 2012)	Liquidambar styraciflua										
introduced	plants that are not native to the area where they are found ("Introduced, Invasive, and Noxious Plants" 2014)	Youngia japonica										
invasive	any species, which is non-native and when introduced to an area does or has the ability to inflict harm on the environment, the economy, or to human health (Martin and Blossey 2012).	Lonicera japonica										
monocot	an angiosperm plant with parallel leaf venation and reproductive parts in groups of three (Weakley 2012)	Smilax glauca										
native	plants that grow naturally and are indigenous to the area where they are found	Cornus stricta										
naturalized	plants that are not native to the area where they are found, but behave like native species, have existed in a non-native habitat for some time, and do not exhibit invasive characteristics (UC-IPM 2014)	Viola arvensis										
noxious	a legal term used by federal/state regulatory agencies for plants that can or do cause threatening/harmful actions to agriculture or wildlands (UC-IPM 2014)	Clematis terniflora										

Table 2.1. Important Terms. Definitions to help understand the terminology used in this study.

USCH Number	Family	Genus	Species	Subspecies
107945	Poaceae	Elymus	virginicus	
107946	Verbenaceae	Verbena	brasiliensis	
107947	Bignoniaceae	Catalpa	bignonioides	
108001	Asteraceae	Mikania	scandens	
108002	Caprifoliaceae	Sambucus	canadensis	
108003	Fabaceae	Mimosa	microphylla	
108004	Fabaceae	Sesbania	punicea	
108005	Fabaceae	Albizia	julibrissin	
108006	Passifloraceae	Passiflora	incarnata	
108007	Cornaceae	Cornus	stricta	
111215	Potamogetonaceae	Potamogeton	spp.	
111216	Amaranthaceae	Amaranthus	tuberculatus	
111217	Ulmaceae	Ulmus	americana	
112751	Fagaceae	Castanea	dentata	
112936	Fabaceae	Apios	americana	
68275	Asteraceae	Helianthus	tuberosus	
69489	Apiaceae	Ptilimnium	capillaceum	
78357	Urticaceae	Boehmeria	cylindrica	
78358	Cyperaceae	Carex	gigantea	
78399	Asteraceae	Pluchea	camphorata	
78400	Rubiaceae	Cephalanthus	occidentalis	
78401	Poaceae	Pennisetum	glaucum	
78403	Onagraceae	Ludwigia	virgata	
78404	Onagraceae	Ludwigia	alterniflora	
78405	Poaceae	Panicum	rigidulum	var. <i>rigidulum</i>
78406	Onagraceae	Ludwigia	decurrens	
79353	Anacardiaceae	Toxicodendron	radicans	
79354	Vitaceae	Ampelopsis	cordata	
79355	Nyssaceae	Nyssa	biflora	
79356	Fagaceae	Quercus	nigra	
79357	Vitaceae	Ampelopsis	arborea	
79358	Fabaceae	Lespedeza	cuneata	
79359	Clusiaceae	Hypericum	gentianoides	
79360	Fagaceae	Quercus	lyrata	
79361	Scrophulariaceae	Lindernia	dubia	var. anagallidea
79362	Asteraceae	Rudbeckia	laciniata	
79364	Campanulaceae	Lobelia	cardinalis	
79365	Fabaceae	Apios	americana	
79366	Ranunculaceae	Clematis	terniflora	

Table 2.2. USCH Database Specimen Records. Database records acquired from Specify 6 and USCH for the Riverfront Park area. This table is 4 pages long.

<b>USCH Number</b>	Family	Genus	Species	Subspecies
79367	Violaceae	Viola	affinis	
79368	Poaceae	Setaria	pumila	ssp. pallidifusca
79369	Asteraceae	Elephantopus	tomentosus	
79371	Vitaceae	Vitis	rotundifolia	
79372	Caprifoliaceae	Lonicera	japonica	
79373	Passifloraceae	Passiflora	lutea	
79376	Grossulariaceae	Itea	virginica	
79384	Anacardiaceae	Toxicodendron	radicans	
79408	Campanulaceae	Lobelia	elongata	
79581	Asteraceae	Elephantopus	tomentosus	
79583	Asteraceae	Symphyotrichum	pilosum	var. <i>pilosum</i>
79585	Fabaceae	Apios	americana	
79586	Asteraceae	Vernonia	noveboracensis	
79588	Asteraceae	Boltonia	caroliniana	
79589	Hydrophyllaceae	Hydrolea	quadrivalvis	
79590	Pontederiaceae	Pontederia	cordata	
79591	Apiaceae	Hydrocotyle	umbellata	
79593	Caprifoliaceae	Sambucus	canadensis	
79594	Scrophulariaceae	Mimulus	ringens	
79595	Ulmaceae	Ulmus	alata	
79598	Magnoliaceae	Magnolia	grandiflora	
79623	Cyperaceae	Scirpus	cyperinus	
79624	Commelinaceae	Commelina	virginica	
79625	Cyperaceae	Rhynchospora	corniculata	
79626	Cornaceae	Cornus	stricta	
79627	Bignoniaceae	Bignonia	capreolata	
79628	Poaceae	Elymus	virginicus	
79629	Oleaceae	Ligustrum	sinense	
79630	Araliaceae	Hedera	helix	
79631	Aquifoliaceae	llex	cornuta	
79632	Poaceae	Dichanthelium	dichotomum	
79633	Hamamelidaceae	Liquidambar	styraciflua	
79634	Asteraceae	Elephantopus	tomentosus	
79636	Rosaceae	Prunus	caroliniana	
79637	Bromeliaceae	Tillandsia	usneoides	
79902	Ulmaceae	Ulmus	americana	
79903	Rosaceae	Aphanes	australis	
80128	Cuscutaceae	Cuscuta	compacta	
80129	Amaranthaceae	Alternanthera	philoxeroides	

USCH Number	Family	Genus	Species	Subspecies
80130	Clusiaceae	Hypericum	mutilum	
80132	Pontederiaceae	Pontederia	cordata	
80133	Amaranthaceae	Alternanthera	philoxeroides	
80134	Brassicaceae	Lepidium	virginicum	
80135	Platanaceae	Platanus	occidentalis	
80136	Betulaceae	Betula	nigra	
80137	Acanthaceae	Justicia	americana	
80443	Cyperaceae	Carex	vulpinoidea	
80464	Poaceae	Echinochloa	crus-galli	
80465	Equisetaceae	Equisetum	hyemale	
80466	Acanthaceae	Ruellia	caroliniensis	
80468	Cornaceae	Cornus	stricta	
80554	Scrophulariaceae	Mimulus	ringens	
80555	Ranunculaceae	Clematis	virginiana	
80556	Caprifoliaceae	Viburnum	dentatum	
80558	Fabaceae	Strophostyles	helvula	
80559	Buddlejaceae	Polypremum	procumbens	
80560	Poaceae	Panicum	rigidulum	
80561	Plantaginaceae	Plantago	lanceolata	
80562	Chenopodiaceae	Dysphania	ambrosioides	
80564	Scrophulariaceae	Mecardonia	acuminata	
80565	Euphorbiaceae	Acalypha	rhomboidea	
80566	Cucurbitaceae	Sicyos	angulatus	
80568	Asteraceae	Conyza	canadensis	
80569	Platanaceae	Platanus	occidentalis	
80585	Cyperaceae	Rhynchospora	spp.	
80587	Typhaceae	Typha	latifolia	
80588	Apiaceae	Ptilimnium	capillaceum	
80588	Apiaceae	Ptilimnium	capillaceum	
80589	Hydrocharitaceae	Egeria	densa	
80646	Potamogetonaceae	Potamogeton	diversifolius	
81074	Poaceae	Echinochloa	crus-galli	
81122	Onagraceae	Oenothera	perennis	
81123	Cucurbitaceae	Cucumis	sativus	
81124	Asteraceae	Smallanthus	uvedalius	
81125	Convolvulaceae	Calystegia	sepium	
81126	Poaceae	Tripsacum	dactyloides	
81127	Asteraceae	Eupatorium	serotinum	
81128	Smilacaceae	Smilax	smallii	

USCH Number	Family	Genus	Species	Subspecies
81130	Vitaceae	Ampelopsis	cordata	
81131	Asteraceae	Conyza	bonariensis	
81132	Aceraceae	Acer	negundo	
81133	Oleaceae	Fraxinus	americana	
81134	Campanulaceae	Lobelia	cardinalis	
81135	Commelinaceae	Commelina	communis	
81136	Fabaceae	Amorpha	fruticosa	
81137	Cornaceae	Cornus	stricta	
81138	Clusiaceae	Hypericum	mutilum	
81184	Onagraceae	Ludwigia	palustris	
81185	Brassicaceae	Cardamine	pensylvanica	
81607	Liliaceae	Hymenocallis	caroliniana	
82784	Magnoliaceae	Liriodendron	tulipifera	
85382	Rosaceae	Rosa	spp.	
89208	Betulaceae	Betula	nigra	
89733	Caryophyllaceae	Arenaria	serpyllifolia	
89735	Brassicaceae	Draba	brachycarpa	
89736	Caryophyllaceae	Cerastium	glomeratum	
89737	Poaceae	Poa	annua	
96334	Asclepiadaceae	Matelea	gonocarpos	

Table 2.3. Specimen Identifications and Localities. Information identifying each individual specimen, their status as a monocot, dicot, or gymnosperm, their latitude/longitude, associated transect number, and elevation. Species in bold are duplicates from this study. This table is 6 pages long.

	Genus	Species	Subspecies	Common Name	Family	Monocot	Dicot	Gymnosperm	Transect	Latitude	Longitude	Elevation
1	Platanus	occidentalis		Sycamore	Platanaceae		✓		T1	N 34°01.987'	W 081°04.174'	153 ft
2	Cephalanthus	occidentalis		Common buttonbush	Rubiaceae		✓		T1	N 34°01.986'	W 081°04.178'	168 ft
3	Dichanthelium	polyanthes		Small-fruited witch grass	Poaceae	✓			T1	N 34°01.983'	W 081°04.174'	158 ft
4	Sambucus	nigra	ssp. canadensis	American black elderberry	Adoxaceae		✓		T1	N 34°01.986'	W 081°04.178'	156 ft
5	Chasmanthium	latifolium		Indian woodoats	Poaceae	✓			T1	N 34°01.984'	W 081°04.173'	162 ft
6	Dichanthelium	polyanthes		Small-fruited witch grass	Poaceae	✓			T1	N 34°01.984'	W 081°04.168'	183 ft
7	Cocculus	carolinus		Carolina coralbead	Menispermaceae		✓		T1	N 34°01.994'	W 081°04.151'	210 ft
8	Sida	rhombifolia		Cuban jute	Malvaceae		✓		T1	N 34°01.997'	W 081°04.155'	201 ft
9	Ligustrum	sinense		Chinese Privet	Oleaceae		✓		T1	N 34°01.988'	W 081°04.155'	218 ft
10	Ligustrum	japonicum		Japonese Privet	Oleaceae		✓		T1	N 34°01.991'	W 081°04.155'	205 ft
11	Liquidambar	styraciflua		Sweetgum	Altingiaceae		✓		T1	N 34°01.991'	W 081°04.155'	205 ft
12	Youngia	japonica		Oriental false hawksbeard	Asteraceae		✓		T1	N 34°01.986'	W 081°04.156'	212 ft
13	Callicarpa	americana		American beautyberry	Lamiaceae		✓		T18	N 34°01.904'	W 081°04.150'	100 ft
14	Smallanthus	uvedalia		Hairy leafcup	Asteraceae		✓		T15	N 34°01.917'	W 081°04.156'	171 ft
15	Albizia	julibrissin		Mimosa	Fabaceae		✓		Т9	N 34°01.947'	W 081°04.154'	191 ft
16	Clematis	terniflora		Sweet autumn virginsbower	Ranunculaceae		✓		T1	N 34°01.982'	W 081°04.156'	176 ft
17	Ampelopsis	arborea		Peppervine	Vitaceae		✓		T1	N 34°01.987'	W 081°04.158'	150 ft
18	Ampelopsis	cordata		Heartleaf peppervine	Vitaceae		✓		T1	N 34°01.987'	W 081°04.158'	150 ft
19	Juncus	bufonius		Toad rush	Juncaceae	$\checkmark$			T1	N 34°01.991'	W 081°04.177'	149 ft
20	Cocculus	carolinus		Carolina coralbead	Menispermaceae		✓		T2	N 34°01.979'	W 081°04.155'	175 ft
21	Clematis	terniflora		Sweet autumn virginsbower	Ranunculaceae		✓		T3	N 34°01.977'	W 081°04.156'	180 ft
22	Lonicera	japonica		Japanese honeysuckle	Caprifoliaceae		✓		T3	N 34°01.977'	W 081°04.155'	171 ft
23	Juglans	nigra		Black walnut	Juglandaceae		✓		Т9	N 34°01.949'	W 081°04.166'	171 ft
24	Cornus	foemina		Swamp dogwood	Cornaceae		✓		T15	N 34°01.916'	W 081°04.173'	168 ft
25	llex	decidua		Possumhaw	Aquifoliaceae		✓		T12	N 34°01.930'	W 081°04.175'	144 ft
26	Acer	negundo		Boxelder	Sapindaceae		✓		T10	N 34°01.939'	W 081°04.179'	131 ft
27	Smilax	glauca		Cat greenbrier	Smilacaceae	✓			T10	N 34°01.941'	W 081°04.175'	142 ft
28	Carpinus	caroliniana		American hornbeam	Betulaceae		✓		T6	N 34°01.963'	W 081°04.164'	136 ft
29	Commelina	virginica		Virginia dayflower	Commelinaceae	$\checkmark$			T3	N 34°01.975'	W 081°04.169'	156 ft
30	Persicaria	setacea		Bog smartweed	Polygonaceae		✓		T1	N 34°01.991'	W 081°04.177'	149 ft

