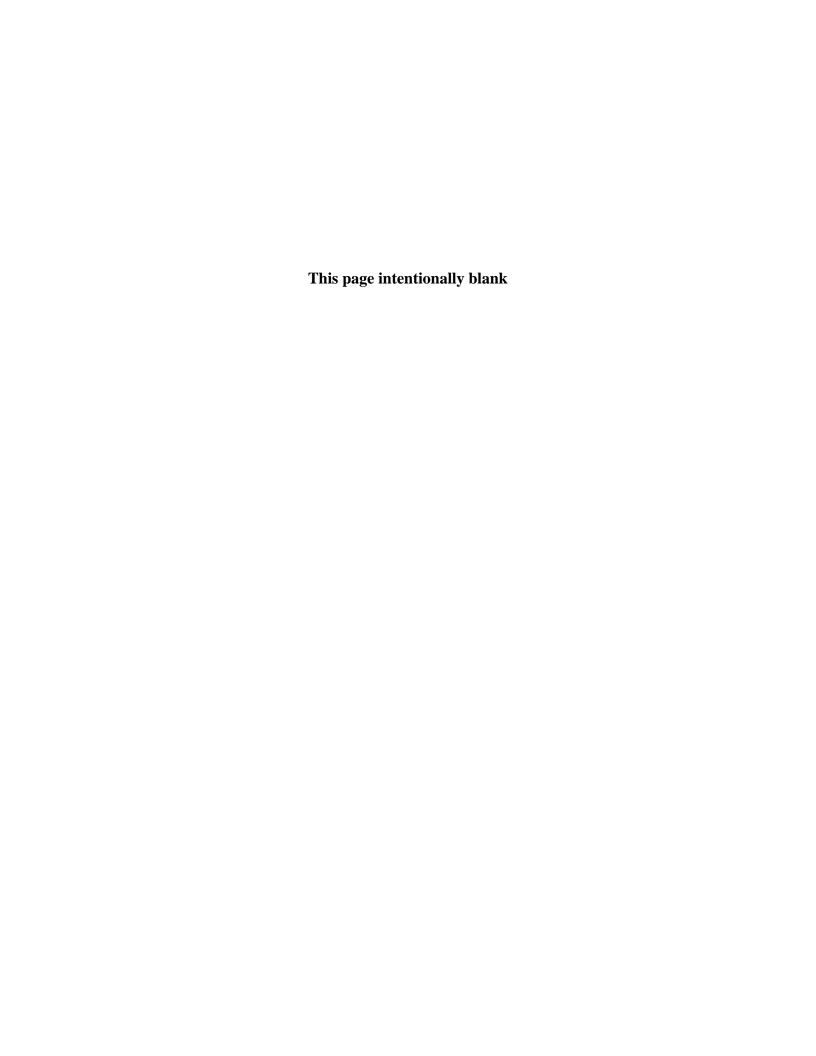
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT APPENDIX P: Fishery Habitat Maps

SAVANNAH HARBOR EXPANSION PROJECT

Chatham County, Georgia and Jasper County, South Carolina

January 2012





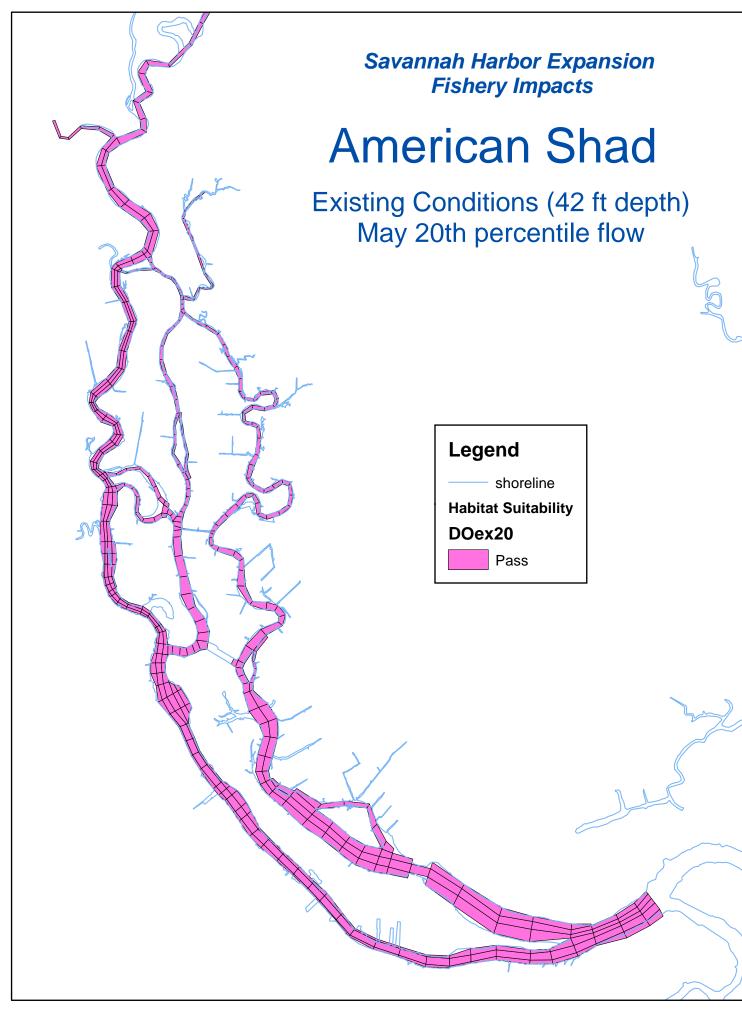
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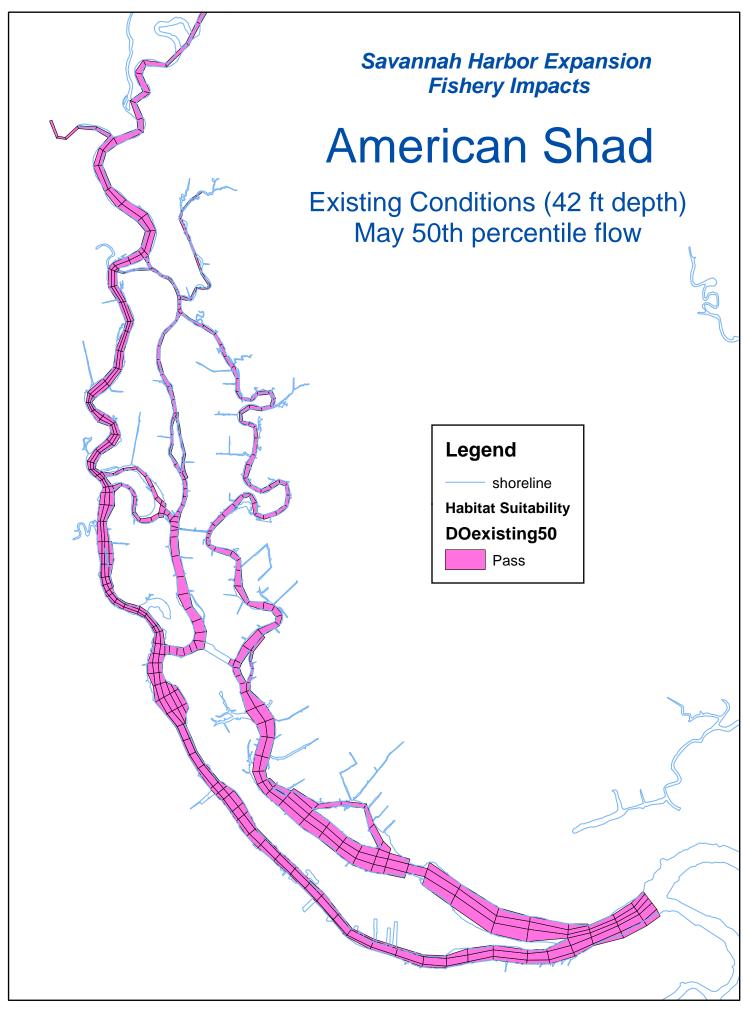
SPECIES & LIFE STAGE	FRESHWATER FLOW CONDITIONS	SIMULATION PERIOD	HABITAT CRITERIA
Striped Bass (spawning)	20%-tile of Long Term	April	Suitable habitat when (1) 90th percentile salinity <= 1 ppt, and (2) Mean velocity >= 30 cm/s
	50%-tile of Long Term	April	
	80%-tile of Long Term	April	
Striped Bass (eggs)	20%-tile of Long Term	April	Suitable habitat when (1) Mean 50th percentile salinity <= 9 ppt, (2) Mean velocity >= 30 cm/s, and (3) 10th percentile D.O. >= 4.5 mg/l
	50%-tile of Long Term	April	
	80%-tile of Long Term	April	
Striped Bass (larvae)	20%-tile of Long Term	May	Suitable habitat when (1) Mean 50th percentile salinity between 3 and 9 ppt, and (2) Mean 10th percentile D.O. >= 4.5 mg/l
	50%-tile of Long Term	May	
	80%-tile of Long Term	May	
Southern Flounder	50%-tile of Long Term	August*	Suitable habitat when DO >= 4.0 mg/l at 90% exceedance (10th %ile)
American Shad	50%-tile of Long Term	January	Suitable habitat when D.O. >= 4.0 mg/l at 90% exceedance (10th percentile)
	50%-tile of Long Term	May	
	50%-tile of Long Term	August*	
Shortnose Sturgeon (adult)	50%-tile of Long Term	January	Suitable habitat when DO >= 3.5 mg/l at 90% exceedance (10 th %ile), >=3.0 at 95% (5th percentile), and >=2.0 at 99% (1 percentile) Suitable habitat when Max Salinity <= 25 ppt
Shortnose Sturgeon (adult)	50%-tile of Long Term	August*	Suitable habitat when DO >= 4.0 mg/l at 90% exceedance (10th %ile), >=3.0 at 95% (5th percentile), and >=2.0 at 99% (1 percentile) Suitable habitat when Max Salinity <= 10 ppt
Shortnose Sturgeon (juvenile)	50%-tile of Long Term	January	Suitable habitat when DO >= 3.5 mg/l at 90% exceedance (10th %ile), >=3.0 at 95% (5th percentile), and >=2.0 at 99% (1 percentile) Suitable habitat when Max Salinity <= 4 ppt