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31	Cyperus	drummondii		Drummond's sedge	Cyperaceae	✓			T1	N 34°01.991'	W 081°04.177'	149 ft
32	Lindernia	dubia		Yellow-seed false pimpernel	Linderniaceae		>		T1	N 34°01.991'	W 081°04.177'	149 ft
33	Verbesina	occidentalis		Yellow crownbeard	Asteraceae		>		T1	N 34°01.999'	W 081°04.165'	173 ft
34	Clematis	terniflora		Sweet autumn virginsbower	Ranunculaceae		>		T5	N 34°01.967'	W 081°04.156'	168 ft
35	Elephantopus	tomentosus		Hairy elephant foot	Asteraceae		>		T19	N 34°01.896'	W 081°04.155'	193 ft
36	Verbesina	occidentalis		Yellow crownbeard	Asteraceae		>		T23	N 34°01.872'	W 081°04.155'	181 ft
37	Vitis	rotundifolia		Muscadine	Vitaceae		>		T25	N 34°01.864'	W 081°04.151'	199 ft
38	Laportea	canadensis		Canadian woodnettle	Urticaceae		>		T24	N 34°01.866'	W 081°04.150'	211 ft
39	Tradescantia	hirsuticaulis		Hairystem spiderwort	Commelinaceae	✓			T26	N 34°01.858'	W 081°04.150'	149 ft
40	Clematis	terniflora		Sweet autumn virginsbower	Ranunculaceae		✓		T3	N 34°01.977'	W 081°04.156'	180 ft
41	Verbesina	occidentalis		Yellow crownbeard	Asteraceae		$\checkmark$		T25	N 34°01.864'	W 081°04.151'	175 ft
42	Dicliptera	brachiata		Branched foldwing	Acanthaceae		✓		T29	N 34°01.830'	W 081°04.140'	200 ft
43	Laportea	canadensis		Canadian woodnettle	Urticaceae		✓		T30	N 34°01.823'	W 081°04.139'	159 ft
44	Hedera	helix		English ivy	Araliaceae		✓		T31	N 34°01.815'	W 081°04.144'	175 ft
45	Callicarpa	americana		American beautyberry	Lamiaceae		✓		T34	N 34°01.790'	W 081°04.139'	170 ft
46	Solidago	leavenworthii		Leavenworth's goldenrod	Asteraceae		✓		T39	N 34°01.731'	W 081°04.110'	191 ft
47	Tillandsia	usneoides		Spanish moss	Bromeliaceae	✓			T53	N 34°01.610'	W 081°04.129'	145 ft
48	Asimina	triloba		Pawpaw	Annonaceae		✓		T56	N 34°01.596'	W 081°04.125'	137 ft
49	Viola	arvensis		European field pansy	Violaceae		✓		T43	N 34°01.712'	W 081°04.120'	278 ft
50	Vicia	sativa	ssp. <i>nigra</i>	Garden vetch	Fabaceae		✓		T14	N 34°01.919'	W 081°04.151'	214 ft
51	Ligustrum	japonicum		Japanese Privet	Oleaceae		~		T8	N 34°01.950'	W 081°04.159'	177 ft
52	Trifolium	campestre		Low hop clover	Fabaceae		✓		T8	N 34°01.950'	W 081°04.155'	180 ft
53	Роа	chapmaniana		Chapman's bluegrass	Poaceae	✓			T8	N 34°01.951'	W 081°04.157'	174 ft
54	Gamochaeta	purpurea		Spoon-leaf purple everlasting	Asteraceae		~		Т8	N 34°01.951'	W 081°04.157'	174 ft
55	Sonchus	asper		Spiny sowthistle	Asteraceae		✓		Т8	N 34°01.951'	W 081°04.157'	174 ft
56	Taraxacum	erythrospermum		Rock dandelion	Asteraceae		✓		T10	N 34°01.944'	W 081°04.153'	176 ft
57	Cercis	canadensis	var. canadensis	Eastern redbud	Fabaceae		~		Т9	N 34°01.948'	W 081°04.162'	177 ft
58	Quercus	nigra		Water oak	Fagaceae		✓		T11	N 34°01.932'	W 081°04.156'	163 ft
59	Vicia	caroliniana		Carolina vetch	Fabaceae		~		T11	N 34°01.932'	W 081°04.154'	171 ft
60	Galium	aparine		Stickywilly	Rubiaceae		✓		T11	N 34°01.932'	W 081°04.154'	171 ft

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61	Vicia	sativa	ssp. <i>nigra</i>	Garden vetch	Fabaceae		~		T11	N 34°01.932'	W 081°04.154'	171 ft
62	Liquidambar	styraciflua		Sweetgum	Altingiaceae		~		T10	N 34°01.939'	W 081°04.154'	163 ft
63	Prunus	serotina		Black cherry	Rosaceae		~		T14	N 34°01.923'	W 081°04.151'	169 ft
64	Geranium	carolinianum		Carolina geranium	Geraniaceae		>		T14	N 34°01.923'	W 081°04.151'	169 ft
65	Lamium	amplexicaule		Henbit deadnettle	Lamiaceae		~		T14	N 34°01.923'	W 081°04.151'	169 ft
66	Veronica	hederifolia		Ivyleaf speedwell	Plantaginaceae		~		T14	N 34°01.923'	W 081°04.151'	169 ft
67	Cardamine	hirsuta		Hairy bittercress	Brassicaceae		~		T22	N 34°01.878'	W 081°04.133'	171 ft
68	Nemophila	aphylla		Smallflower baby blue eyes	Boraginaceae		~		T22	N 34°01.879'	W 081°04.133'	170 ft
69	Rubus	argutus		Sawtooth blackberry	Rosaceae		~		T22	N 34°01.879'	W 081°04.133'	170 ft
70	Duchesnea	indica		Indian strawberry	Rosaceae		✓		T24	N 34°01.871'	W 081°04.129'	168 ft
71	Carex	festucacea		Fescue sedge	Cyperaceae	✓			T24	N 34°01.871'	W 081°04.129'	168 ft
72	Carex	amphibola		Eastern narrowleaf sedge	Cyperaceae	✓			T24	N 34°01.870'	W 081°04.126'	176 ft
73	Rumex	crispus		Curly dock	Polygonaceae		√		T24	N 34°01.870'	W 081°04.126'	176 ft
74	Carex	flaccosperma		Thinfruit sedge	Cyperaceae	✓			T24	N 34°01.870'	W 081°04.126'	176 ft
75	Youngia	japonica		Oriental false hawksbeard	Asteraceae		$\checkmark$		T1	N 34°01.981'	W 081°04.154'	176 ft
76	Geranium	carolinianum		Carolina geranium	Geraniaceae		√		T1	N 34°01.981'	W 081°04.154'	176 ft
77	Rubus	trivialis		Southern dewberry	Rosaceae		$\checkmark$		T1	N 34°01.981'	W 081°04.154'	176 ft
78	Veronica	peregrina		Purslane speedwell	Plantaginaceae		$\checkmark$		T1	N 34°01.981'	W 081°04.154'	176 ft
79	Oxalis	stricta		Common yellow oxalis	Oxalidaceae		✓		Т8	N 34°01.951'	W 081°04.156'	194 ft
80	Hypochaeris	glabra		Smooth cat's ear	Asteraceae		√		T10	N 34°01.944'	W 081°04.154'	185 ft
81	Duchesnea	indica		Indian strawberry	Rosaceae		✓		T26	N 34°01.859'	W 081°04.124'	184 ft
82	Rubus	trivialis		Southern dewberry	Rosaceae		√		T26	N 34°01.860'	W 081°04.125'	205 ft
83	Krigia	dandelion		Potato dwarf dandelion	Asteraceae		$\checkmark$		T29	N 34°01.835'	W 081°04.118'	213 ft
84	Youngia	japonica		Oriental false hawksbeard	Asteraceae		~		T29	N 34°01.830'	W 081°04.118'	213 ft
85	Veronica	hederifolia		Ivyleaf speedwell	Plantaginaceae		✓		T34	N 34°01.789'	W 081°04.116'	183 ft
86	Prunus	caroliniana		Carolina laurel cherry	Rosaceae		✓		T50	N 34°01.641'	W 081°04.097'	179 ft
87	Halesia	carolina		Carolina silverbell	Styracaceae		~		T20	N 34°01.889'	W 081°04.152'	163 ft
88	Nemophila	aphylla		Smallflower baby blue eyes	Boraginaceae		✓		T34	N 34°01.796'	W 081°04.140'	163 ft
89	Osmorhiza	longistylis		Longstyle sweetroot	Apiaceae		~		T35	N 34°01.783'	W 081°04.139'	136 ft
90	Cornus	foemina		Stiff dogwood	Cornaceae		~		T21	N 34°01.883'	W 081°04.152'	165 ft

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91	Podophyllum	peltatum		Mayapple	Berberidaceae		✓		T42	N 34°01.715'	W 081°04.129'	178 ft
92	Elymus	virginicus	var. virginicus	Virginia wildrye	Poaceae	✓			T1	N 34°01.991'	W 081°04.177'	149 ft
93	Youngia	japonica		Oriental false hawksbeard	Asteraceae		✓		T44	N 34°01.699'	W 081°04.135'	159 ft
94	Oxalis	stricta		Common yellow oxalis	Oxalidaceae		~		T39	N 34°01.735'	W 081°04.113'	150 ft
95	Plantago	virginica		Virginia plantain	Plantaginaceae		✓		T39	N 34°01.735'	W 081°04.113'	150 ft
96	Elaeagnus	umbellata	var. <i>parvifolia</i>	Autumn olive	Elaeagnaceae		✓		T12	N 34°01.930'	W 081°04.169'	161 ft
97	Роа	autumnalis		Autumn bluegrass	Poaceae	✓			T18	N 34°01.907'	W 081°04.156'	168 ft
98	Sparganium	americanum		American bur-reed	Typhaceae	✓			T26	N 34°01.854'	W 081°04.147'	205 ft
99	Bignonia	capreolata		Crossvine	Bignoniaceae		✓		T29	N 34°01.831'	W 081°04.144'	174 ft
100	Packera	glabella		Butterweed	Asteraceae		✓		T29	N 34°01.831'	W 081°04.144'	174 ft
101	Chenopodium	album		Lambsquarters	Amaranthaceae		$\checkmark$		T117	N 34°00.743'	W 081°03.531'	176 ft
102	Osmorhiza	longistylis		Longstyle sweetroot	Apiaceae		$\checkmark$		T35	N 34°01.785'	W 081°04.116'	179 ft
103	Lonicera	japonica		Japanese honeysuckle	Caprifoliaceae		✓		T55	N 34°01.603'	W 081°04.125'	203 ft
104	Hypericum	hypericoides	ssp. hypericoides	St. Andrew's cross	Hypericaceae		✓		T105	N 34°00.922'	W 081°03.617'	155 ft
105	Trifolium	incarnatum		Crimson clover	Fabaceae		✓		T35	N 34°01.785'	W 081°04.116'	179 ft
106	Trifolium	campestre		Low hop clover	Fabaceae		✓		T35	N 34°01.785'	W 081°04.125'	179 ft
107	Geranium	carolinianum		Carolina geranium	Geraniaceae		✓		T35	N 34°01.785'	W 081°04.125'	179 ft
108	Duchesnea	indica		Indian strawberry	Rosaceae		✓		T35	N 34°01.785'	W 081°04.125'	179 ft
109	Ligustrum	sinense		Chinese Privet	Oleaceae		✓		Т9	N 34°01.948'	W 081°04.162'	178 ft
110	Nuttallanthus	canadensis		Canada toadflax	Plantaginaceae		✓		T35	N 34°01.785'	W 081°04.125'	179 ft
111	Cercis	canadensis	var. canadensis	Eastern redbud	Fabaceae		✓		Т9	N 34°01.948'	W 081°04.162'	177 ft
112	Symphyotrichum	pilosum	var. <i>pilosum</i>	Hairy white oldfield aster	Asteraceae		✓		T131	N 34°00.585'	W 081°03.502'	174 ft
113	Triodanis	perfoliata		Clasping Venus' looking-glass	Campanulaceae		✓		T35	N 34°01.783'	W 081°04.118'	156 ft
114	Veronica	hederifolia		Ivyleaf speedwell	Plantaginaceae		✓		T35	N 34°01.783'	W 081°04.118'	156 ft
115	Rumex	crispus		Curly dock	Polygonaceae		✓		T39	N 34°01.740'	W 081°04.113'	156 ft
116	Sisyrinchium	atlanticum		Eastern blue-eyed grass	Iridaceae	✓			T24	N 34°01.866'	W 081°04.124'	201 ft
117	Vicia	cracca		Bird vetch	Fabaceae		✓		T48	N 34°01.664'	W 081°04.104'	146 ft
118	Solanum	pseudocapsicum		Jerusalem cherry	Solanaceae		✓		T61	N 34°01.511'	W 081°04.104'	153 ft
119	Nandina	domestica		Sacred bamboo	Berberidaceae		✓		T86	N 34°01.317'	W 081°03.984'	162 ft
120	Sambucus	nigra	ssp. canadensis	American black elderberry	Adoxaceae		✓		T91	N 34°01.257'	W 081°03.791'	157 ft

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121	Sida	rhombifolia		Cuban jute	Malvaceae		✓		T24	N 34°01.866'	W 081°04.124'	207 ft
122	Commelina	communis		Asiatic dayflower	Commelinaceae	✓			T24	N 34°01.866'	W 081°04.124'	201 ft
123	Solanum	carolinense		Carolina horsenettle	Solanaceae		✓		T91	N 34°01.244'	W 081°04.772'	155 ft
124	Verbena	bonariensis		Purpletop vervain	Verbenaceae		✓		T37	N 34°01.767'	W 081°04.113'	180 ft
125	Lactuca	biennis		Tall blue lettuce	Asteraceae		✓		T34	N 34°01.791'	W 081°04.113'	180 ft
126	Vitis	rotundifolia		Muscadine	Vitaceae		✓		T14	N 34°01.920'	W 081°04.145'	240 ft
127	Ligustrum	japonicum		Japanese Privet	Oleaceae		$\checkmark$		T14	N 34°01.920'	W 081°04.145'	240 ft
128	Lespedeza	cuneata		Sericea lespedeza	Fabaceae		✓		T130	N 34°00.586'	W 081°03.504'	179 ft
129	Vaccinium	corymbosum		Highbush blueberry	Ericaceae		$\checkmark$		T129	N 34°00.598'	W 081°03.503'	166 ft
130	Ilex	verticillata		Common winterberry	Aquifoliaceae		$\checkmark$		T129	N 34°00.607'	W 081°03.499'	166 ft
131	Toxicodendron	radicans		Poison ivy	Anacardiaceae		$\checkmark$		T128	N 34°00.620'	W 081°03.499'	149 ft
132	Halesia	carolina		Carolina silverbell	Styracaceae		✓		T126	N 34°00.637'	W 081°03.502'	155 ft
133	Elaeagnus	umbellata	var. <i>parvifolia</i>	Autumn olive	Elaeagnaceae		✓		T125	N 34°00.644'	W 081°03.505'	144 ft
134	Commelina	virginica		Virginia dayflower	Commelinaceae	✓			T25	N 34°01.861'	W 081°04.123'	222 ft
135	Smilax	smallii		Lanceleaf greenbrier	Smilacaceae	✓			T131	N 34°00.580'	W 081°03.497'	199 ft
136	Lepidium	virginicum		Virginia pepperweed	Brassicaceae		$\checkmark$		T31	N 34°01.810'	W 081°04.118'	197 ft
137	Duchesnea	indica		Indian strawberry	Rosaceae		✓		T31	N 34°01.810'	W 081°04.118'	197 ft
138	Tradescantia	hirsuticaulis		Hairystem spiderwort	Commelinaceae	✓			T117	N 34°00.744'	W 081°03.538'	162 ft
139	Asplenium	platyneuron		Ebony spleenwort	Aspleniaceae			$\checkmark$	T116	N 34°00.759'	W 081°03.540'	153 ft
140	Polystichum	acrostichoides		Christmas fern	Dryopteridaceae			$\checkmark$	T114	N 34°00.781'	W 081°03.556'	170 ft
141	Nandina	domestica		Sacred bamboo	Berberidaceae		✓		T111	N 34°00.820'	W 081°03.571'	124 ft
142	Ilex	cornuta		Chinese holly	Aquifoliaceae		✓		T108	N 34°00.862'	W 081°03.587'	132 ft
143	Іротоеа	purpurea		Common morning-glory	Convolvulaceae		✓		T105		W 081°03.610'	132 ft
144	Phytolacca	americana		American pokeweed	Phytolaccaceae		✓		T103	N 34°00.955'	W 081°03.620'	137 ft
145	Ruellia	caroliniensis		Carolina wild petunia	Acanthaceae		✓		T100	N 34°01.041'	W 081°03.642'	150 ft
146	Conoclinium	coelestinum		Blue mistflower	Asteraceae		✓		T105	N 34°00.922'	W 081°03.617'	155 ft
147	Lonicera	japonica		Japanese honeysuckle	Caprifoliaceae		✓		T103	N 34°00.953'	W 081°03.619'	157 ft
148	Andropogon	virginicus		Broomsedge bluestem	Poaceae	✓			T104	N 34°00.952'	W 081°03.620'	159 ft
149	Asimina	triloba		Pawpaw	Annonaceae		✓		T53	N 34°01.611'	W 081°04.132'	179 ft
150	Clematis	terniflora		Sweet autumn virginsbower	Ranunculaceae		✓		T55	N 34°01.603'	W 081°04.085'	170 ft

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151	Pinus	taeda		Loblolly pine	Pinaceae			~	T48	N 34°01.665'	W 081°04.138'	226 ft
152	Phoradendron	serotinum		Oak mistletoe	Santalaceae		~		T53	N 34°01.619'	W 081°04.128'	188 ft
153	Stellaria	media		Chickweed	Caryophyllaceae		✓		T1	N 34°01.998'	W 081°04.162'	142 ft
154	Cerastium	semidecandrum		Five-stamen chickweed	Caryophyllaceae		~		T1	N 34°01.998'	W 081°04.162'	142 ft
155	Pinus	taeda		Loblolly pine	Pinaceae		✓	✓	T1	N 34°01.997'	W 081°04.158'	154 ft
156	Ulmus	americana		American elm	Ulmaceae		~		T1	N 34°01.993'	W 081°04.164'	155 ft
157	Verbena	brasiliensis		Brazilian vervain	Verbenaceae		✓		T1	N 34°01.996'	W 081°04.176'	156 ft
158	Packera	glabella		Butterweed	Asteraceae		✓		Т3	N 34°01.975'	W 081°04.171'	170 ft
159	Carpinus	caroliniana		American hornbeam	Betulaceae		✓		T4	N 34°01.973'	W 081°04.170'	157 ft
160	Acer	rubrum		Red Maple	Sapindaceae		✓		T7	N 34°01.957'	W 081°04.172'	151 ft
161	Planera	aquatica		Water-elm	Ulmaceae		~		T7	N 34°01.956'	W 081°04.178'	155 ft
162	Arundinaria	gigantea		Giant cane	Poaceae	✓			T13	N 34°01.925'	W 081°04.169'	185 ft
163	Corydalis	flavula		Yellow fumewort	Papaveraceae		<b>~</b>		T35	N 34°01.781'	W 081°04.140'	220 ft
164	Pinus	taeda		Loblolly pine	Pinaceae			~	T36	N 34°01.773'	W 081°04.134'	171 ft
165	Viola	sororia		Common blue violet	Violaceae		<b>~</b>		T61	N 34°01.511'	W 081°04.103'	159 ft
166	Prunus	caroliniana		Carolina laurel cherry	Rosaceae		<b>~</b>		T63	N 34°01.494'	W 081°04.091'	188 ft
167	Vaccinium	corymbosum		Highbush blueberry	Ericaceae		✓		T56	N 34°00.588'	W 081°03.500'	214 ft
168	Carpinus	caroliniana		American hornbeam	Betulaceae		✓		T56	N 34°00.593'	W 081°03.497'	156 ft
169	Amelanchier	arborea		Common serviceberry	Rosaceae		~		T50	N 34°00.639'	W 081°03.504'	159 ft
170	Fagus	grandifolia		American beech	Fagaceae		<b>~</b>		T49	N 34°00.647'	W 081°03.506'	171 ft
171	Bignonia	capreolata		Crossvine	Bignoniaceae		~		T48	N 34°00.658'	W 081°03.511'	154 ft
172	Smilax	rotundifolia		Roundleaf greenbriar	Smilacaceae	✓			T48	N 34°00.662'	W 081°03.517'	152 ft
173	Үисса	filamentosa		Adam's needle	Asparagaceae	✓			T45	N 34°00.684'	W 081°03.524'	162 ft
174	Liquidambar	styraciflua		Sweetgum	Altingiaceae		✓		T39	N 34°00.742'	W 081°03.533'	169 ft
175	Photinia	serratifolia		Taiwanese photinia	Rosaceae		✓		T29	N 34°00.836'	W 081°03.576'	180 ft
176	Senecio	vulgaris		Old-man-in-the-spring	Asteraceae		✓		T17	N 34°00.910'	W 081°03.604'	175 ft
177	Acer	negundo		Boxelder	Sapindaceae		✓		T34	N 34°00.796'	W 081°03.553'	157 ft
178	Gelsemium	sempervirens		Carolina jessamine	Gelsemiaceae		✓		T53	N 34°00.617'	W 081°03.493'	168 ft

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1	Platanus	occidentalis		✓	✓							all of SC
2	Cephalanthus	occidentalis		√	✓							all of SC
3	Dichanthelium	polyanthes		✓	✓							M, P
4	Sambucus	nigra	ssp. canadensis	✓	✓							all of SC
5	Chasmanthium	latifolium		✓	✓							all of SC
6	Cocculus	carolinus		✓	✓							all of SC
7	Sida	rhombifolia		✓	✓							all of SC
8	Ligustrum	sinense					✓			✓ (state)	severe threat	all of SC
9	Ligustrum	japonicum					$\checkmark$			$\checkmark$	significant threat	all of SC
10	Liquidambar	styraciflua		✓	✓							all of SC
11	Youngia	japonica					$\checkmark$	✓				not enough data/P
12	Callicarpa	americana		✓	✓							all of SC
13	Smallanthus	uvedalia		✓	✓							all of SC
14	Albizia	julibrissin					✓			✓ (state)	significant threat	all of SC
15	Clematis	terniflora					✓			✓ (state)	significant threat	all of SC
16	Ampelopsis	arborea		✓	✓							Р, СР
17	Ampelopsis	cordata		✓	✓							P, CP
18	Juncus	bufonius		✓	✓							all of SC
19	Lonicera	japonica					✓			✓ (state)	severe threat	all of SC
20	Juglans	nigra		✓	✓							all of SC
21	Cornus	foemina		✓	✓							all of SC
22	llex	decidua		✓	✓							all of SC
23	Acer	negundo		✓	✓							all of SC
24	Smilax	glauca		✓	✓							all of SC
25	Carpinus	caroliniana		✓	✓							all of SC
26	Commelina	virginica		✓	✓							all of SC
27	Persicaria	setacea		✓	✓							all of SC
28	Cyperus	drummondii		✓	✓							not enough data/P, CP
29	Lindernia	dubia		✓	✓							all of SC
30	Verbesina	occidentalis		✓	✓							all of SC

Table 2.4. Species Conservation Status. Designations of each non-duplicated individual species collected as native or non-native and known locations within South Carolina. This table is 4 pages long.