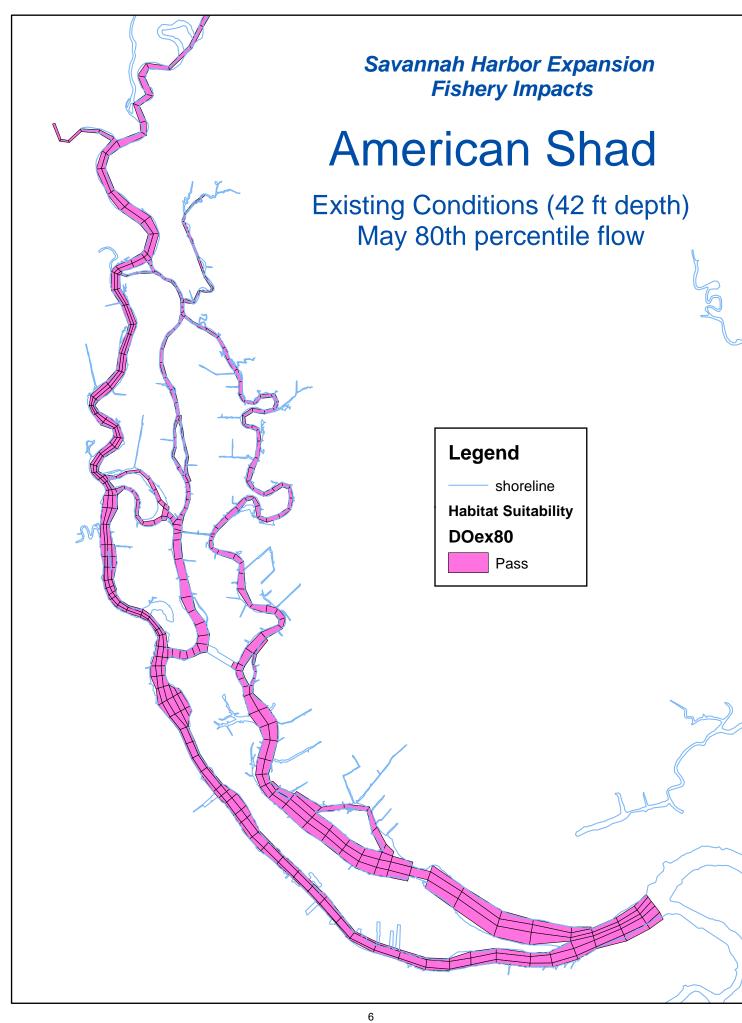


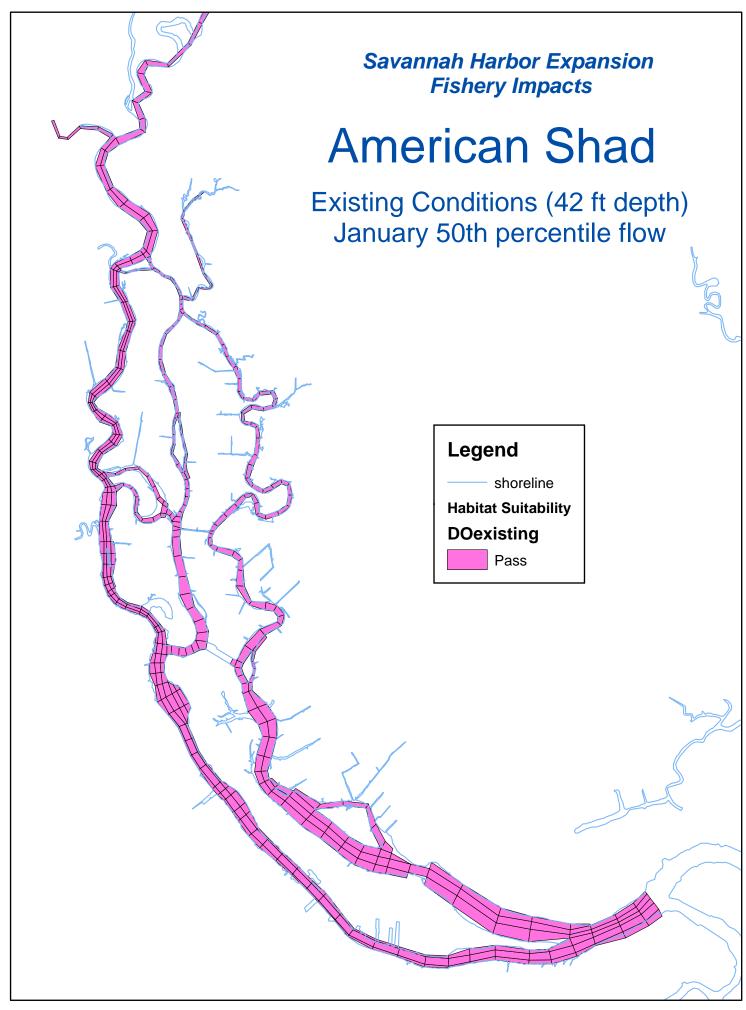
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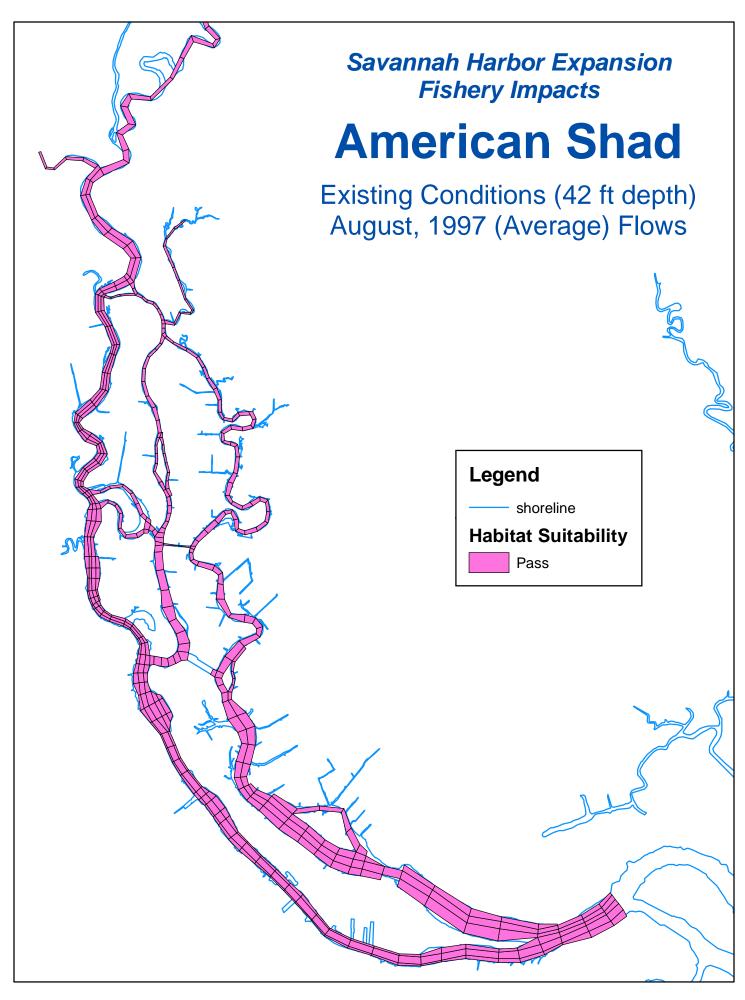
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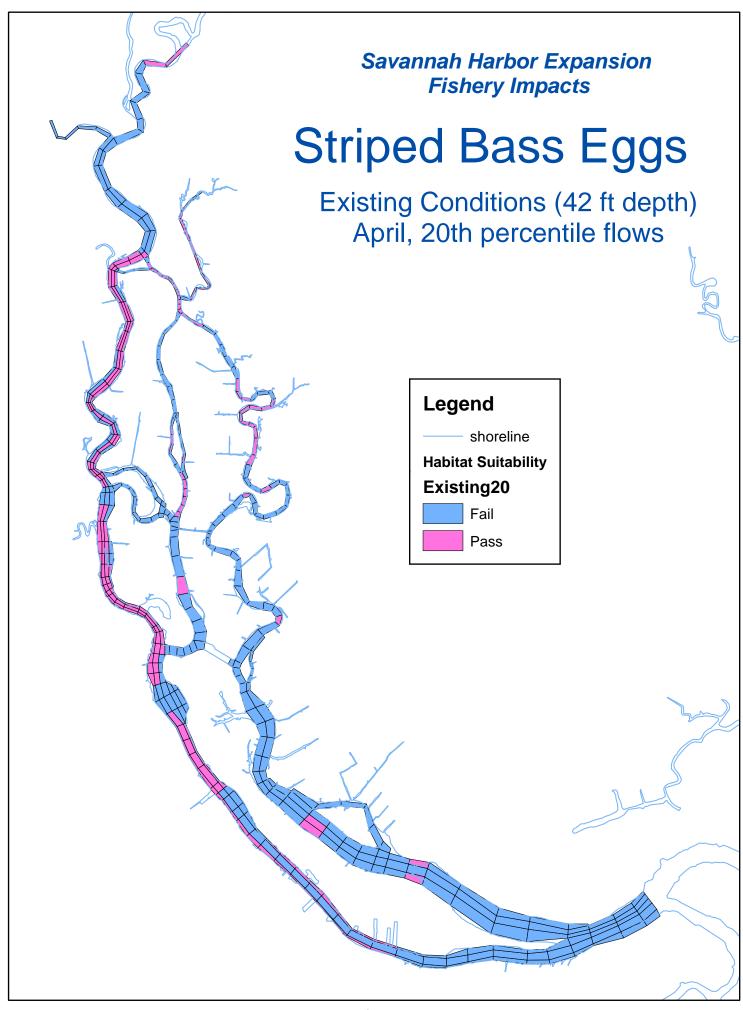