	Genus	Species	Subspecies	Native	Common	Rare (state/fed tracked)	Non-native	Introduced	Naturalized	Invasive (state/fed noxious)	Severity	Known Locations
31	Elephantopus	tomentosus		√	✓							all of SC
32	Vitis	rotundifolia		√	✓							all of SC
33	Laportea	canadensis		√	✓							M, P
34	Tradescantia	hirsuticaulis		√	✓							M, P
35	Dicliptera	brachiata		√	✓							P, CP
36	Hedera	helix					✓			✓ (state)	severe threat	all of SC
37	Solidago	leavenworthii		✓	✓							Р, СР
38	Tillandsia	usneoides		√	✓							P, CP
39	Asimina	triloba		√	✓							M, P
40	Viola	arvensis					✓		✓			M, P
41	Vicia	sativa	ssp. <i>nigra</i>				✓	✓				all of SC
42	Trifolium	campestre					✓	√				all of SC
43	Роа	chapmaniana		√	✓							M, P
44	Gamochaeta	purpurea		√	✓							all of SC
45	Sonchus	asper					✓		✓			all of SC
46	Taraxacum	erythrospermum					✓	✓				all of SC
47	Cercis	canadensis	var. canadensis	✓	✓							all of SC
48	Quercus	nigra		✓	✓							all of SC
49	Vicia	caroliniana		✓	✓							all of SC
50	Galium	aparine		✓	✓							all of SC
51	Prunus	serotina		✓	✓							all of SC
52	Geranium	carolinianum		✓	✓							all of SC
53	Lamium	amplexicaule					✓		✓			all of SC
54	Veronica	hederifolia					✓	✓				M, P
55	Cardamine	hirsuta					✓		✓			all of SC
56	Nemophila	aphylla		✓	✓							M, P
57	Rubus	argutus		✓	✓							all of SC
58	Duchesnea	indica					✓		✓			all of SC
59	Carex	festucacea		✓	✓							all of SC
60	Carex	amphibola		√	✓							all of SC

	Genus	Species	Subspecies	Native	Common	Rare (state/fed tracked)	Non-native	Introduced	Naturalized	Invasive (state/fed noxious)	Severity	Known Locations
61	Carex	flaccosperma		✓	✓							all of SC
62	Rubus	trivialis		✓	✓							all of SC
63	Veronica	peregrina		✓	✓							all of SC
64	Oxalis	stricta		✓	✓							all of SC
65	Hypochaeris	glabra					✓		✓			all of SC
66	Krigia	dandelion		✓	✓							all of SC
67	Prunus	caroliniana		√	✓							P, CP
68	Halesia	carolina		√	✓							all of SC
69	Osmorhiza	longistylis		√	✓							Р
70	Podophyllum	peltatum		√	✓							all of SC
71	Elymus	virginicus	var. virginicus	✓	✓							all of SC
72	Plantago	virginica		√	√							all of SC
73	Elaeagnus	umbellata	var. parvifolia				✓			✓ (state)	alert	M, P
74	Роа	autumnalis		✓	✓							all of SC
75	Sparganium	americanum		√	✓							all of SC
76	Bignonia	capreolata		√	√							all of SC
77	Packera	glabella		√	√							all of SC
78	Chenopodium	album		√	√							all of SC
79	Hypericum	hypericoides	ssp. hypericoides	√	✓							all of SC
80	Trifolium	incarnatum					√	√				all of SC
81	Nuttallanthus	canadensis		√	✓							all of SC
82	Symphyotrichum	pilosum	var. pilosum	✓	✓							all of SC
83	Triodanis	perfoliata		✓	✓							all of SC
84	Rumex	crispus					✓	√				all of SC
85	Sisyrinchium	atlanticum		✓	✓							all of SC
86	Vicia	cracca					~	$\checkmark$				P (only found in Richland Cty)
87	Solanum	pseudocapsicum					~			✓ (state)	emerging threat	not enough data (only in 4 counties)/all of SC
88	Nandina	domestica					√			✓ (state)	significant threat	all of SC
89	Commelina	communis					√	√				all of SC
90	Solanum	carolinense		✓	✓							all of SC

	Genus	Species	Subspecies	Native	Common	Rare (state/fed tracked)	Non-native	Introduced	Naturalized	Invasive (state/fed noxious)	Severity	Known Locations
91	Verbena	bonariensis					✓	✓				all of SC
												not enough data/possible
92	Lactuca	biennis					✓	✓				shift in range due to climate
												change?
93	Lespedeza	cuneata					✓			✓ (state)	severe threat	all of SC
94	Vaccinium	corymbosum		✓	✓							all of SC
95	llex	verticillata		✓	✓							all of SC
96	Toxicodendron	radicans		~	✓							all of SC
97	Smilax	smallii		✓	√							Р, СР
98	Lepidium	virginicum		✓	✓							all of SC
99	Tradescantia	hirsuticaulis		✓	✓							М, Р
100	Asplenium	platyneuron		~	✓							all of SC
101	Polystichum	acrostichoides		~	✓							all of SC
102	llex	cornuta					~	~				P (only found in Richland Cty)/not enough data
103	Іротоеа	purpurea					✓	✓				all of SC
103	Phytolacca	americana		~	✓		-	-				all of SC
104	Ruellia	caroliniensis		~	~							all of SC
105	Conoclinium	coelestinum		~	~							all of SC
107	Andropogon	virginicus		✓	√							all of SC
108	Pinus	taeda		✓	√							all of SC
109	Phoradendron	serotinum		✓	✓							all of SC
110	Stellaria	media					✓	✓				all of SC
111	Cerastium	semidecandrum					✓	✓				not enough data
112	Ulmus	americana		✓	√							all of SC
113	Verbena	brasiliensis					√	✓				all of SC
114	Acer	rubrum		✓	√							all of SC
115	Planera	aquatica		✓	√							Р, С
116	Arundinaria	gigantea		✓	√							all of SC
117	Corydalis	flavula		✓	√							Р
118	Viola	sororia		✓	√							all of SC
119	Amelanchier	arborea		✓	√							all of SC
120	Fagus	grandifolia		~	~							all of SC
121	Smilax	rotundifolia		✓	✓							all of SC
122	Yucca	filamentosa		✓	✓							all of SC
123	Photinia	serratifolia					✓	✓				not enough data
124	Senecio	vulgaris					~		✓			M, P
125	Gelsemium	sempervirens		✓	√							all of SC

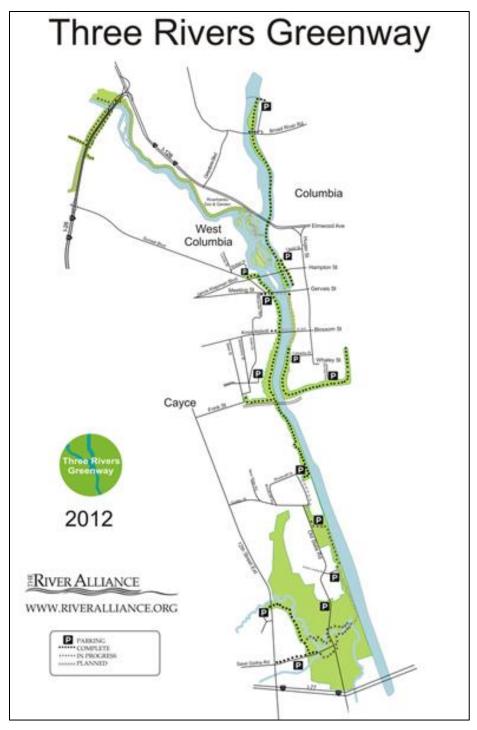


Figure 2.1. Three Rivers Greenway Map. A map of the 9<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> mile Three Rivers Greenway, which includes the AOI. (The River Alliance 2012).

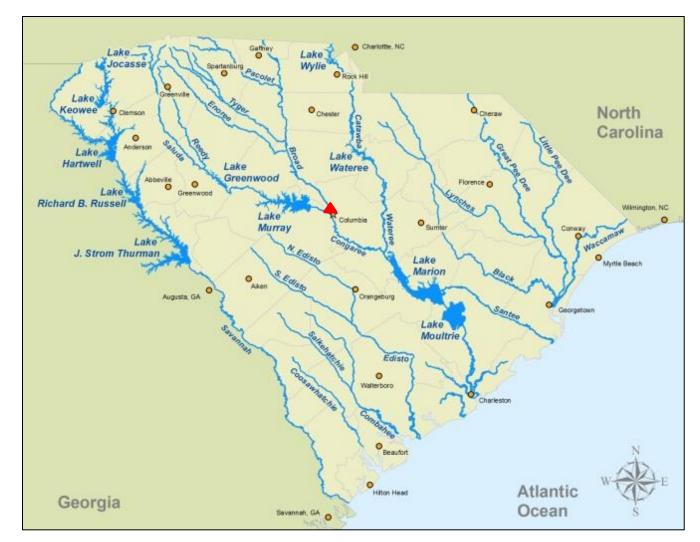


Figure 2.2. Map of South Carolina Lakes and Rivers. Reference map showing major waterways and bodies in South Carolina with the study area highlighted by a red triangle. (South Carolina Film Commission 2010).



Figure 2.3. Surveying the AOI. A) Field Work Materials. Clockwise from the top left: notebook for recording field info. and Garmin *eTrex* 20, Stanley 8m measuring tape, a tagged tree, field plant press, Presco PinkGlo flagging tape, and measuring tape. B) Landscape of the AOI. This picture is representative of the area surveyed.

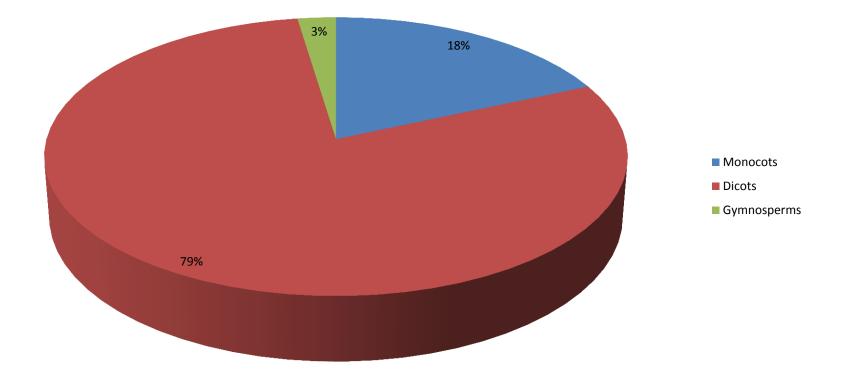


Figure 2.4. Breakdown of plant types. Separation of plants into monocots, dicots, and gymnosperms by percentage.

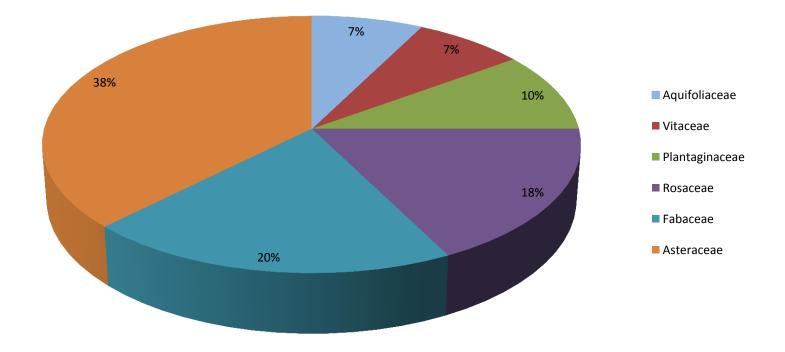


Figure 2.5. Dicot Families. Legend is arranged from smallest to largest by percentage of species per family. Only plants with 3 or more specimens are displayed in this pie chart.

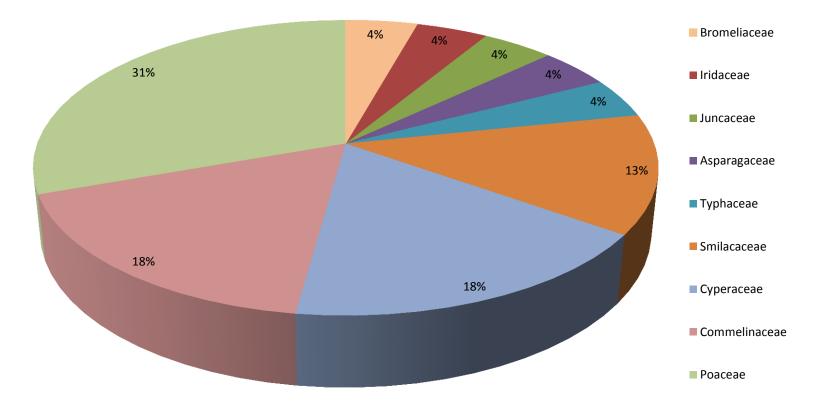


Figure 2.6. Monocot Families. Legend is arranged from smallest to largest by percentage of species per family. All plants belonging to monocot families are represented in this pie chart.

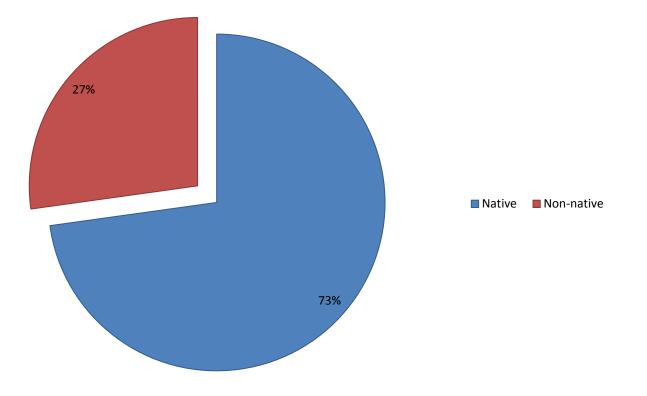


Figure 2.7. Native vs. non-native plants. Percentage of non-duplicated native species compared to the percentage of non-native species found in the AOI.

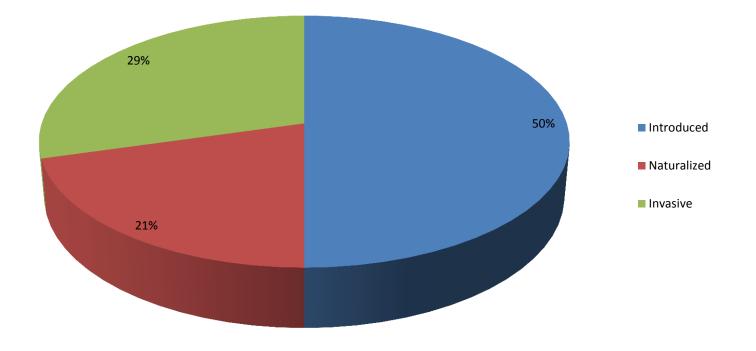


Figure 2.8. Breakdown of non-native species. Visual representation of the classification of the non-native species into the groupings of introduced, naturalized, and invasive species.

# Specimen Data Points

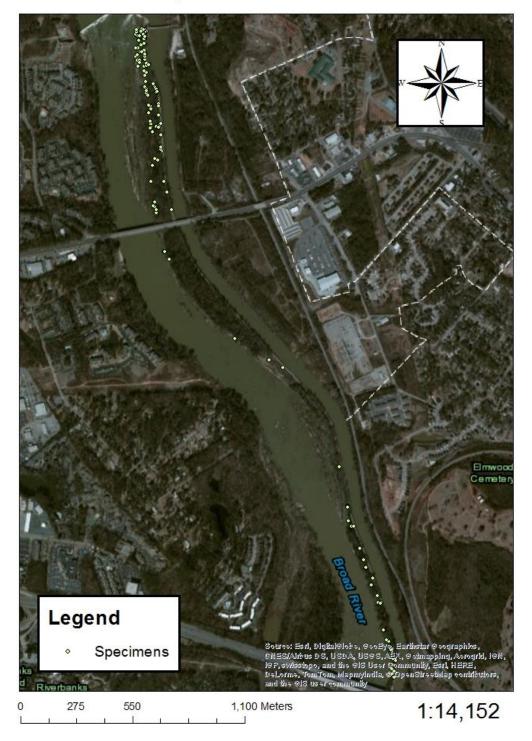
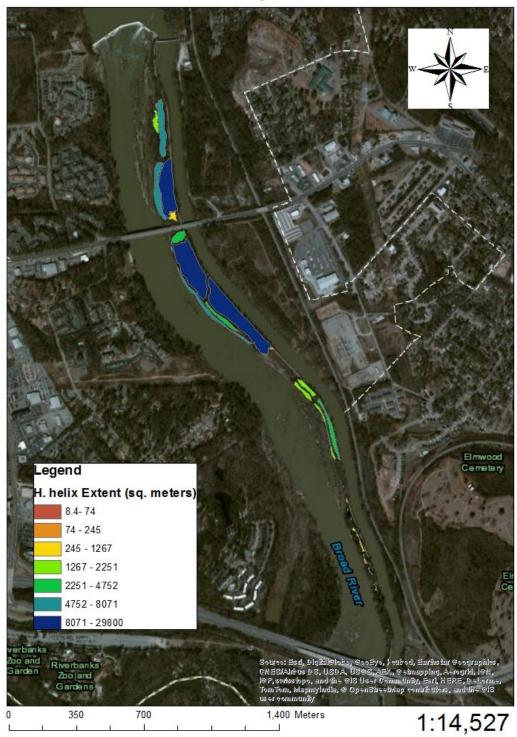


Figure 2.9. Specimen data points. Locations of all 178 specimens collected in the AOI.



H. helix Spatial Extent

Figure 2.10. Spatial extent of *H. helix*. GIS map displaying polygon data of all *H. helix* presence in the AOI in square meters.

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## APPENDIX A: LIST OF VASCULAR PLANT TAXA

Gymnosperms	Liquidambar styraciflua L., Sweetgum
Aspleniaceae	Amaranthaceae
Asplenium platyneuron (L.) Britton,	Chenopodium album L., Lambsquarters
Sterns & Poggenb., Ebony spleenwort	Anacardiaceae
Dryopteridaceae	Toxicodendron radicans (L.) Kuntze,
Polystichum acrostichoides (Michx.)	Poison ivy
Schott, Christmas fern	Annonaceae
Pinaceae	Asimina triloba (L.) Dunal, Pawpaw
Pinus taeda L., Loblolly pine	Apiaceae
Angiosperms	Osmorhiza longistylis (Torr.) DC.,
Acanthaceae	Longstyle sweetroot
Dicliptera brachiata (Pursh) Spreng.,	Longstyle sweetroot Aquifoliaceae
Dicliptera brachiata (Pursh) Spreng., Branched foldwing	0.1
Dicliptera brachiata (Pursh) Spreng.,	Aquifoliaceae
<i>Dicliptera brachiata</i> (Pursh) Spreng., Branched foldwing <i>Ruellia caroliniensis</i> (J.F. Gmel.) Steud.,	Aquifoliaceae Ilex cornuta Lindl. & Paxton, Chinese
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Dicliptera brachiata (Pursh) Spreng., Branched foldwing Ruellia caroliniensis (J.F. Gmel.) Steud., Carolina wild petunia Adoxaceae Sambucus nigra ssp. canadensis (L.) R. Bolli, American black elderberry [ITIS];	Aquifoliaceae Ilex cornuta Lindl. & Paxton, Chinese holly Ilex decidua Walter, Possumhaw Ilex verticillata (L.) A. Gray, Common winterberry

Yucca filamentosa L., Adam's needle Symphyotrichum pilosum var. pilosum (Willd.) G.L. Nesom, Hairy while Asteraceae Conoclinium coelestinum (L.) DC, Blue oldfield aster mistflower *Taraxacum erythrospermum* Andrz. ex Elephantpus tomentosus L., Hairy Besser, Rock dandelion elephant foot Verbesina occidentalis (L.) Walker, Gamochaeta purpurea (L.) Cabrera, Yellow crownbeard Spoon-leaf purple everlasting Youngia japonica (L.) DC, Oriental false Hypochaeris glabra L., Smooth cat's ear hawksbeard Krigia dandelion (L.) Nutt., Potato Berberidaceae dwarf dandelion Nandina domestica Thunb., Sacred Lactuca biennis (Moench) Fernald, Tall bamboo blue lettuce Podophyllum peltatum L., Mayapple Betulaceae Packera glabella (Poir.) C. Jeffrey, Butterweed Carpinus caroliniana Walter, American hornbeam Senecio vulgaris L., Old-man-in-thespring **Bignoniaceae** Bignonia capreolata L., Crossvine Smallanthus uvedalia (L.) Mack. ex Small, Hairy leafcup Boraginaceae Solidago leavenworthii Torr. & A. Gray, Nemophila aphylla (L.) Brummitt, Leavenworth's goldenrod Smallflower baby blue eyes **Brassicaceae** Sonchus asper (L.) Hill, Spiny sowthistle Cardamine hirsuta L., Hairy bittercress

Lepidium virginicum L., Virginia Ipomoea purpurea (L.) Roth, Common pepperweed morning-glory Bromeliaceae Cornaceae Tillandsia usneoides (L.) L., Spanish Cornus foemina Mill., Swamp dogwood Cyperaceae moss Carex amphibola Steud., Eastern Campanulaceae Triodanis perfoliata (L.) Nieuwl., narrowleaf sedge Clasping Venus' looking-glass Carex festucacea Schkuhr ex Willd., Caprifoliaceae Fescue sedge Lonicera japonica Thunb., Japanese Carex flaccosperma Dewey, Thinfruit honeysuckle sedge Caryophyllaceae Cyperus drummondii Torr. & Hook., Cerastium semidecandrum L., Five-Drummond's sedge stamen chickweed Elaeagnaceae Stellaria media (L.) Vill., Chickweed Elaeagnus umbellata var. parvifolia Commelinaceae (Wall. ex Royle) C.K. Schneid., Autumn Commelina communis L., Asiatic olive dayflower Ericaceae Commelina virginica L., Virginia Vaccinium corymbosum L., Highbush dayflower blueberry Tradescantia hirsuticaulis Small, Fabaceae Hairystem spiderwort Albizia julibrissin Durazz., Mimosa Convolvulaceae