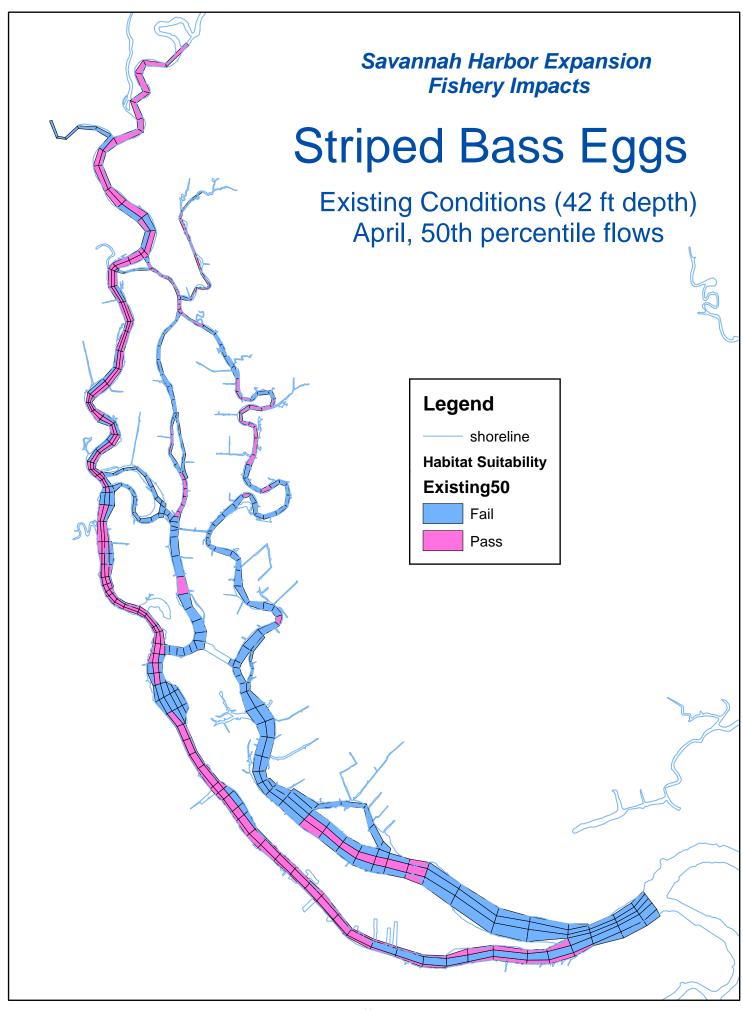


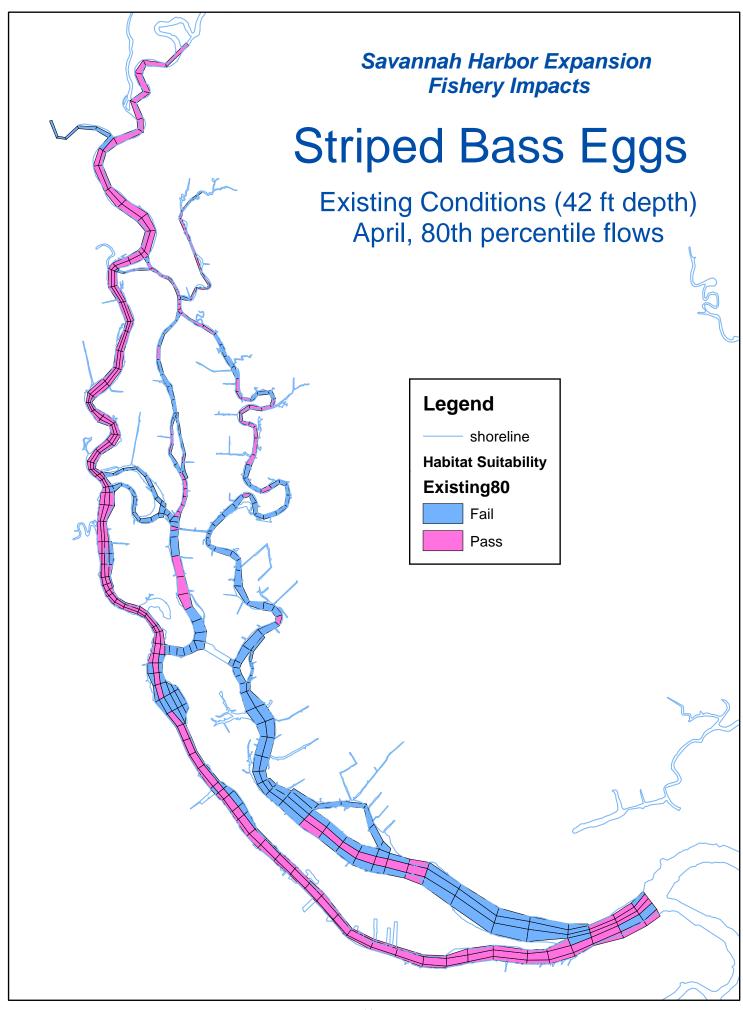


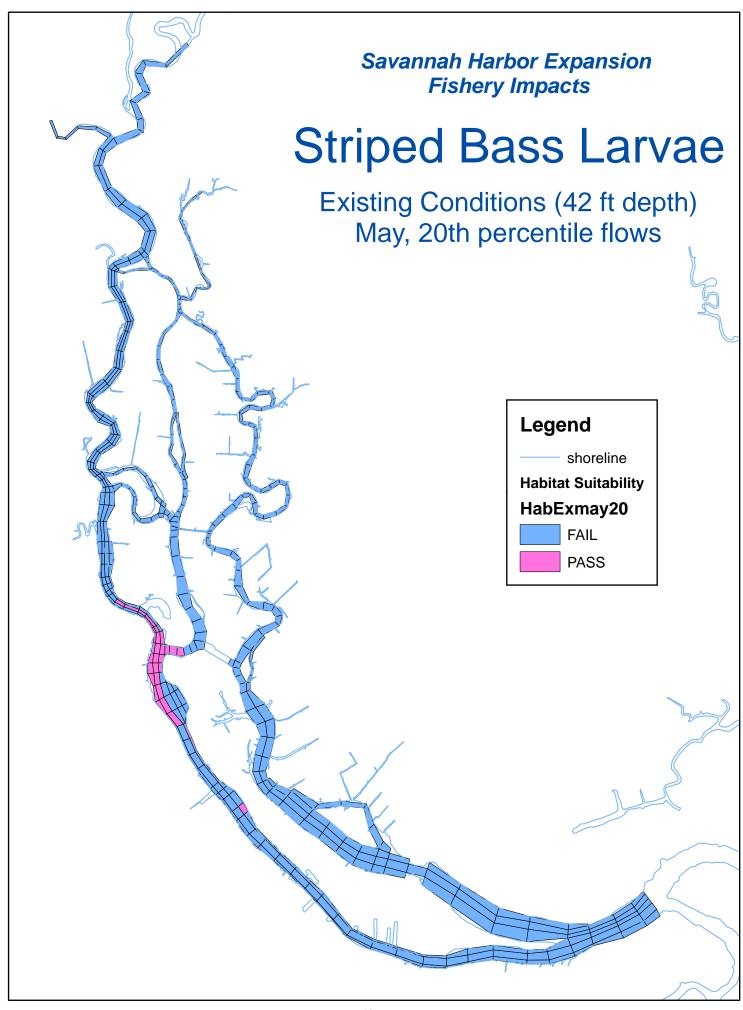


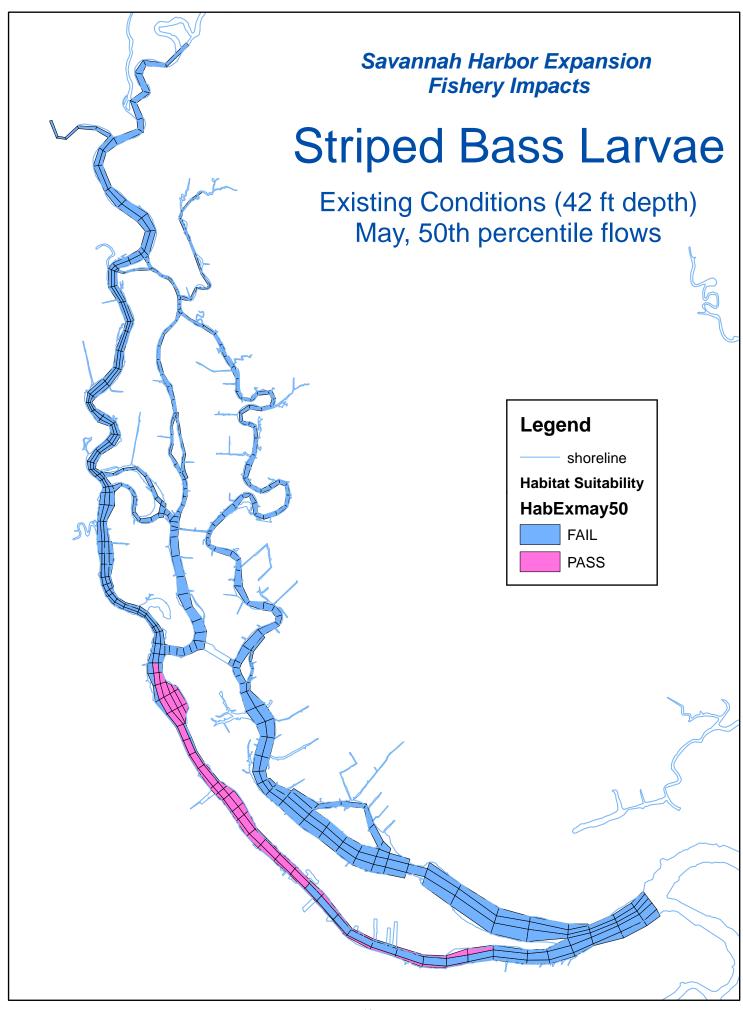


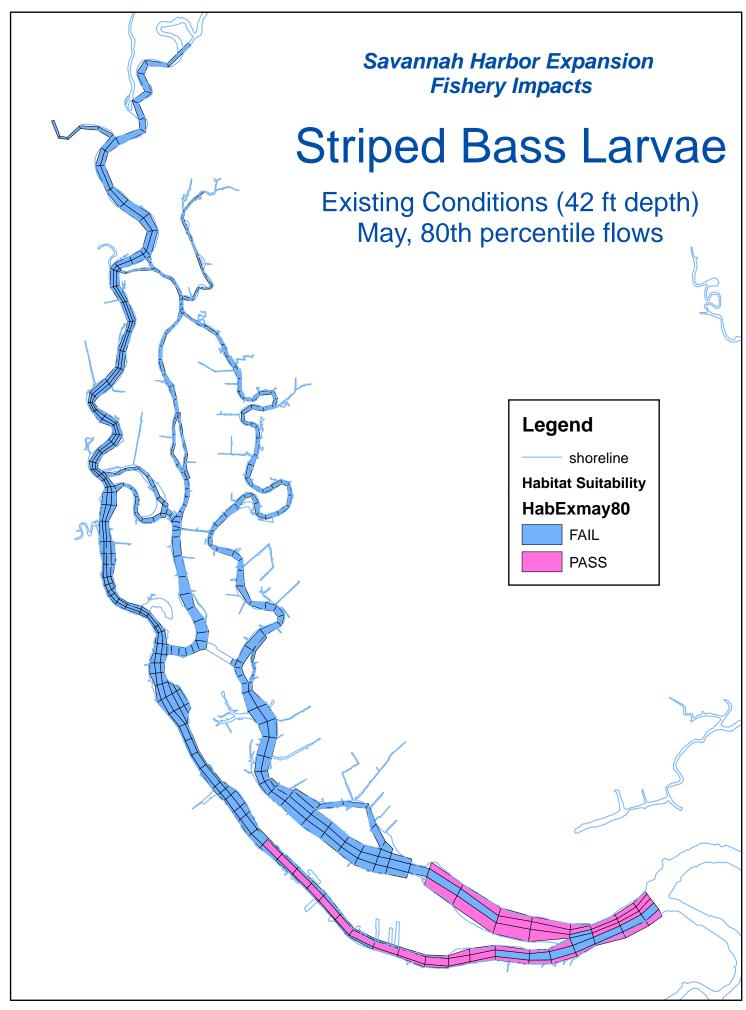


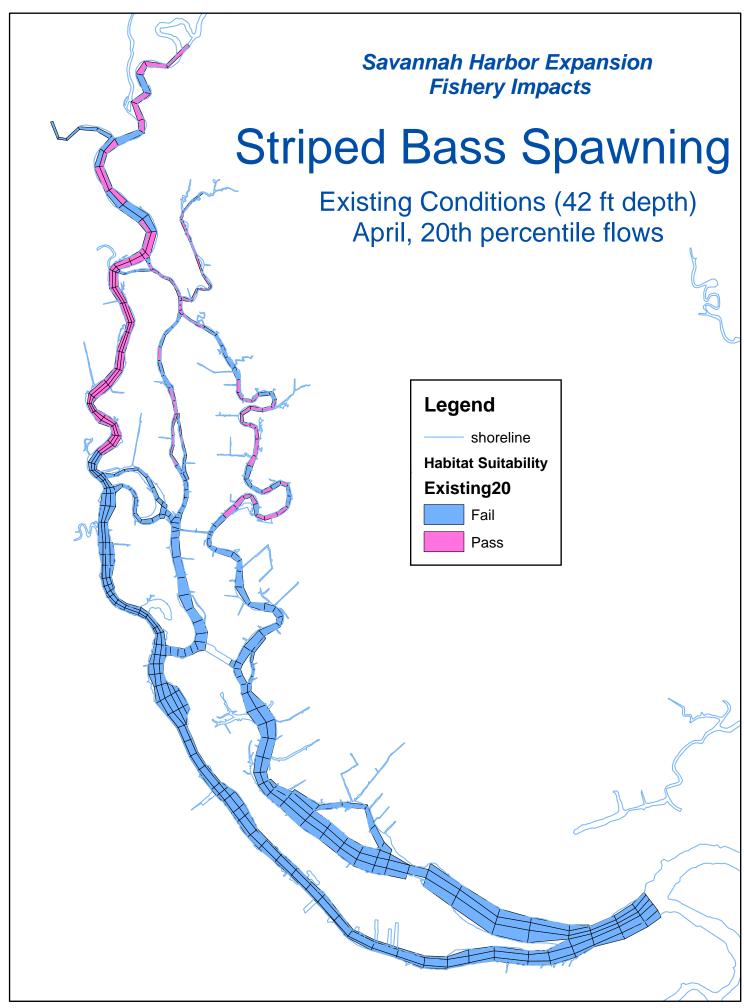


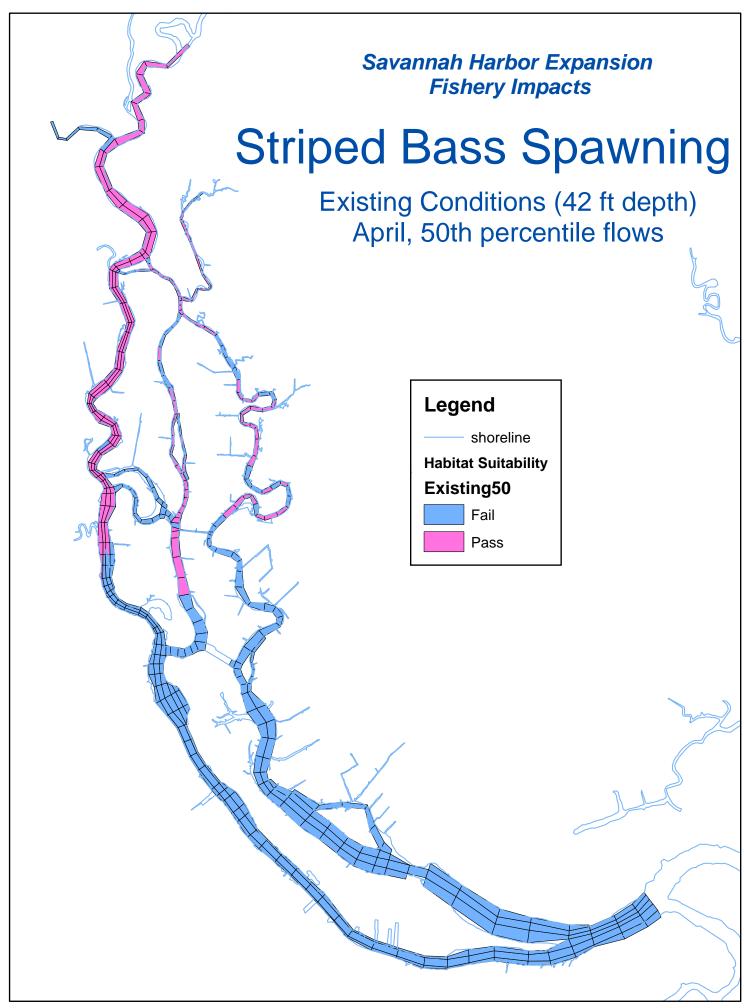


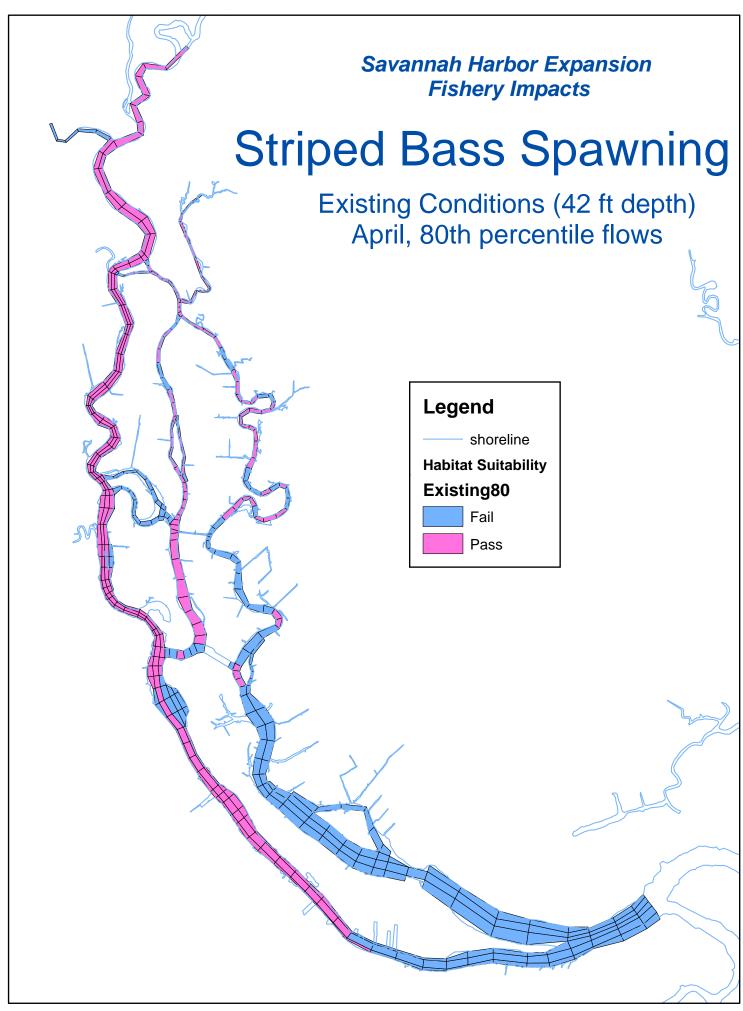


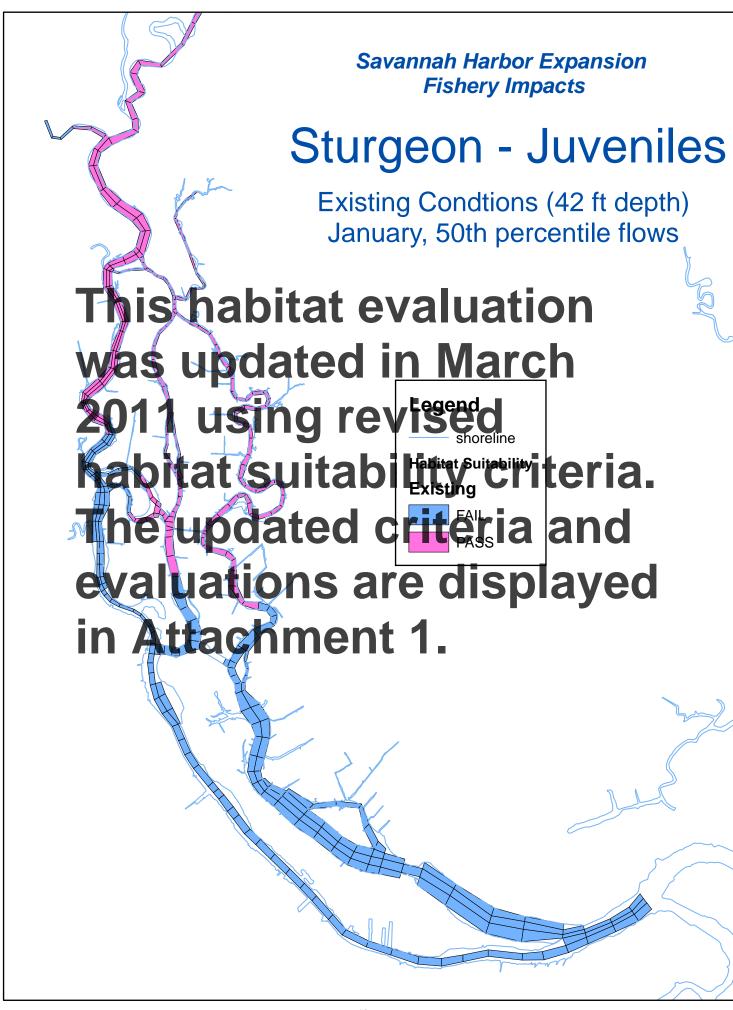


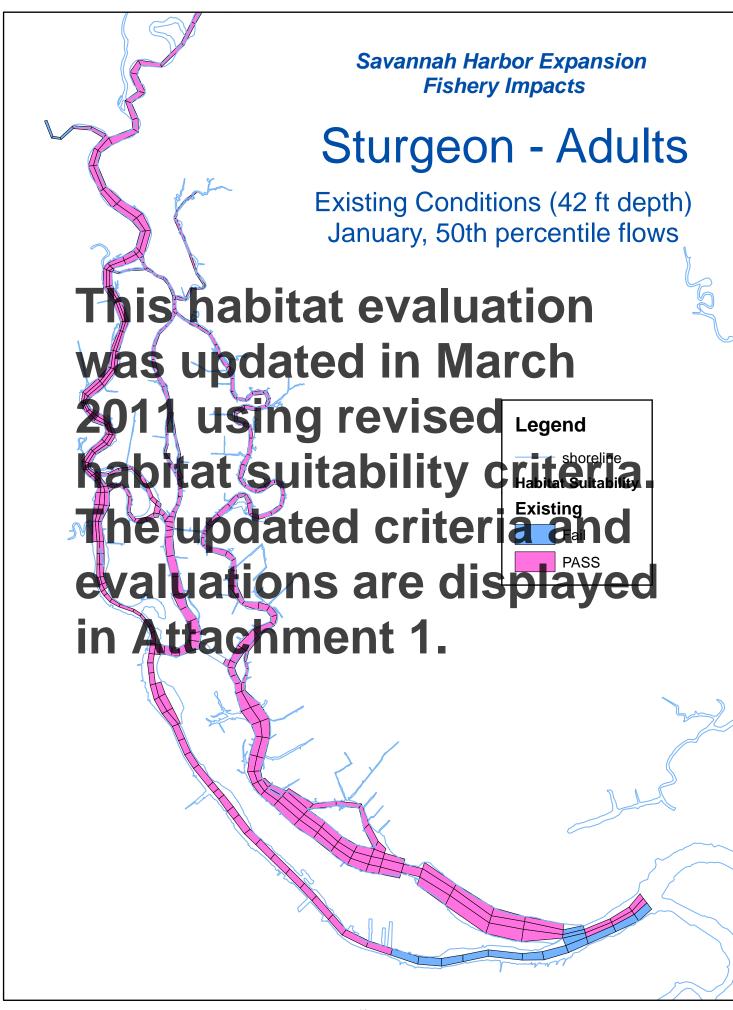