Cercis canadensis var. canadensis L.,	Hyper
Eastern redbud	hyperi
Lespedeza cuneata (Dum. Cours.) G.	cross
Don, Sericea lespedeza	Iridac
Trifolium campestre Schreb., Low hop	Sisyrir
clover	Easter
Trifolium incarnatum L., Crimson clover	Juglar
Vicia caroliniana Walter, Carolina vetch	Juglar
Vicia cracca L., Bird vetch	Junca
Vicia sativa ssp. nigra (L.) Ehrh.,	Juncus
Garden vetch	Lamia
Fagaceae	Callice
Fagus grandifolia Ehrh., American	beauty
beech	Lamiu
Quercus nigra L., Water oak	deadne
Gelsemiaceae	Linde
Gelsemium sempervirens (L.) J. StHil.,	Linder
Carolina jessamine	seed fa
Geraniaceae	Malva
Geranium carolinianum L., Carolina	Sida ri
geranium	Menis
Hypericaceae	Сосси
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ricum hypericoides ssp. ricoides (L.) Crantz, St. Andrew's ceae nchium atlanticum E.P. Bicknell, rn blue-eyed grass ndaceae ns nigra L., Black walnut aceae us bufonius L., Toad rush aceae carpa americana L., American yberry um amplexicaule L., Henbit ettle erniaceae rnia dubia (L.) Pennell, Yellowfalse pimpernel aceae rhombifolia L., Cuban jute spermaceae ulus carolinus (L.) DC., Carolina

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Oleaceae	Andropogon virginicus L., Broomsedge
Ligustrum japonicum Thunb., Japanese	bluestem
privet	Arundinaria gigantea (Walter) Muhl.,
Ligustrum sinense Lour., Chinese privet	Giant cane
Oxalis stricta L., Common yellow oxalis	Chasmanthium latifolium (Michx.) H.O.
Papaveraceae	Yates, Indian woodoats
Corydalis flavula (Raf.) DC., Yellow	Dichanthelium polyanthes (Schult.)
fumewort	Mohlenbr., Small-fruited witch grass
Phytolaccaceae	Elymus virgnicus var. virginicus L.,
Phytolacca americana L., American	Virginia wildrye
pokeweed	Poa autumnalis Muhl. ex Elliott,
Plantaginaceae	Autumn bluegrass
Nuttallanthus canadensis (L.) D.A.	Poa chapmaniana Scribn., Chapman's
Sutton, Canada toadflax	bluegrass
Plantago virginica L., Virginia plantain	Polygonaceae
Veronica hederifolia L., Ivyleaf	Persicaria setacea (Baldwin) Small,
speedwell	Bog smartweed
Veronica peregrina L., Purslane	Duran anianya I. Curdu do dr
	Rumex crispus L., Curly dock
speedwell	Ranunculaceae
speedwell Platanaceae	
-	Ranunculaceae

Amelanchier arborea (F. Michx.)	Acer rubrum L., Red maple
Fernald, Common serviceberry	Smilacaceae
Duchesnea indica (Andrews) Focke,	Smilax glauca Walter, Cat greenbrier
Indian strawberry-ITIS (2014),	Smilax rotundifolia L., Roundleaf
[Potentilla indica (Andrews) T. Wolf-	greenbrier
(Weakley 2012)]	Smilax smallii Morong, Lanceleaf
Photinia serratifolia (Desf.) Kalkm.,	greenbrier
Taiwanese photinia	Solanaceae
Prunus caroliniana (Mill.) Aiton,	Solanum carolinense L., Carolina
Carolina laurel cherry	horsenettle
Prunus serotina Ehrh., Black cherry	Solanum pseudocapsicum L., Jerusalem
Rubus argutus Link, Sawtooth	cherry
blackberry	Styracaceae
blackberry Rubus trivialis Michx., Southern	<b>Styracaceae</b> <i>Halesia carolina</i> L., Carolina silverbell
Rubus trivialis Michx., Southern	Halesia carolina L., Carolina silverbell
Rubus trivialis Michx., Southern dewberry	Halesia carolina L., Carolina silverbell <b>Typhaceae</b>
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Verbena bonariensis L., Purpletop	Vitaceae
vervain	Ampelopsis arborea (L.) Koehne,
Violaceae	Peppervine
Viola arvensis Murray, European field	Ampelopsis cordata Michx., Heartleaf
pansy	peppervine
Viola sororia Willd., Common blue	Vitis rotundifolia Michx., Muscadine
violet	

#### APPENDIX B: ADDITIONAL VASCULAR PLANT TAXA FROM RIVERFRONT PARK

Information in this appendix is from an undergraduate research study at the University of South Carolina of the flora of the Three-Rivers Waterfront (Saluda, Broad, and Congaree rivers) on the west edge of Columbia, SC and Richland County. While located at the USCH, these specimens are not currently documented in the database. These specimens have been identified by Dr. John Nelson. Labels similar to those created for the specimens in this study have been created for each specimen in this appendix as an additional part of this thesis.

The specimens in this appendix were gathered between 2008 and 2009. Though the area these specimens were collected in includes some of the AOI from this thesis, it was a larger study area around the approximate coordinates, 34.0019°N, -81.0552°W. Specimens in this appendix cannot be included in this thesis' data as these specimens pertain to the flora of a larger area that faces different parameters of disturbance than those in this thesis. However, some of the specimens in this appendix are the same as those from this study. The table below includes all specimens identified by binomial nomenclature, family, and zone location. Zone locations were not formally set with bounds of latitude and longitude, but are near the above coordinates and along the Three Rivers Greenway waterfront. Numbers do not pertain to the USCH database and are solely for this appendix order. This data is presented here for future explorations and research in this thesis' AOI and the surrounding area.

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Table A.1. Appendix B: Additional vascular plant taxa from Riverfront Park. This appendix table is 7 pages long and includes species from a separate study.

	Genus	Species	Subspecies	Family	Zone
1	Polypogon	monspeliensis		Poaceae	1
2	Cardamine	hirsuta		Brassicaceae	1
3	Ranunculus	abortivus		Ranunculaceae	1
4	Salvia	lyrata		Lamiaceae	1
5	Oenothera	laciniata		Onagraceae	1
6	Vicia	sativa	ssp. nigra	Fabaceae	1
7	Galium	aparine		Rubiaceae	1
8	Juncus	marginatus		Juncaceae	1
9	Nuttalanthus	canadensis		Plantaginaceae	1
10	Liriope	spicata		Asparagaceae	1
11	Podostemum	ceratophyllum		Podostemaceae	1
12	Rubus	pensilvanicus		Rosaceae	1
13	Glyceria	striata		Poaceae	1
14	Heliotropium	amplexicaule		Heliotropiaceae	1
15	Роа	chapmaniana		Poaceae	1
16	Justicia	americana		Acanthaceae	1
17	Glyceria	striata		Poaceae	1
18	Carex	typhina		Cyperaceae	1
19	Sorghum	halepense		Poaceae	1
20	Smallanthus	uvedalia		Asteraceae	1
21	Hydrocotyle	verticillata		Araliaceae	1
22	Juncus	marginatus		Juncaceae	1
23	Dichanthelium	scoparium		Poaceae	1
24	Scirpus	cyperinus		Cyperaceae	1
25	Erigeron	strigosus		Asteraceae	1
26	Bidens	frondosa		Asteraceae	1
27	Viola	sororia		Violaceae	1
28	Quercus	laurifolia		Fagaceae	1
29	Toxicodendron	radicans		Anacardiaceae	1
30	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica		Oleaceae	1
31	Acalypha	rhomboidea		Euphorbiaceae	1
32	Eupatorium	capillifolium		Asteraceae	1
33	Solidago	leavenworthii		Asteraceae	1
34	Maclura	pomifera		Moraceae	1
35	Symphyotrichum	dumosum		Asteraceae	1
36	Carya	cordiformis		Juglandaceae	1
37	Cocculus	carolinus		Menispermaceae	1
38	Dichanthelium	acuminatum	var. acuminatum	Poaceae	1
39	Verbesina	alternifolia		Asteraceae	1
40	Mollugo	verticillata		Molluginaceae	1

	Genus	Species	Subspecies	Family	Zone
41	Mimulus	ringens		Phrymaceae	1
42	Egeria	densa		Hydrocharitaceae	1
43	Podostemum	ceratophyllum		Podostemaceae	1
44	Cyperus	strigosus		Cyperaceae	1
45	Packera	glabella		Asteraceae	1
46	Ligustrum	japonicum		Oleaceae	1
47	Phytolacca	americana		Phytolaccaceae	1
48	Prunus	caroliniana		Rosaceae	1
49	Trianthema	portulacastrum		Aizoaceae	1
50	Lepidium	virginicum		Brassicaceae	1
51	Ligustrum	sinense		Oleaceae	1
52	Clematis	terniflora		Ranunculaceae	1
53	Quercus	nigra		Fagaceae	1
54	Liriope	muscari		Asparagaceae	1
55	Commelina	virginica		Commelinaceae	1
56	Duchesnea	indica		Rosaceae	1
57	Trifolium	incarnatum		Fabaceae	1
58	Rumex	acetosella		Polygonaceae	1
59	Dichanthelium	ensifolium	var. ensifolium	Poaceae	1
60	Diodia	virginiana		Rubiaceae	1
61	Conyza	bonariensis		Asteraceae	1
62	Rumex	crispus		Polygonaceae	1
63	Tillandsia	usneoides		Bromeliaceae	1
64	Bromus	catharticus		Poaceae	1
65	Hypochaeris	radicata		Asteraceae	1
66	Hypochaeris	radicata		Asteraceae	1
67	Pontedaria	cordata		Pontederiaceae	1
68	Persicaria	longiseta		Polygonaceae	1
69	Oxalis	dillenii		Oxalidaceae	1
70	Oxalis	dillenii		Oxalidaceae	1
71	Pinus	taeda		Pinaceae	1
72	Ostrya	virginiana		Betulaceae	1
73	Cercis	canadensis		Fabaceae	1
74	Sida	rhombifolia		Malvaceae	1
75	Halesia	carolina		Styracaceae	1
76	Halesia	carolina		Styracaceae	1
77	Vernonia	gigantea		Asteraceae	1
78	Solidago	puberula	ssp. pulverulenta	Asteraceae	1
79	Elephantopus	carolinianus		Asteraceae	1
80	Elephantopus	carolinianus		Asteraceae	1

	Genus	Species	Subspecies	Family	Zone
81	Hypericum	hypericoides		Hypericaceae	1
82	Modiola	caroliniana		Malvaceae	1a
83	Plantago	lanceolata		Plantaginaceae	1a
84	Sanicula	marilandica		Apiaceae	1a
85	Allium	canadense		Amaryllidaceae	1a
86	Potentilla	canadensis		Rosaceae	1a
87	Asplenium	platyneuron		Aspleniaceae	1a
88	Rubus	bifrons		Rosaceae	1a
89	Vicia	cracca		Fabaceae	1a
90	Bromus	secalinus		Poaceae	1a
91	Hordeum	pusillum		Poaceae	1a
92	Stachys	floridana		Lamiaceae	1a
93	Triodanis	perfoliata		Campanulaceae	1a
94	Sonchus	oleraceus		Asteraceae	1a
95	Ranunculus	sardous		Ranunculaceae	1a
96	Lespedeza	virginica		Fabaceae	
97	Persicaria	punctata		Polygonaceae	
98	Samolus	valerandi		Primulaceae	
99	Ptilimnium	nodosum		Apiaceae	
100	Cyclospermum	leptophyllum		Apiaceae	2
101	Carex	vulpinoidea		Cyperaceae	2
102	Carex	vulpinoidea		Cyperaceae	2
103	Phalaris	arundinacea		Poaceae	2
104	Phalaris	arundinacea		Poaceae	2
105	Carex	vulpinoidea		Cyperaceae	2
<b>106</b>	Elephantopus	carolinianus		Asteraceae	2
107	Clematis	terniflora		Ranunculaceae	2
108	Hibiscus	syriacus		Malvaceae	2
109	Eleusine	indica		Poaceae	2
110	Conoclinium	coelestinum		Asteraceae	2
111	Tradescantia	hirsuticaulis		Commelinaceae	2
112	Alternanthera	sessilis		Amaranthaceae	2
113	Solanum	pseudocapsicum		Solanaceae	2
114	Trifolium	dubium		Fabaceae	2
115	Ilex	cornuta		Aquifoliaceae	2
116	Packera	glabella		Asteraceae	2
117	Carex	scoparia		Cyperaceae	2
118	Juncus	debilis		Juncaceae	2
119	Lepidium	virginicum		Brassicaceae	2
120	Carex	vulpinoidea		Cyperaceae	2