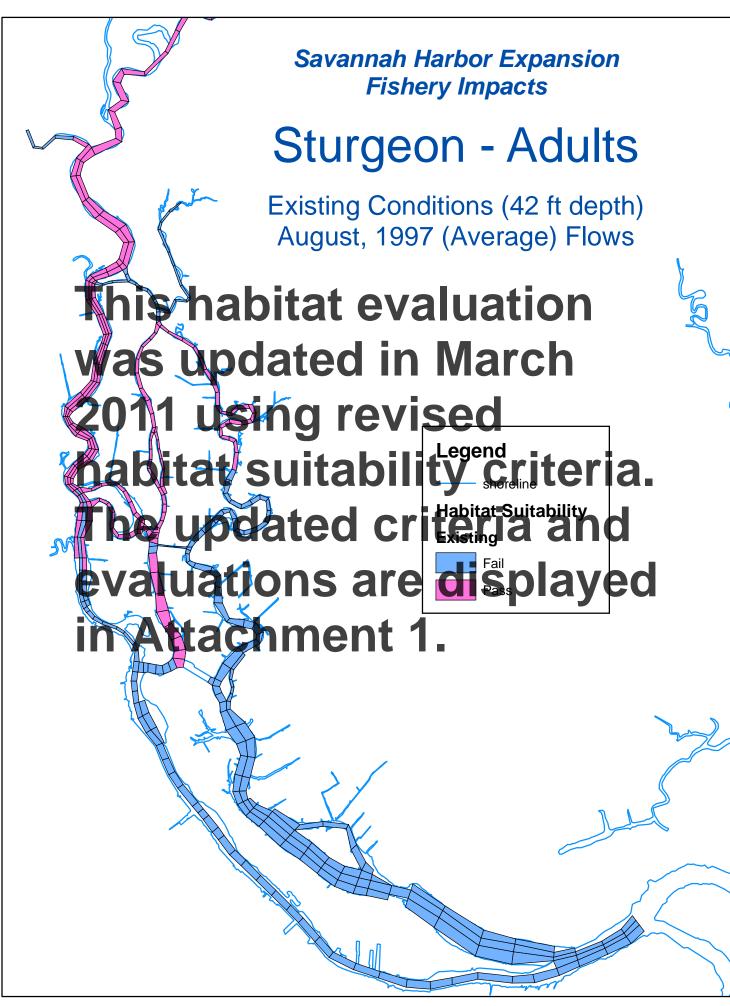


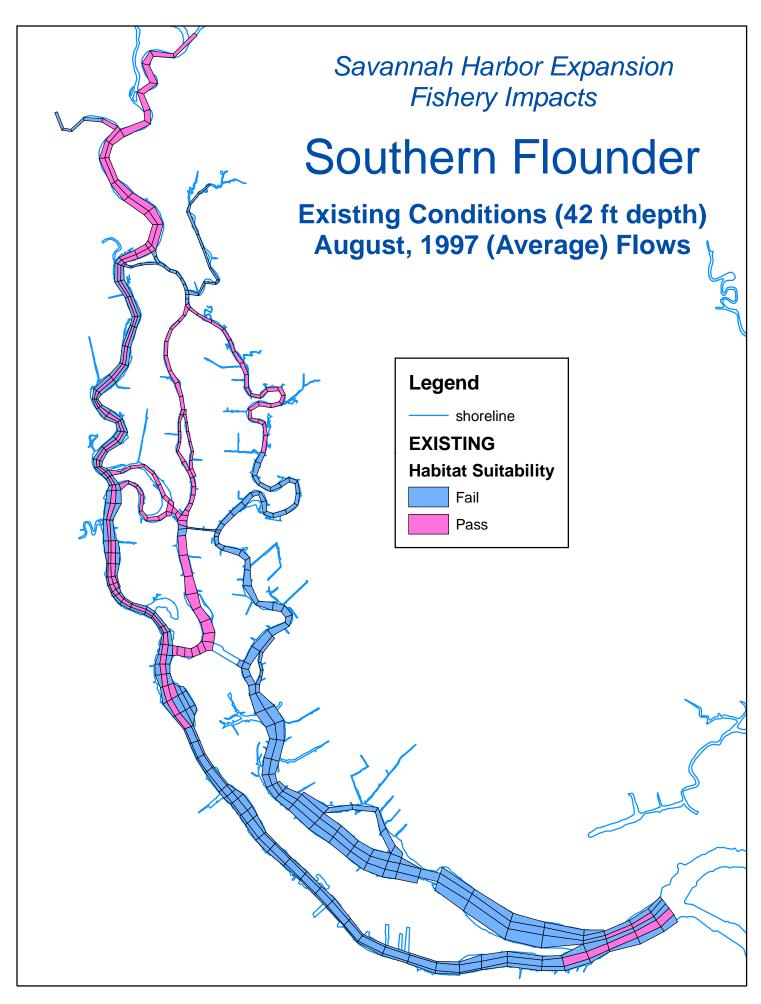






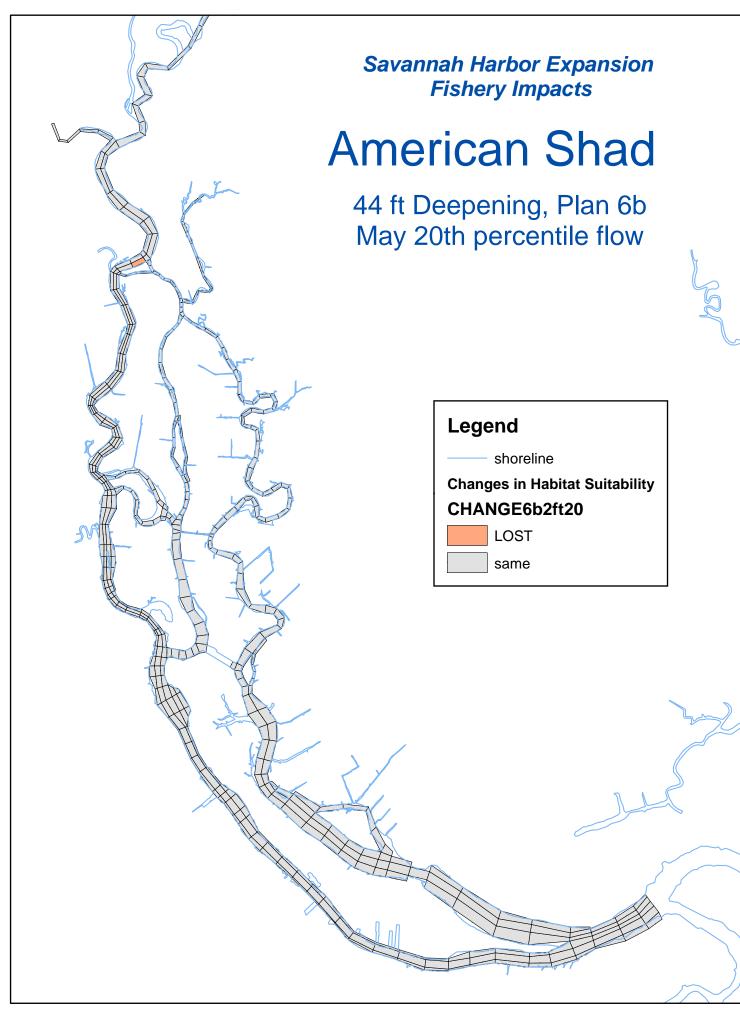


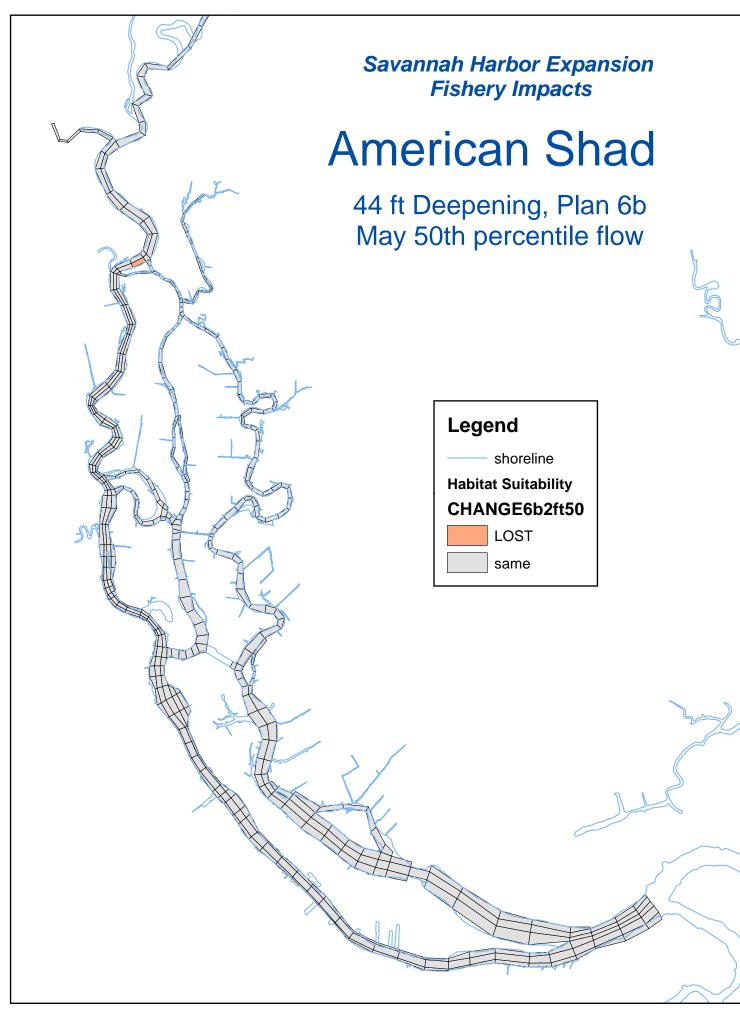


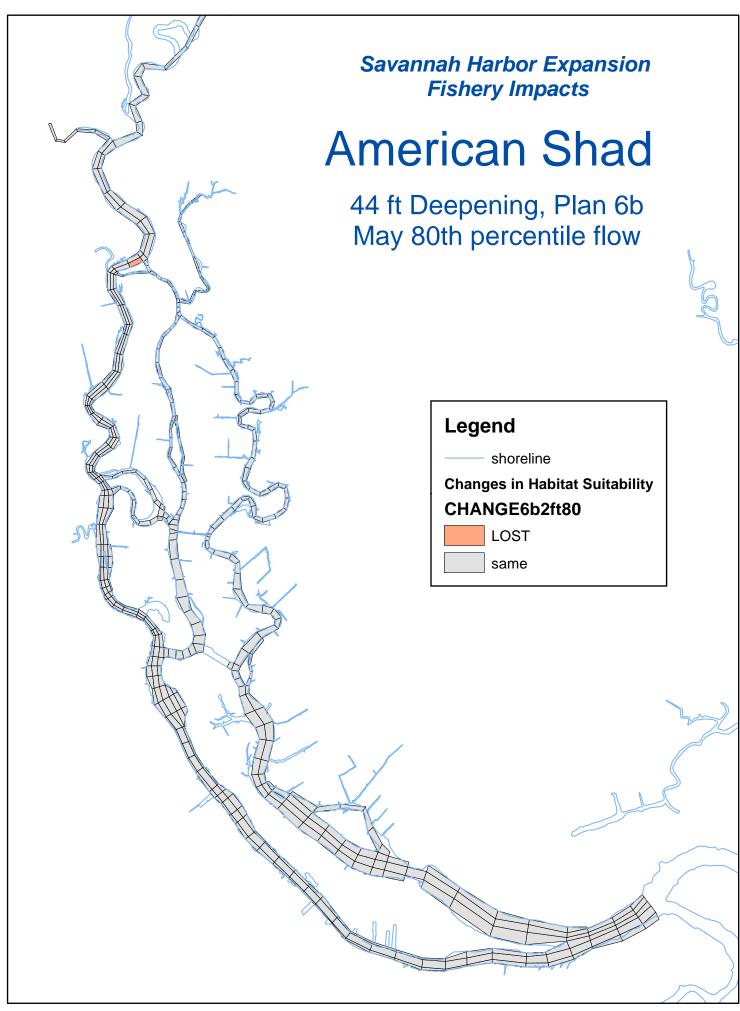


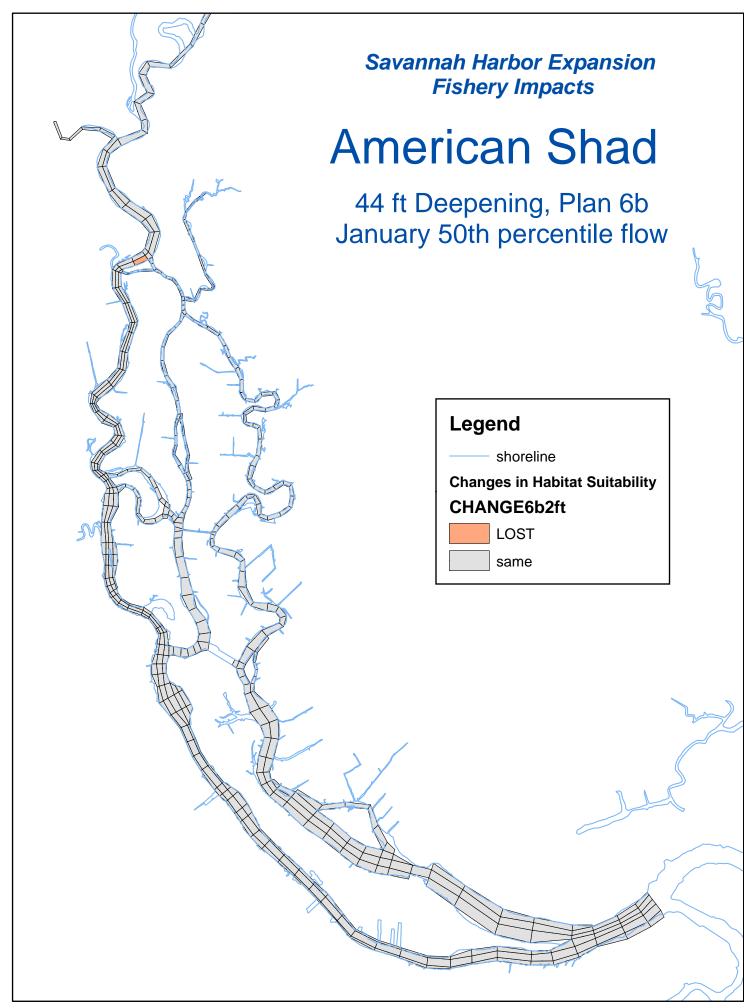
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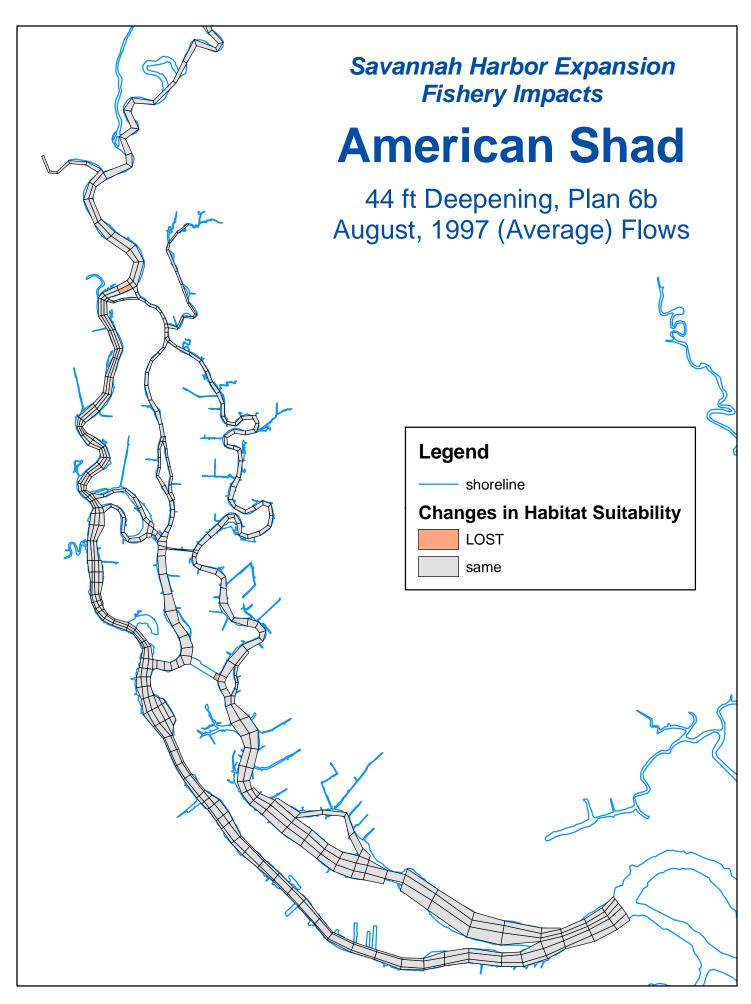
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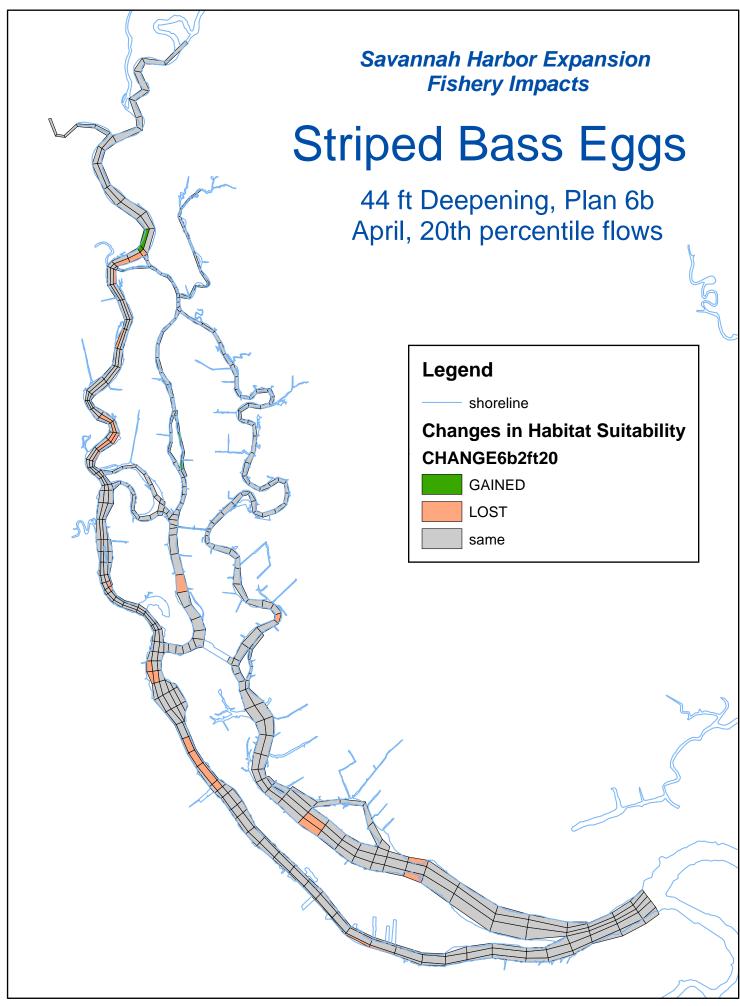


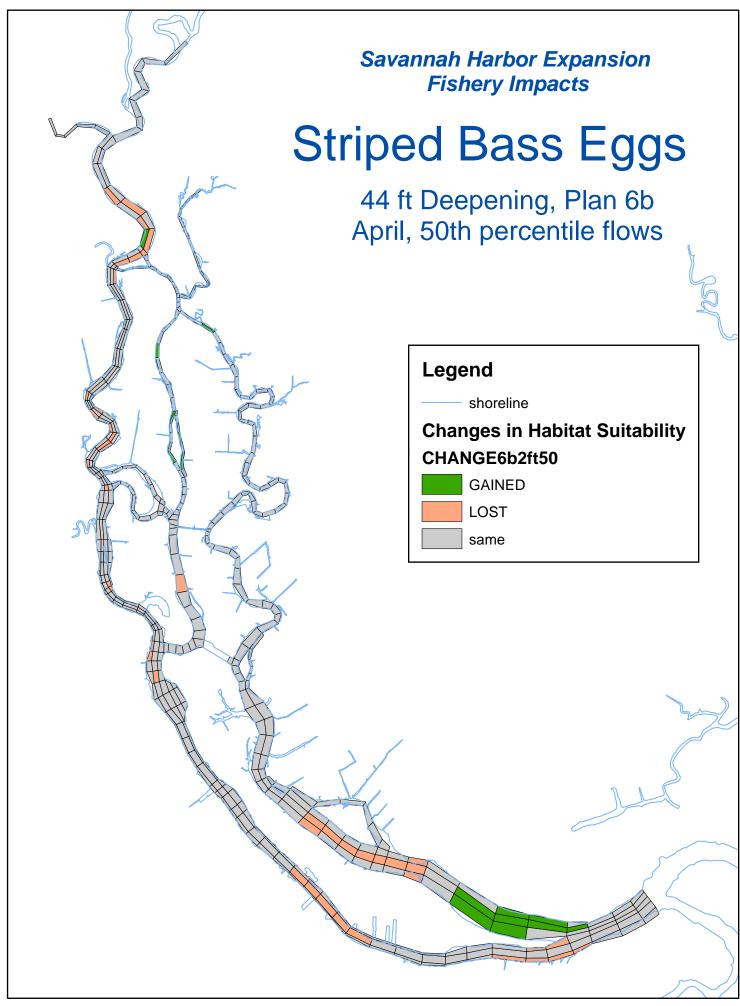


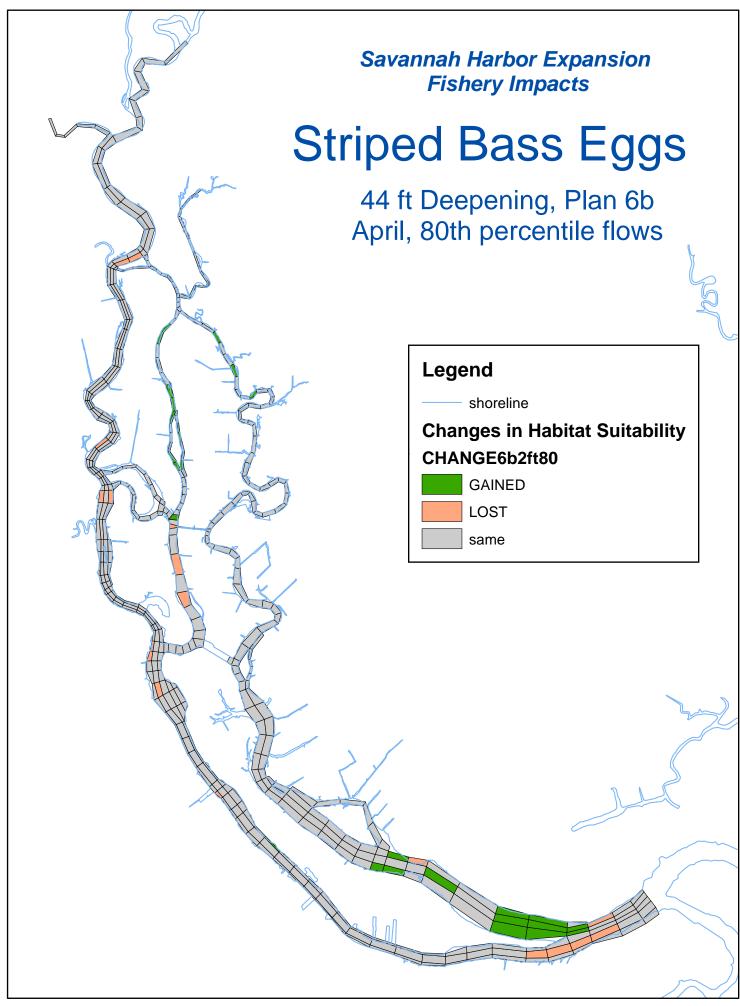


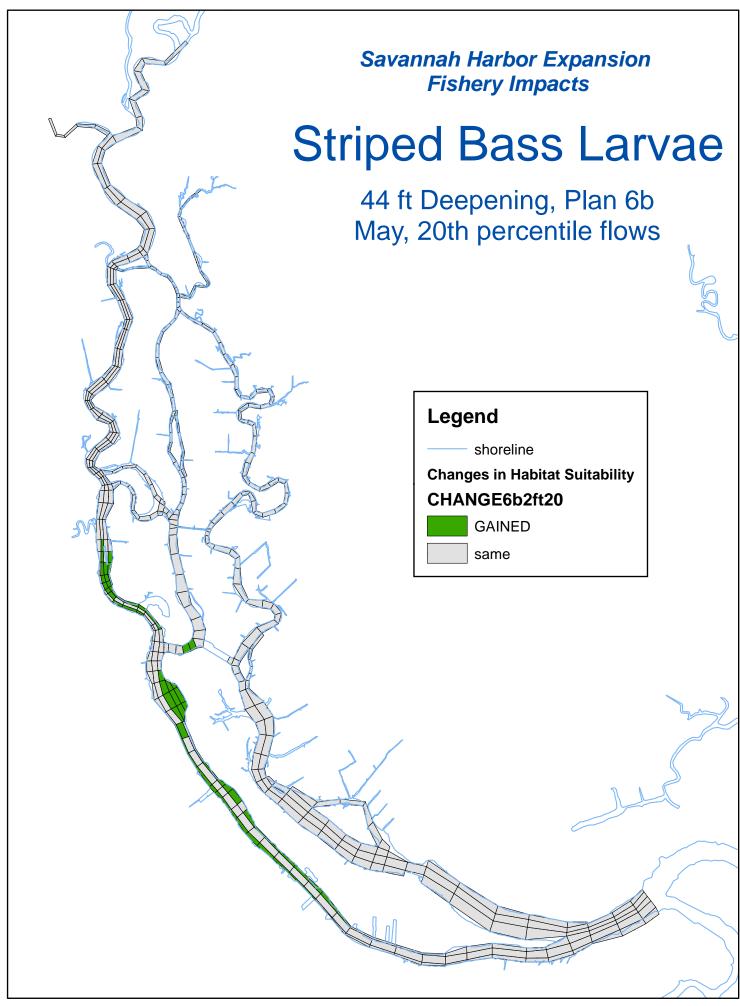


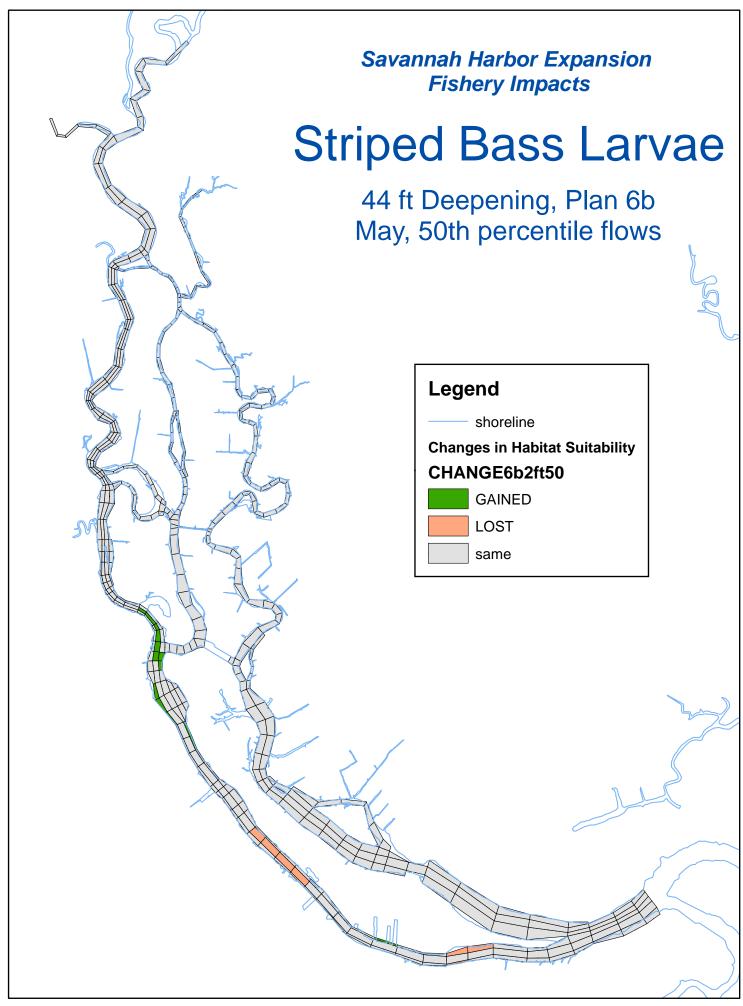


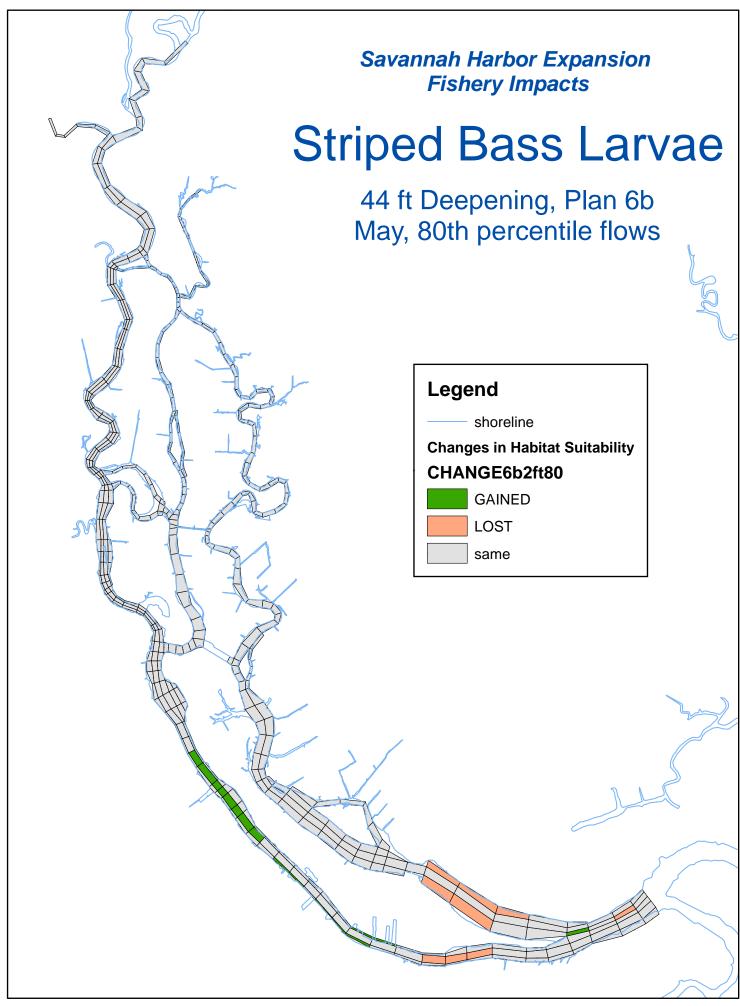


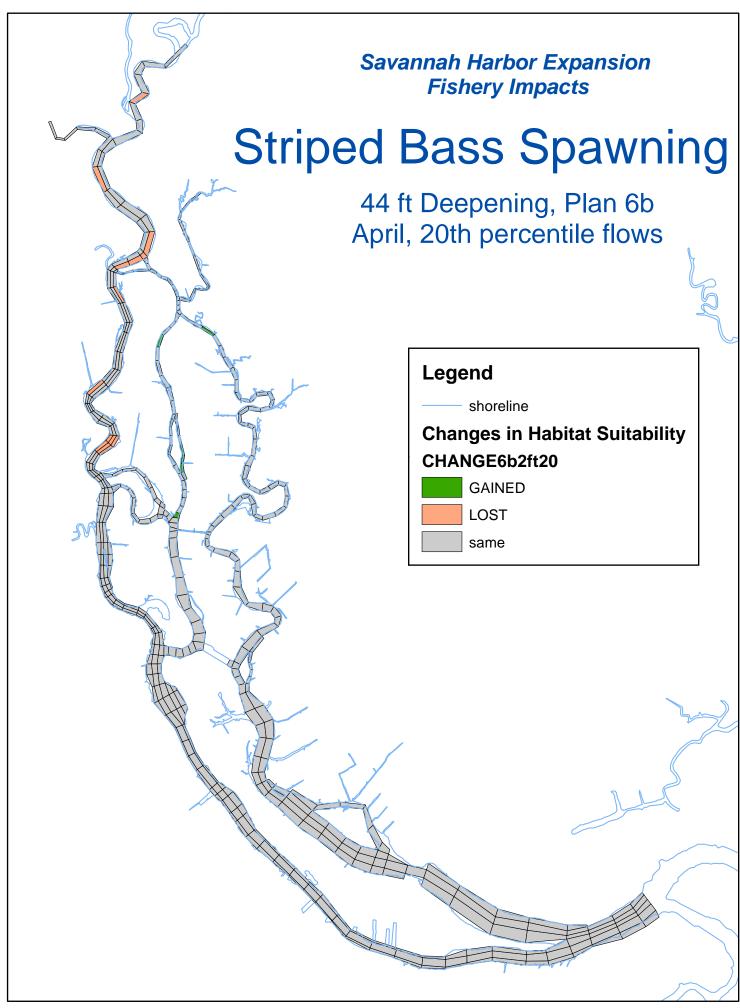


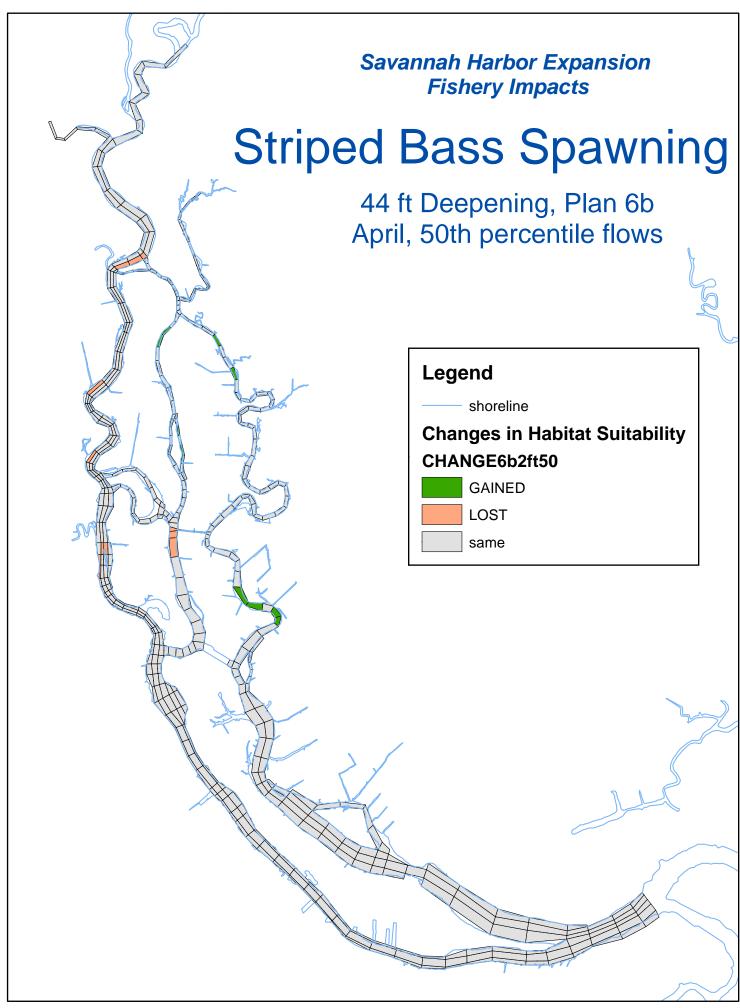


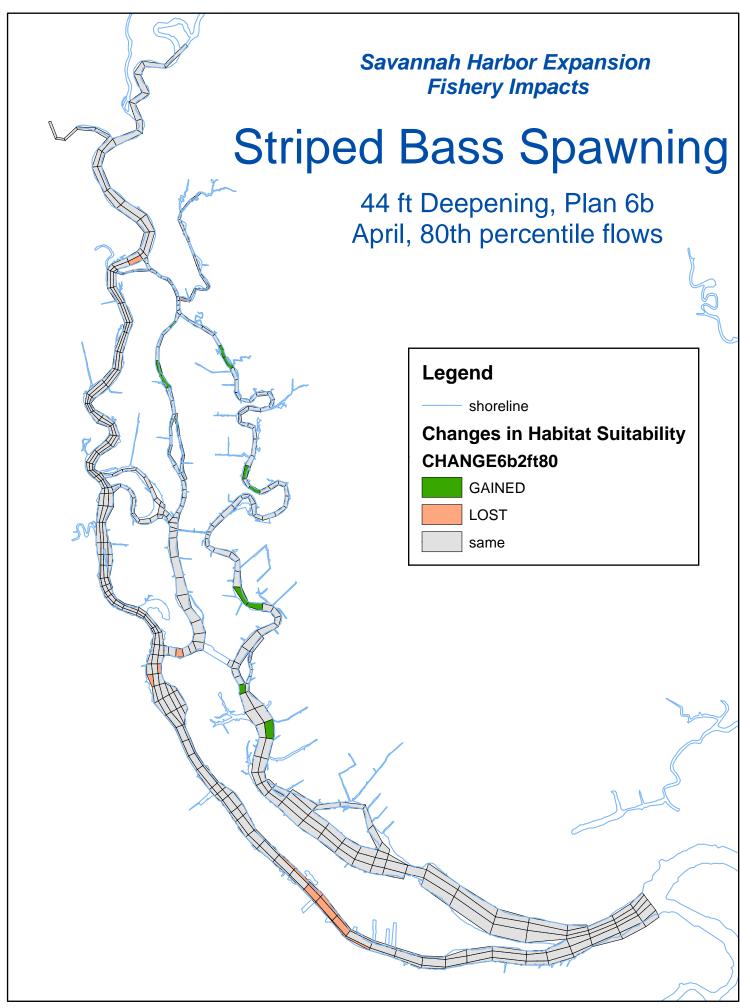