	Genus	Species	Subspecies	Family	Zone
121	Solanum	carolinense		Solanaceae	2
122	Youngia	japonica		Asteraceae	2
123	Gamochaeta	purpurea		Asteraceae	2
124	Cyperus	strigosus		Cyperaceae	2
125	Acer	negundo		Sapindaceae	2
126	Triodanis	perfoliata	ssp. biflora	Campanulaceae	2
127	Cephalanthus	occidentalis		Rubiaceae	2
128	Pyrrhopappus	carolinianus		Asteraceae	2
129	Conyza	bonariensis		Asteraceae	2
130	Oxalis	stricta		Oxalidaceae	2
131	Solanum	ptychanthum		Solanaceae	2
132	Ligustrum	japonicum		Oleaceae	2
133	Solidago	canadensis		Asteraceae	2
134	Vicia	sativa	ssp. nigra	Fabaceae	2
135	Solidago	canadensis		Asteraceae	2
136	Clytoria	mariana		Fabaceae	2
137	Lactuca	floridana		Asteraceae	2
138	Erigeron	strigosus		Asteraceae	2
139	Persicaria	hydropiperoides		Polygonaceae	2
140	Elymus	riparius		Poaceae	2
141	Oxalis	violacea		Oxalidaceae	2
142	Diodia	virginiana		Rubiaceae	2
143	Carya	illinoinensis		Juglandaceae	2
144	Elaeagnus	umbellata	var. parviflora	Elaeagnaceae	2
145	Іротоеа	purpurea		Convolvulaceae	2
146	Apocynum	androsaemifolium		Apocynaceae	2
147	Rhus	glabra		Anacardiaceae	2
148	Callicarpa	americana		Lamiaceae	2
149	Staphylea	trifolia		Staphyleaceae	2
150	Steinchisma	hians		Poaceae	2
151	Steinchisma	hians		Poaceae	2
152	Cryptotaenia	canadensis		Apiaceae	2
153	Campsis	radicans		Bignoniaceae	2
154	Smilax	rotundifolia		Smilacaceae	2
155	Stellaria	media		Caryophyllaceae	3
156	Hypochaeris	glabra		Asteraceae	3
157	Allium	neapolitanum		Amaryllidaceae	3
158	Veronica	hederifolia		Plantaginaceae	3
159	Ludwigia	alternifolia		Onagraceae	3
160	Polystichum	acrostichoides		Dryopteridaceae	3

	Genus	Species	Subspecies	Family	Zone
161	Hydrocotyle	bonariensis		Araliaceae	3
162	Boehmeria	cylindrica		Urticaceae	3
163	Boehmeria	cylindrica		Urticaceae	3
164	Ludwigia	glandulosa		Onagraceae	3
165	Panicum	dichotomiflorum		Poaceae	3
166	Lygodium	japonicum		Lygodiaceae	3
167	Hydrocotyle	bonariensis		Araliaceae	3
168	Ludwigia	repens		Onagraceae	3
169	Viburnum	nudum		Adoxaceae	3
170	Viburnum	nudum		Adoxaceae	3
171	Hydrolea	quadrivalvis		Hydroleaceae	3
172	Ludwigia	decurrens		Onagraceae	3
173	Lemna	valdiviana		Araceae	3
174	Viburnum	recognitum		Adoxaceae	3
175	Viburnum	recognitum		Adoxaceae	3
176	Mollugo	verticillata		Molluginaceae	3
177	Sabal	minor		Arecaceae	3
178	Halesia	carolina		Styracaceae	3
179	Trifolium	campestre		Fabaceae	3
180	Smilax	smallii		Smilacaceae	3
181	Smilax	smallii		Smilacaceae	3
182	Ampelopsis	arborea		Vitaceae	3
183	Hypericum	mutilum		Hypericaceae	3
184	Toxicodendron	radicans		Anacardiaceae	3
185	Typha	latifolia		Typhaceae	3
186	Saururus	cernuus		Saururaceae	3
187	Hydrolea	quadrivalvis		Hydroleaceae	3
188	Hibiscus	moscheutos		Malvaceae	3
189	Prunus	caroliniana		Rosaceae	3
190	Prunus	serotina		Rosaceae	3
191	Toxicodendron	radicans		Anacardiaceae	3
192	Carex	typhina		Cyperaceae	3
193	Alnus	serrulata		Betulaceae	3
194	Alnus	serrulata		Betulaceae	3
195	Tradescantia	subaspera		Commelinaceae	3
196	Sida	rhombifolia		Malvaceae	3
197	Tripsacum	dactyloides		Poaceae	3
198	Equisetum	hyemale		Equisetaceae	3
199	Passiflora	lutea		Passifloraceae	3
200	Passiflora	lutea		Passifloraceae	3

	Genus	Species	Subspecies	Family	Zone
201	Ludwigia	glandulosa		Onagraceae	3
202	Callicarpa	americana		Lamiaceae	3
203	Elodea	canadensis		Hydrocharitaceae	4
204	Diospyros	virginiana		Ebenaceae	4
205	Ligustrum	sinense		Oleaceae	4
206	Ampelopsis	arborea		Vitaceae	4
207	Eupatorium	serotinum		Asteraceae	4
208	Ludwigia	decurrens		Onagraceae	4
209	Diodia	virginiana		Rubiaceae	4
210	Eragrostis	hypnoides		Poaceae	4
211	Cicuta	maculata		Apiaceae	4
212	Cicuta	maculata		Apiaceae	4
213	Digitaria	serotina		Poaceae	4
214	Lactuca	floridana		Asteraceae	4
215	Lactuca	canadensis		Asteraceae	4
216	Pennisetum	glaucum		Poaceae	4
217	Cyperus	iria		Cyperaceae	4
218	Sacciolepis	striata		Poaceae	4
219	Cyperus	iria		Cyperaceae	4
220	Mikania	scandens		Asteraceae	4
221	Mikania	scandens		Asteraceae	4
222	Echinochloa	crus-galli		Poaceae	4
223	Lobelia	cardinalis		Campanulaceae	4
224	Apios	americana		Fabaceae	4
225	Apios	americana		Fabaceae	4
226	Cyperus	strigosus		Cyperaceae	4
227	Podostemum	ceratophyllum		Podostemaceae	4
228	Acalypha	rhomboidea		Euphorbiaceae	4
229	Setaria	viridis		Poaceae	4
230	Hypericum	hypericoides		Hypericaceae	4
231	Magnolia	grandiflora		Magnoliaceae	4
232	Ligustrum	japonicum		Oleaceae	4
233	Carex	lurida		Cyperaceae	4
234	Cocculus	carolinus		Menispermaceae	4
235	Hypericum	mutilum		Hypericaceae	4
236	Rhubus	trivialis		Rosaceae	4
237	Ampelopsis	cordata		Vitaceae	4
238	Platanus	occidentalis		Platanaceae	4
239	Alternanthera	philoxeroides		Amaranthaceae	4
240	Egeria	densa		Hydrocharitaceae	4

	Genus	Species	Subspecies	Family	Zone
241	Podostemum	ceratophyllum		Podostemaceae	4
242	Podostemum	ceratophyllum		Podostemaceae	4
243	Podostemum	ceratophyllum		Podostemaceae	4
244	Paspalum	dilatatum		Poaceae	4
245	Paspalum	dilatatum		Poaceae	4
246	Solanum	sarrachoides		Solanaceae	4
247	Solanum	sarrachoides		Solanaceae	4
248	Cynodon	dactylon		Poaceae	4
249	Carex	lupulina		Cyperaceae	4
250	Podostemum	ceratophyllum		Podostemaceae	4
251	Cyperus	pseudovegetus		Cyperaceae	4
252	Clethra	alnifolia		Clethraceae	4
253	Nandina	domestica		Berberidaceae	4
254	Nandina	domestica		Berberidaceae	4
255	Rubus	trivialis		Rosaceae	5
256	Cercis	canadensis		Fabaceae	5
257	Prunus	serotina		Rosaceae	5
258	Carpinus	caroliniana		Betulaceae	5
259	Prunus	angustifolia		Rosaceae	5
260	Viola	sororea		Violaceae	5
261	Corydalis	flavula		Papaveraceae	5
262	Helenium	amarum		Asteraceae	5a
263	Euphorbia	commutata		Euphorbiaceae	5b
264	Clematis	viorna		Ranunculaceae	5b
265	Wahlenbergia	marginata		Campanulaceae	5b
266	Ruellia	caroliniensis		Acanthaceae	5b
267	Smilax	smallii		Smilacaceae	5b
268	Verbascum	thapsus		Scrophulariaceae	5b
269	Gamochaeta	purpurea		Asteraceae	5b
270	Quercus	nigra		Fagaceae	5b
271	Crataegus	aestivalis		Rosaceae	5b

### APPENDIX C: COMPLETE LIST OF VASCULAR PLANT TAXA FROM RIVERFRONT PARK AND THE THREE RIVERS GREENWAY

Appendix C is a complete, combined list of all vascular plant taxa found in the Riverfront Park and Three Rivers Greenway areas from the data in this thesis and the data in Appendix B. This succinct list will be an easy guide to the flora along the Congaree, Saluda, and Broad rivers in Columbia, South Carolina. Numbers in this appendix are solely for numbering the species in this list and do not pertain to USCH database numbers. Species are listed alphabetically by familial status, then binomial nomenclature.

Table A.2. Appendix C: Complete list of vascular plant taxa. A combined list of all species from this thesis and Appendix B. Organized alphabetically by familial status, then binomial nomenclature. This appendix table is 7 pages long and does not include duplicate species.