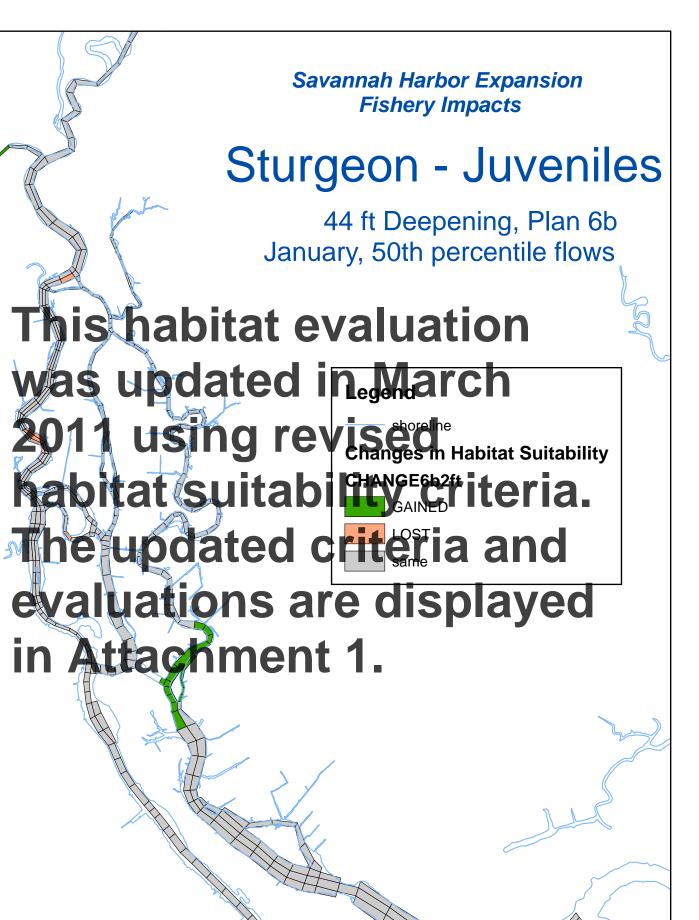








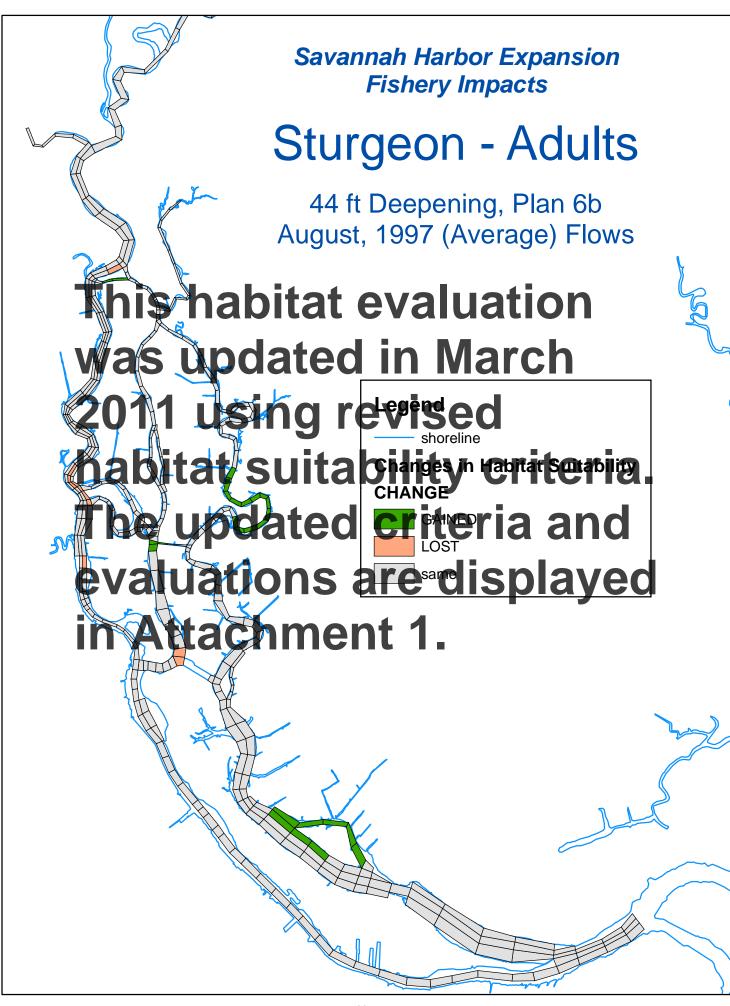


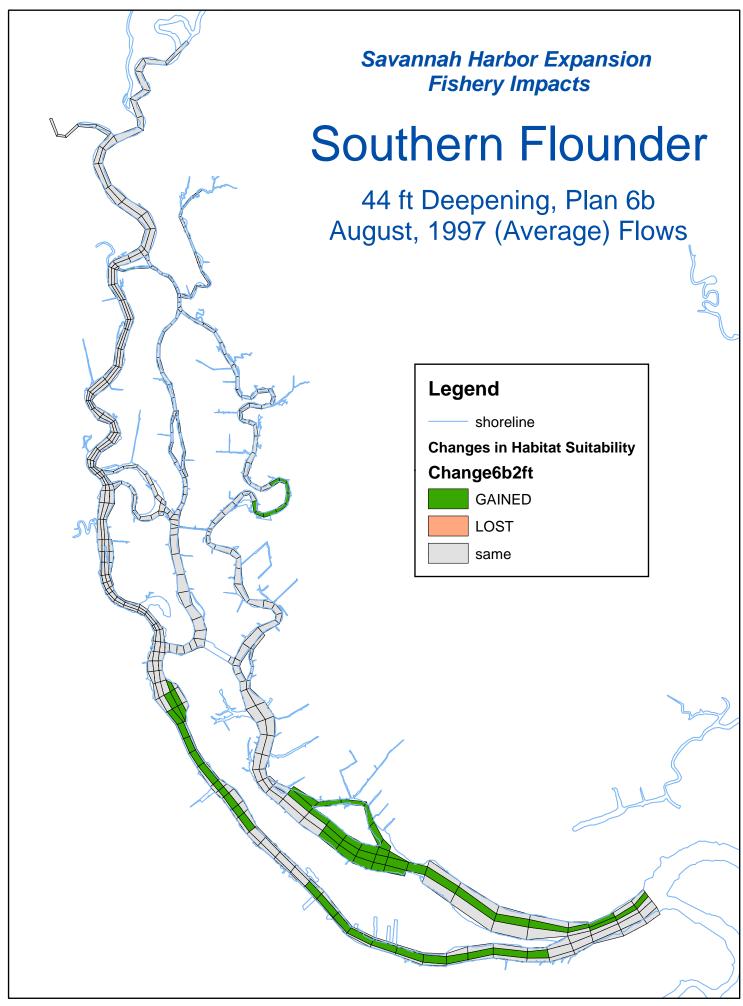




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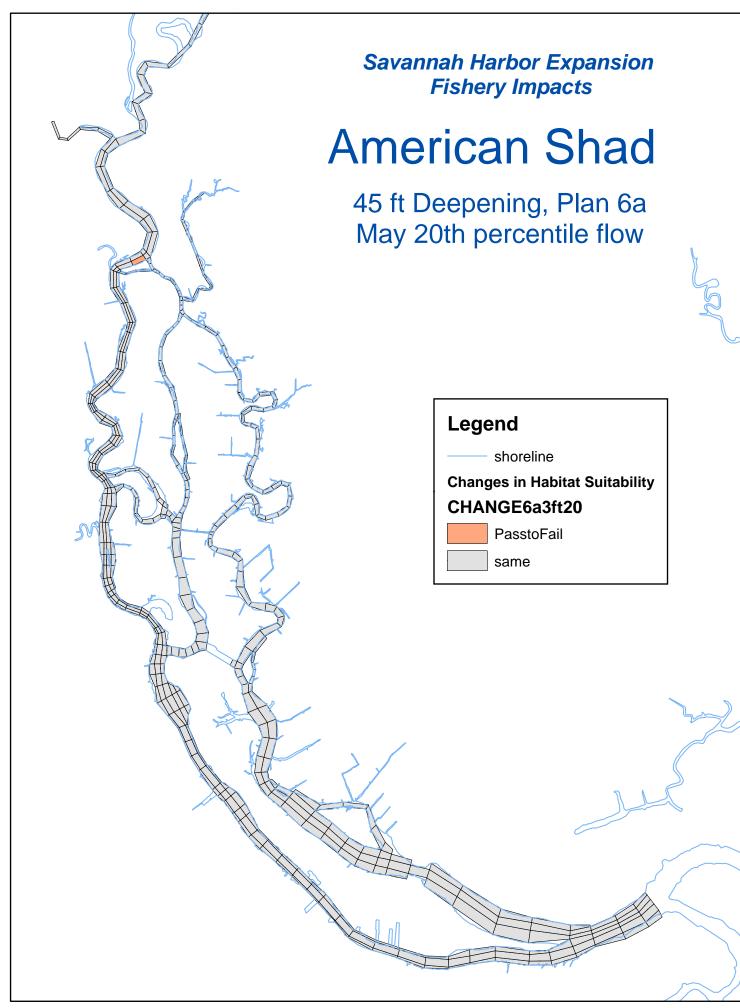
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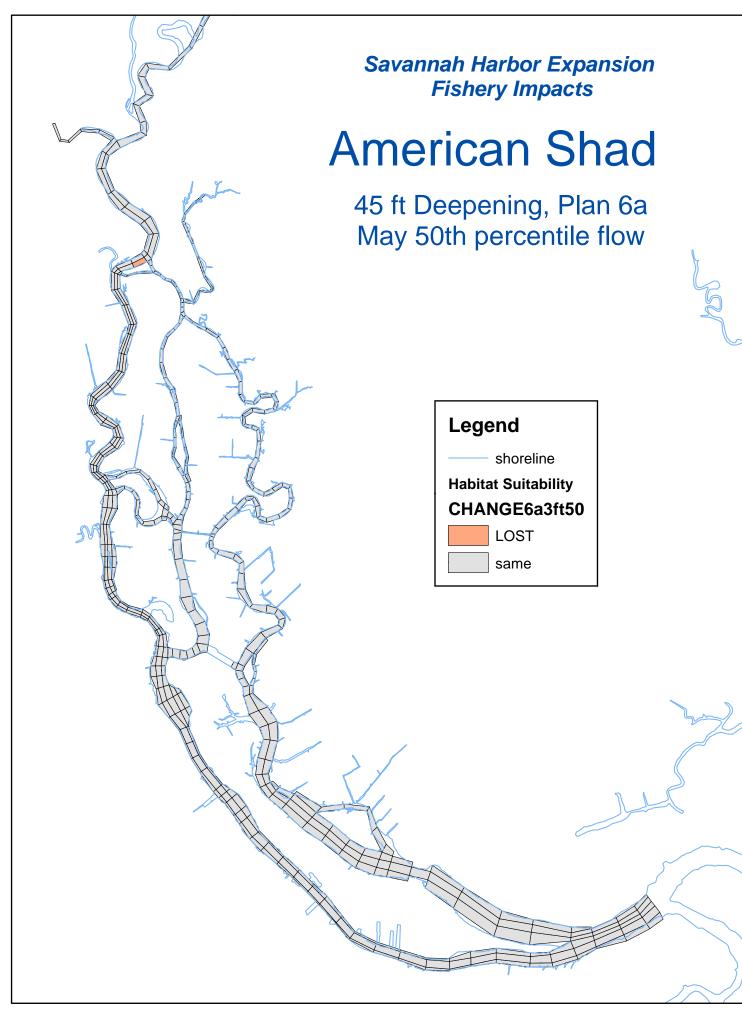


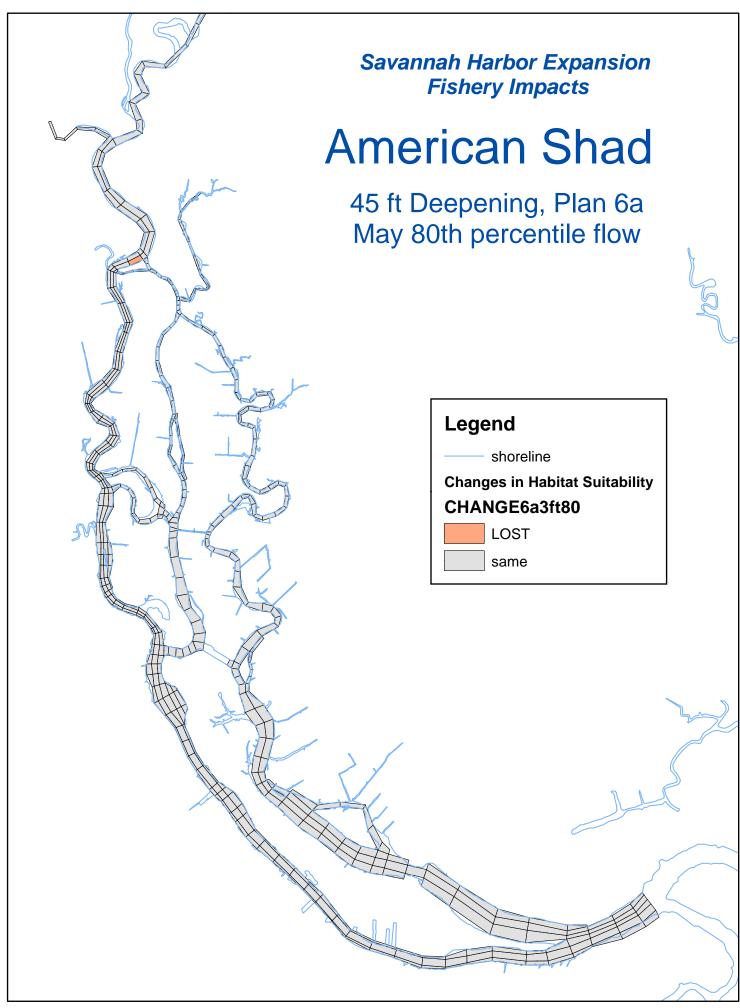


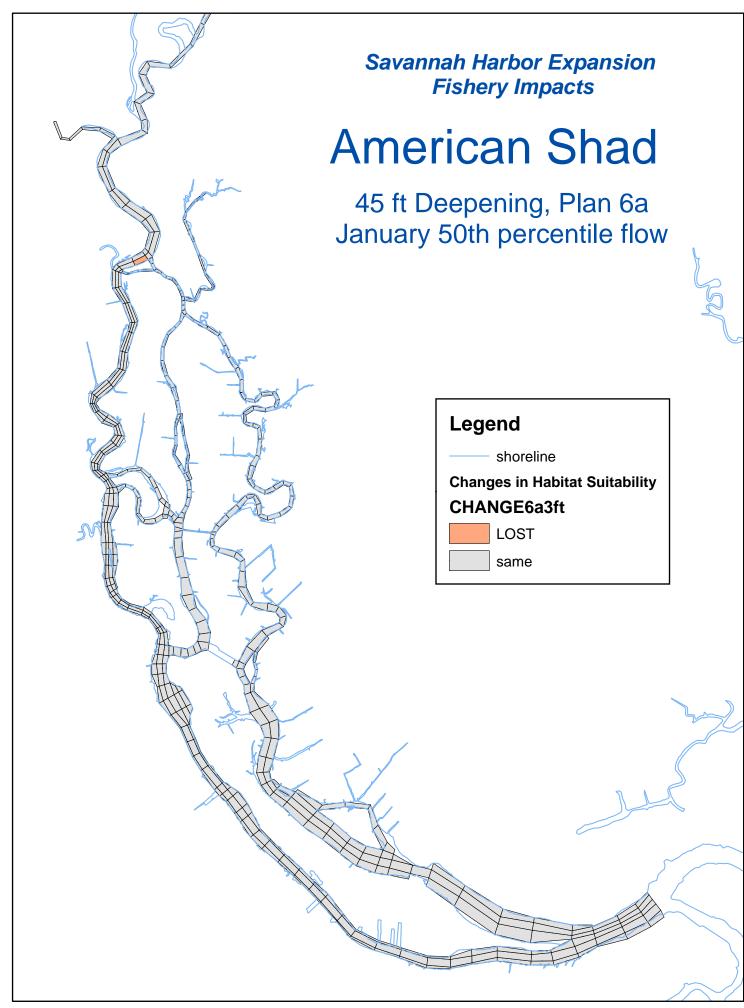
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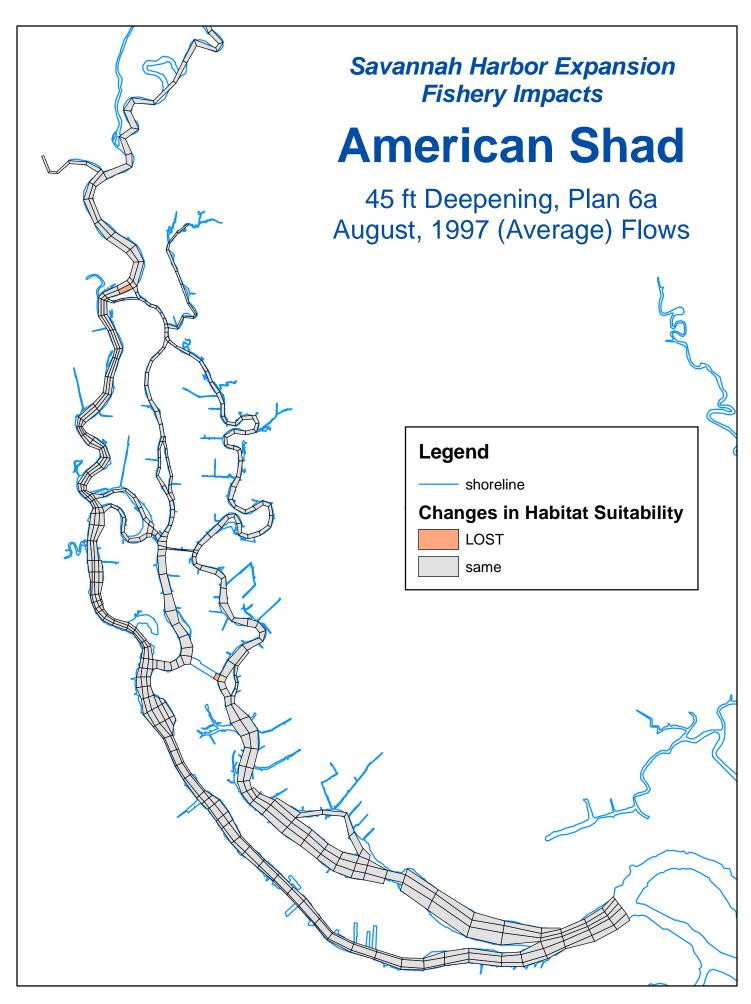
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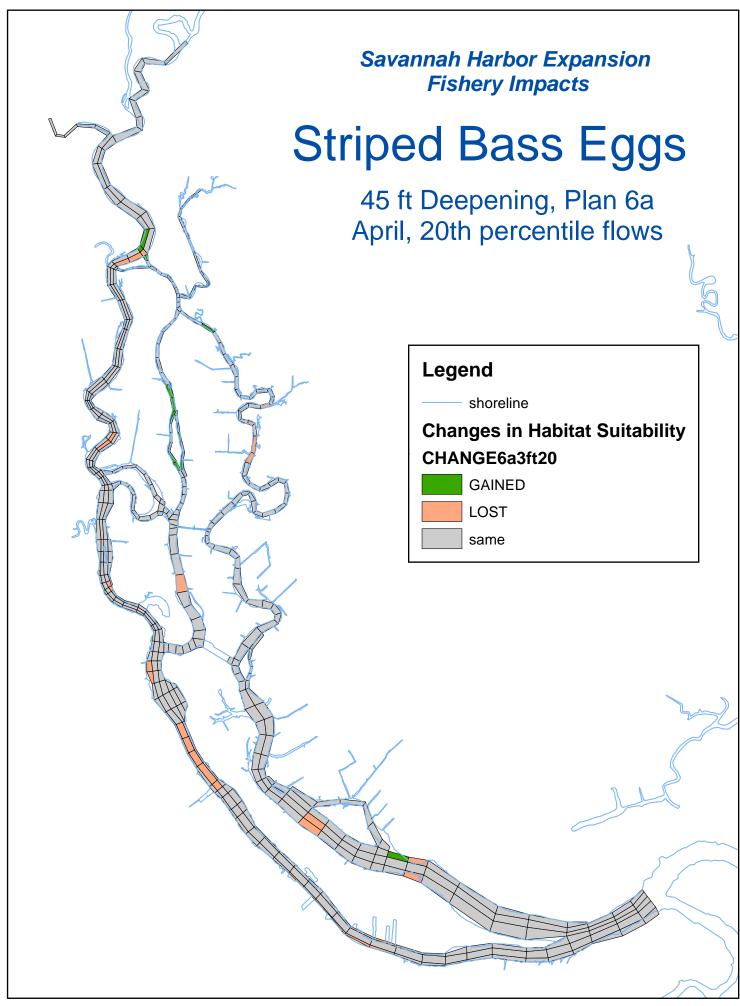