	Genus	Species	Subspecies	Family
1	Dicliptera	brachiata		Acanthaceae
2	Justicia	americana		Acanthaceae
3	Ruellia	caroliniensis		Acanthaceae
4	Sambucus	nigra	ssp. canadensis	Adoxaceae
5	Viburnum	nudum		Adoxaceae
6	Viburnum	recognitum		Adoxaceae
7	Trianthema	portulacastrum		Aizoaceae
8	Liquidambar	styraciflua		Altingiaceae
9	Alternanthera	philoxeroides		Amaranthaceae
10	Alternanthera	sessilis		Amaranthaceae
11	Chenopodium	album		Amaranthaceae
12	Allium	canadense		Amaryllidaceae
13	Allium	neapolitanum		Amaryllidaceae
14	Rhus	glabra		Anacardiaceae
15	Toxicodendron	radicans		Anacardiaceae

	Genus	Species	Subspecies	Family
16	Asimina	triloba		Annonaceae
17	Cicuta	maculata		Apiaceae
18	Cryptotaenia	canadensis		Apiaceae
19	Cyclospermum	leptophyllum		Apiaceae
20	Osmorhiza	longistylis		Apiaceae
21	Ptilimnium	nodosum		Apiaceae
22	Sanicula	marilandica		Apiaceae
23	Apocynum	androsaemifolium		Apocynaceae
23	Ilex			Aquifoliaceae
24	Ilex	cornuta decidua		Aquifoliaceae
25	Ilex	verticillata		-
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27	Lemna	valdiviana		Araceae
28	Hedera	helix		Araliaceae
29	Hydrocotyle	bonariensis		Araliaceae
30	Hydrocotyle	verticillata		Araliaceae
31	Sabal	minor		Arecaceae
32	Liriope	muscari		Asparagaceae
33	Liriope	spicata		Asparagaceae
34	Үисса	filamentosa		Asparagaceae
35	Asplenium	platyneuron		Aspleniaceae
36	Bidens	frondosa		Asteraceae
37	Conoclinium	coelestinum		Asteraceae
38	Conyza	bonariensis		Asteraceae
39	Elephantopus	carolinianus		Asteraceae
40	Elephantopus	tomentosus		Asteraceae
41	Erigeron	strigosus		Asteraceae
42	Eupatorium	capillifolium		Asteraceae
43	Eupatorium	serotinum		Asteraceae
44	Gamochaeta	purpurea		Asteraceae
45	Helenium	amarum		Asteraceae
46	Hypochaeris	glabra		Asteraceae
47	Hypochaeris	radicata		Asteraceae
48	Krigia	dandelion		Asteraceae
49	Lactuca	biennis		Asteraceae
50	Lactuca	canadensis		Asteraceae
51	Lactuca	floridana		Asteraceae
52	Mikania	scandens		Asteraceae
53	Packera	glabella		Asteraceae
54	Pyrrhopappus	carolinianus		Asteraceae
55	Senecio	vulgaris		Asteraceae
56	Smallanthus	uvedalia		Asteraceae
57	Solidago	canadensis		Asteraceae
58	Solidago	leavenworthii		Asteraceae
59	Solidago	puberula	ssp. pulverulenta	Asteraceae
60	Sonchus	· · ·		Asteraceae
61	Sonchus	asper oleraceus		
01	SUILIIUS	Uleraceus		Asteraceae

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62	Symphyotrichum	dumosum		Asteraceae
63	Symphyotrichum	pilosum	var. <i>pilosum</i>	Asteraceae
64	Taraxacum	erythrospermum		Asteraceae
65	Verbesina	alternifolia		Asteraceae
66	Verbesina	occidentalis		Asteraceae
67	Vernonia	gigantea		Asteraceae
68	Youngia	japonica		Asteraceae
69	Nandina	domestica		Berberidaceae
70	Podophyllum	peltatum		Berberidaceae
71	Alnus	serrulata		Betulaceae
72	Carpinus	caroliniana		Betulaceae
73	Ostrya	virginiana		Betulaceae
74	Bignonia	capreolata		Bignoniaceae
75	Campsis	radicans		Bignoniaceae
76	Nemophila	aphylla		Boraginaceae
77	Cardamine	hirsuta		Brassicaceae
78	Lepidium	virginicum		Brassicaceae
79	Tillandsia	usneoides		Bromeliaceae
80	Lobelia	cardinalis		Campanulaceae
82	Triodanis	perfoliata		Campanulaceae
83	Wahlenbergia	marginata		Campanulaceae
84	Lonicera	japonica		Caprifoliaceae
85	Cerastium	semidecandrum		Caryophyllaceae
86	Stellaria	media		Caryophyllaceae
87	Clethra	alnifolia		Clethraceae
88	Commelina	communis		Commelinaceae
89	Commelina	virginica		Commelinaceae
90	Tradescantia	hirsuticaulis		Commelinaceae
91	Tradescantia	subaspera		Commelinaceae
92	Іротоеа	purpurea		Convolvulaceae
93	Cornus	foemina		Cornaceae
94	Carex	amphibola		Cyperaceae
95	Carex	festucacea		Cyperaceae
96	Carex	flaccosperma		Cyperaceae
97	Carex	lupulina		Cyperaceae
98	Carex	lurida		Cyperaceae
99	Carex	scoparia		Cyperaceae
100	Carex	typhina		Cyperaceae
101	Carex	vulpinoidea		Cyperaceae
102	Cyperus	drummondii		Cyperaceae
103	Cyperus	iria		Cyperaceae
104	Cyperus	pseudovegetus		Cyperaceae
105	Cyperus	strigosus		Cyperaceae

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106	Scirpus	cyperinus		Cyperaceae
107	Polystichum	acrostichoides		Dryopteridaceae
108	Diospyros	virginiana		Ebenaceae
109	Elaeagnus	umbellata	var. parviflora	Elaeagnaceae
110	Equisetum	hyemale		Equisetaceae
111	Vaccinium	corymbosum		Ericaceae
112	Acalypha	rhomboidea		Euphorbiaceae
113	Euphorbia	commutata		Euphorbiaceae
114	Albizia	julibrissin		Fabaceae
115	Apios	americana		Fabaceae
116	Cercis	canadensis		Fabaceae
117	Clytoria	mariana		Fabaceae
118	Lespedeza	cuneata		Fabaceae
119	Lespedeza	virginica		Fabaceae
120	Trifolium	campestre		Fabaceae
121	Trifolium	dubium		Fabaceae
122	Trifolium	incarnatum		Fabaceae
123	Vicia	caroliniana		Fabaceae
124	Vicia	сгасса		Fabaceae
125	Vicia	sativa	ssp. nigra	Fabaceae
126	Fagus	grandifolia		Fagaceae
127	Quercus	laurifolia		Fagaceae
128	Quercus	nigra		Fagaceae
129	Gelsemium	sempervirens		Gelsemiaceae
130	Geranium	carolinianum		Geraniaceae
131	Heliotropium	amplexicaule		Heliotropiaceae
132	Egeria	densa		Hydrocharitaceae
133	Elodea	canadensis		Hydrocharitaceae
134	Hydrolea	quadrivalvis		Hydroleaceae
135	Hypericum	hypericoides	ssp. hypericoides	Hypericaceae
136	Hypericum	mutilum		Hypericaceae
137	Sisyrinchium	atlanticum		Iridaceae
138	Carya	cordiformis		Juglandaceae
139	Carya	illinoinensis		Juglandaceae
140	Juglans	nigra		Juglandaceae
141	Juncus	bufonius		Juncaceae
142	Juncus	debilis		Juncaceae
143	Juncus	marginatus		Juncaceae
144	Callicarpa	americana		Lamiaceae
145	Lamium	amplexicaule		Lamiaceae
146	Salvia	lyrata		Lamiaceae
147	Stachys	floridana		Lamiaceae
148	Lindernia	dubia		Linderniaceae
149	Lygodium	japonicum		Lygodiaceae

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150	Magnolia	grandiflora		Magnoliaceae
151	Hibiscus	moscheutos		Malvaceae
152	Hibiscus	syriacus		Malvaceae
153	Modiola	caroliniana		Malvaceae
154	Sida	rhombifolia		Malvaceae
155	Cocculus	carolinus		Menispermaceae
156	Mollugo	verticillata		Molluginaceae
157	Maclura	pomifera		Moraceae
158	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica		Oleaceae
159	Ligustrum	japonicum		Oleaceae
160	Ligustrum	sinense		Oleaceae
161	Ludwigia	alternifolia		Onagraceae
162	Ludwigia	decurrens		Onagraceae
163	Ludwigia	glandulosa		Onagraceae
164	Ludwigia	repens		Onagraceae
165	Oenothera	laciniata		Onagraceae
166	Oxalis	dillenii		Oxalidaceae
167	Oxalis	stricta		Oxalidaceae
168	Oxalis	violacea		Oxalidaceae
169	Corydalis	flavula		Papaveraceae
170	Passiflora	lutea		Passifloraceae
171	Mimulus	ringens		Phrymaceae
172	Phytolacca	americana		Phytolaccaceae
173	Pinus	taeda		Pinaceae
174	Nuttallanthus	canadensis		Plantaginaceae
175	Plantago	lanceolata		Plantaginaceae
176	Plantago	virginica		Plantaginaceae
177	Veronica	hederifolia		Plantaginaceae
178	Veronica	peregrina		Plantaginaceae
179	Platanus	occidentalis		Platanaceae
180	Andropogon	virginicus		Poaceae
181	Arundinaria	gigantea		Poaceae
182	Bromus	catharticus		Poaceae
183	Bromus	secalinus		Poaceae
184	Chasmanthium	latifolium		Poaceae
185	Cynodon	dactylon		Poaceae
186	Dichanthelium	acuminatum	var. acuminatum	Poaceae
187	Dichanthelium	ensifolium	var. ensifolium	Poaceae
188	Dichanthelium	polyanthes		Poaceae
189	Dichanthelium	scoparium		Poaceae
190	Digitaria	serotina "		Poaceae
191	Echinochloa	crus-galli		Poaceae
192	Eleusine	indica		Poaceae
193	Elymus	riparius		Poaceae
194	Elymus	virginicus	var. virginicus	Poaceae

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195	Eragrostis	hypnoides		Poaceae
196	Glyceria	striata		Poaceae
197	Hordeum	pusillum		Poaceae
198	Panicum	dichotomiflorum		Poaceae
199	Paspalum	dilatatum		Poaceae
200	Pennisetum	glaucum		Poaceae
200	Phalaris	arundinacea		Poaceae
202	Poa	autumnalis		Poaceae
202	Poa	chapmaniana		Poaceae
203	Polypogon	monspeliensis		Poaceae
204	Sacciolepis	striata		Poaceae
205	Setaria	viridis		Poaceae
200	Sorghum	halepense		Poaceae
207	Steinchisma	hians		Poaceae
208				Poaceae
209	Tripsacum Podostemum	dactyloides ceratophyllum		Podostemaceae
210	Persicaria	· · · ·		
211	Persicaria	hydropiperoides		Polygonaceae
212	Persicaria	longiseta punctata		Polygonaceae
213	Persicaria	,		Polygonaceae
214	Rumex	setacea acetosella		Polygonaceae
215	Rumex	crispus		Polygonaceae Polygonaceae
210	Pontedaria	cordata		Pontederiaceae
217	Samolus	valerandi		Primulaceae
219	Clematis	terniflora		Ranunculaceae
219	Clematis	viorna		Ranunculaceae
221	Ranunculus	abortivus		Ranunculaceae
222	Ranunculus	sardous		Ranunculaceae
223	Amelanchier	arborea		Rosaceae
224	Crataegus	aestivalis		Rosaceae
225	Duchesnea	indica		Rosaceae
226	Photinia	serratifolia		Rosaceae
227	Potentilla	canadensis		Rosaceae
228	Prunus	angustifolia		Rosaceae
229	Prunus	caroliniana		Rosaceae
230	Prunus	serotina		Rosaceae
232	Rubus	argutus		Rosaceae
233	Rubus	bifrons		Rosaceae
234	Rubus	pensilvanicus		Rosaceae
231	Rubus	trivialis		Rosaceae
235	Cephalanthus	occidentalis		Rubiaceae
236	Diodia	virginiana		Rubiaceae
237	Galium	aparine		Rubiaceae
238	Phoradendron	serotinum		Santalaceae
239	Acer	negundo		Sapindaceae
240	Acer	rubrum		Sapindaceae
240	Acer	rubrum		Sapindaceae

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241	Saururus	cernuus		Saururaceae
242	Verbascum	thapsus		Scrophulariaceae
243	Smilax	glauca		Smilacaceae
244	Smilax	rotundifolia		Smilacaceae
245	Smilax	smallii		Smilacaceae
246	Solanum	carolinense		Solanaceae
247	Solanum	pseudocapsicum		Solanaceae
248	Solanum	ptychanthum		Solanaceae
249	Solanum	sarrachoides		Solanaceae
250	Staphylea	trifolia		Staphyleaceae
251	Halesia	carolina		Styracaceae
252	Sparganium	americanum		Typhaceae
253	Typha	latifolia		Typhaceae
254	Planera	aquatica		Ulmaceae
255	Ulmus	americana		Ulmaceae
256	Boehmeria	cylindrica		Urticaceae
257	Laportea	canadensis		Urticaceae
258	Verbena	bonariensis		Verbenaceae
259	Verbena	brasiliensis		Verbenaceae
260	Viola	arvensis		Violaceae
261	Viola	sororia		Violaceae
262	Ampelopsis	arborea		Vitaceae
263	Ampelopsis	cordata		Vitaceae
264	Vitis	rotundifolia		Vitaceae