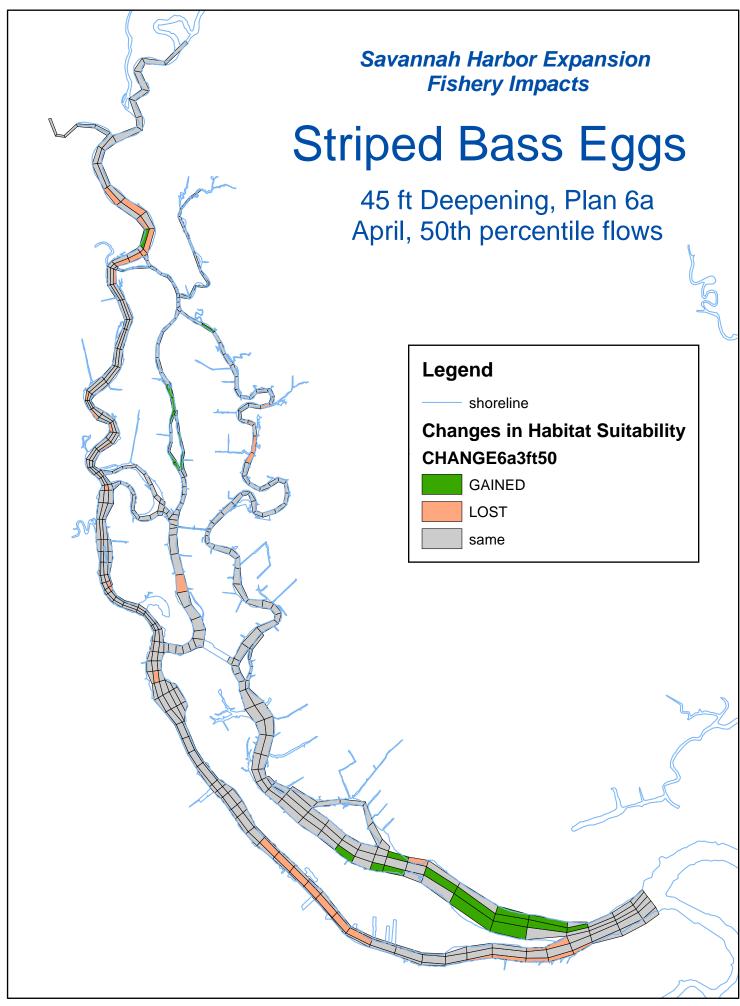


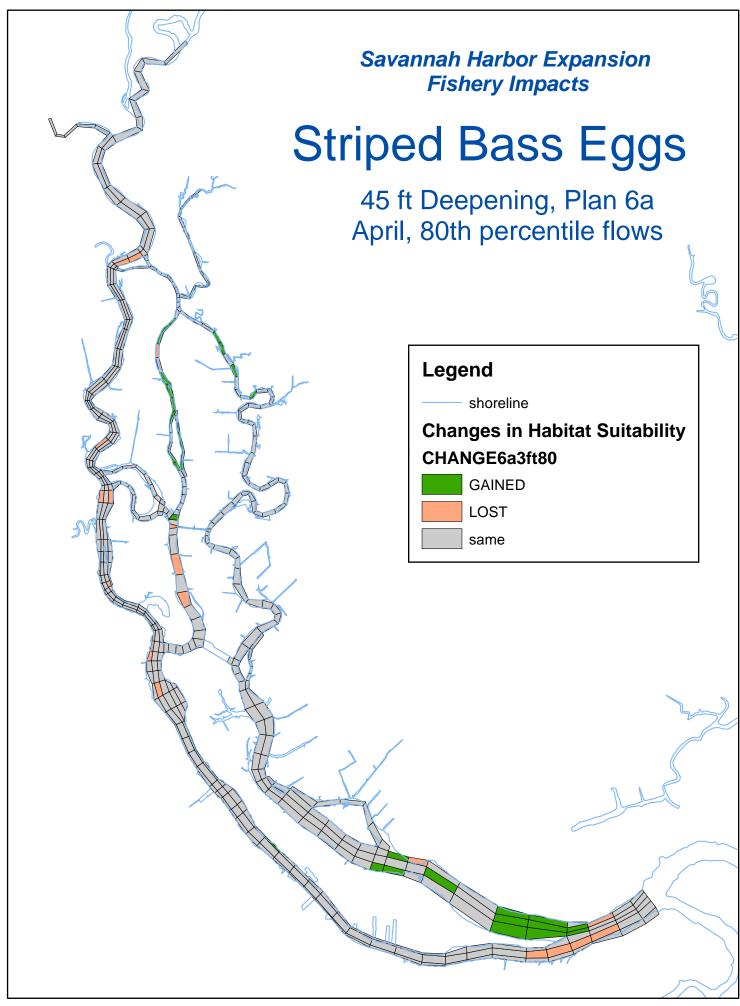


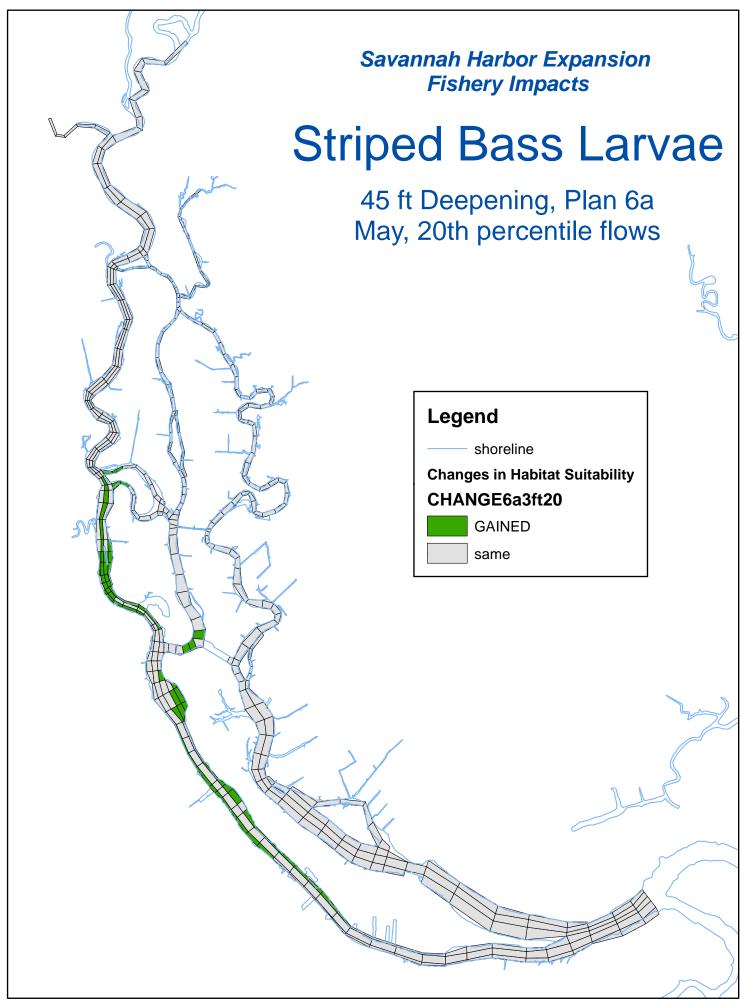


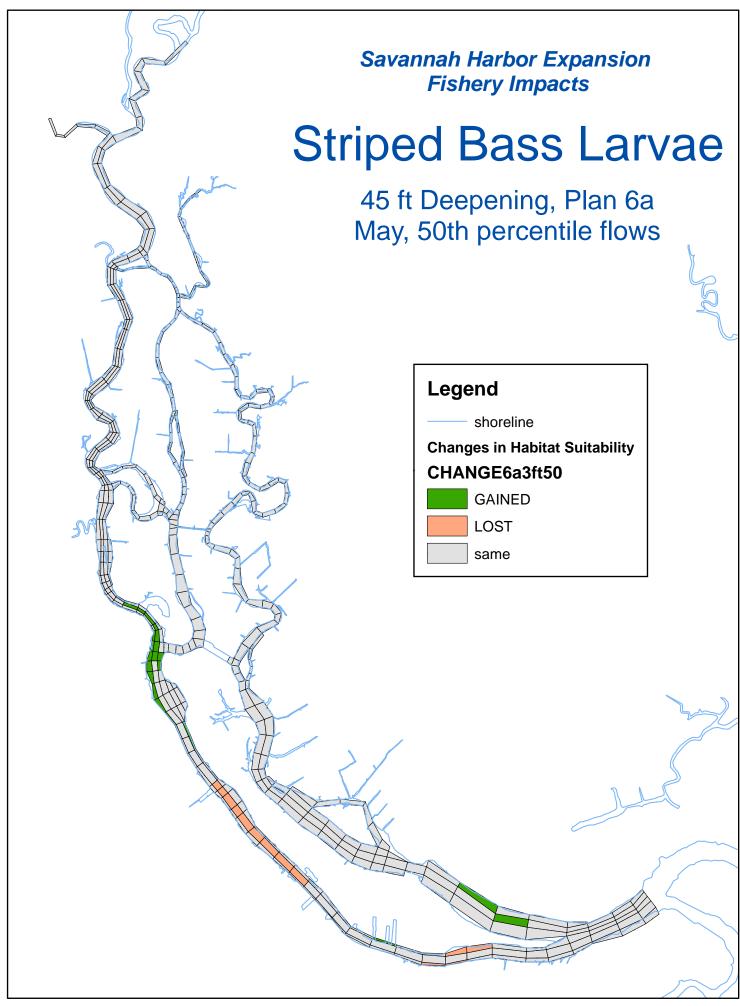


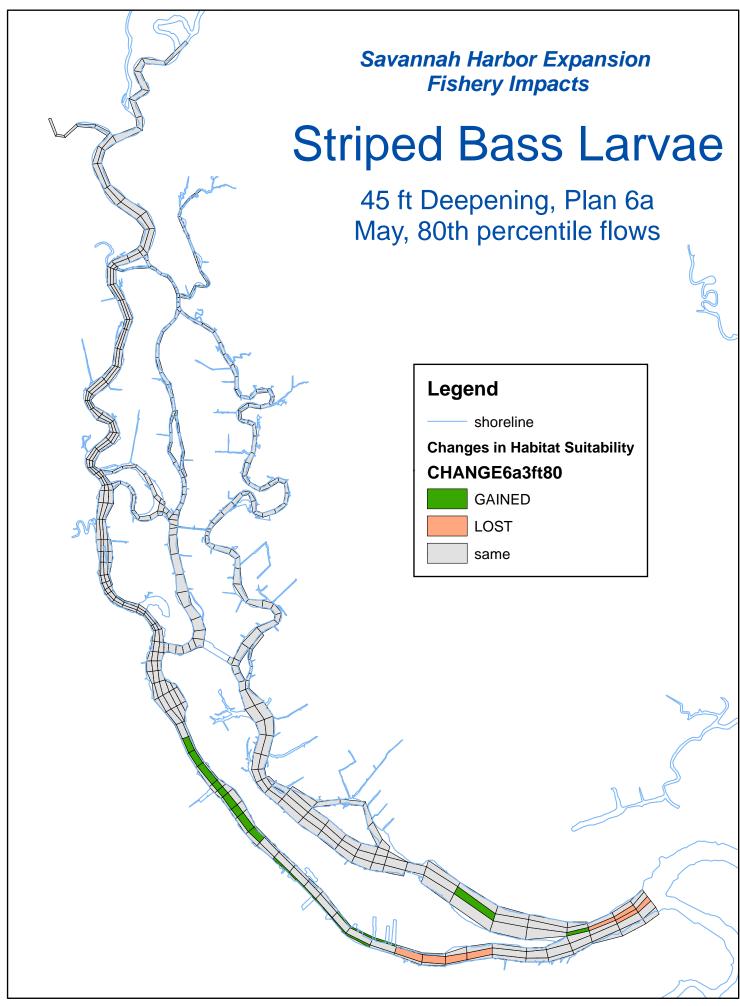


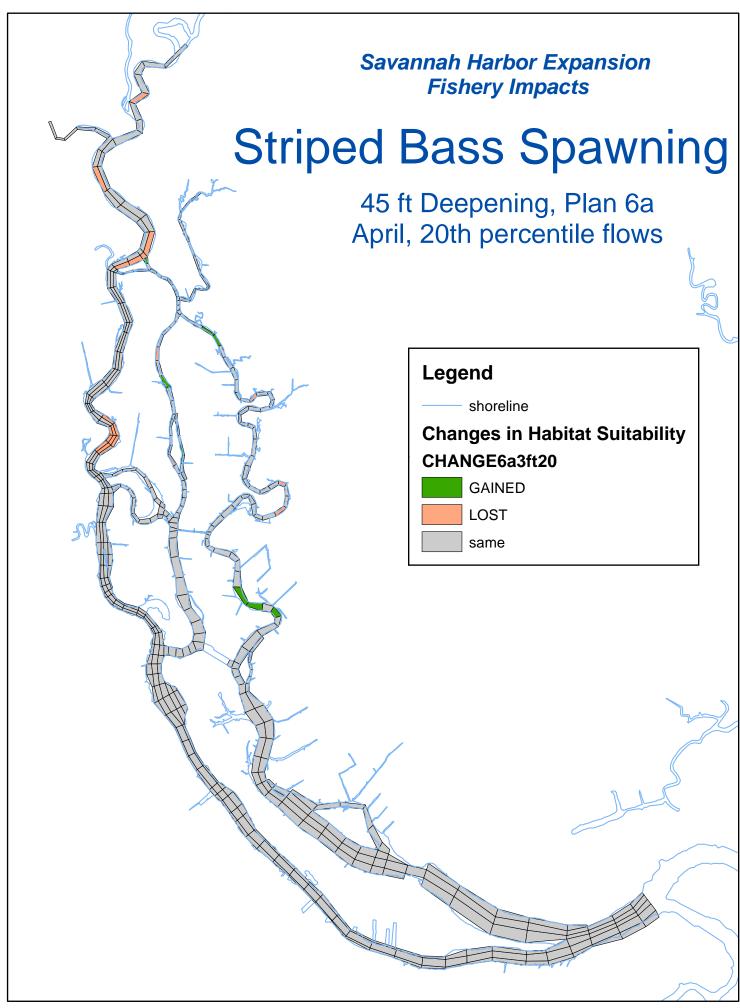


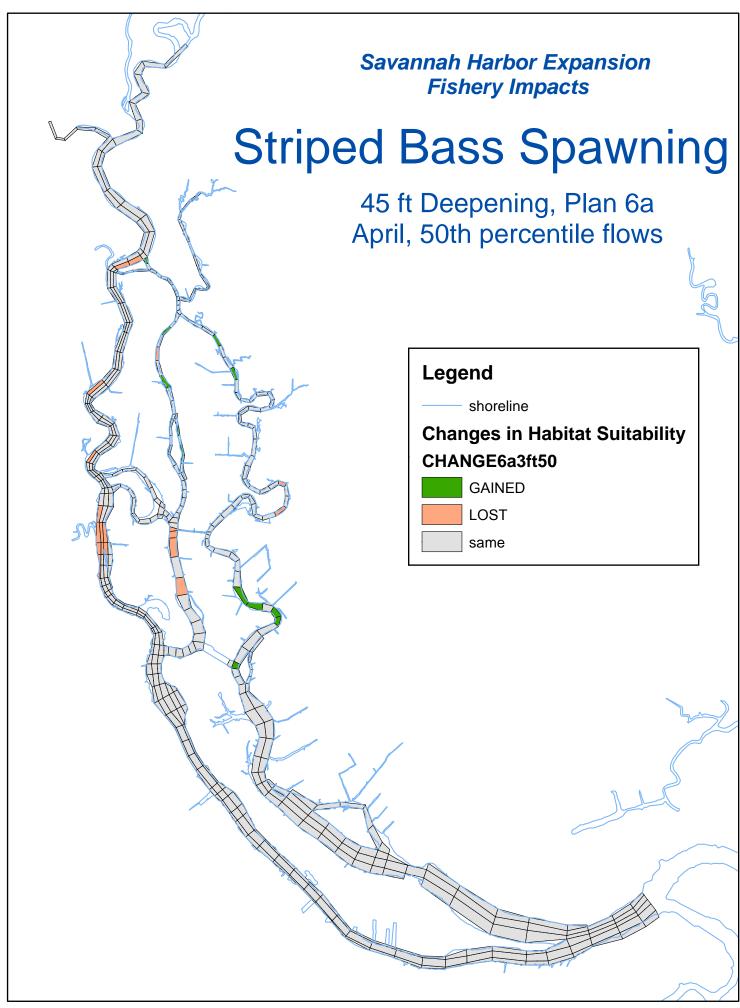


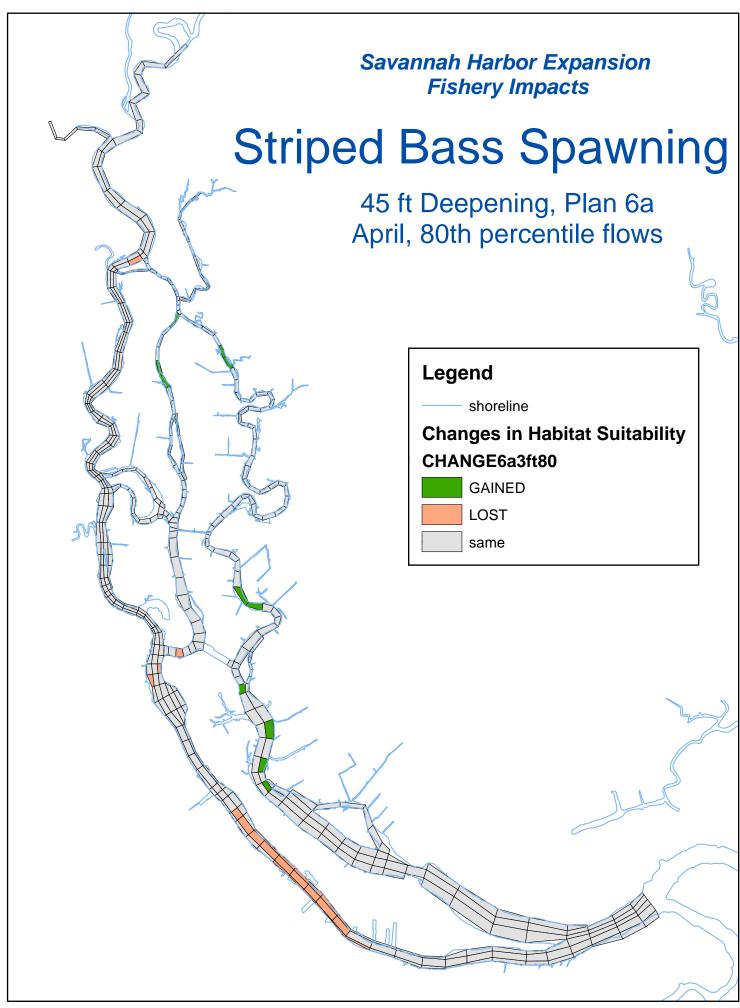


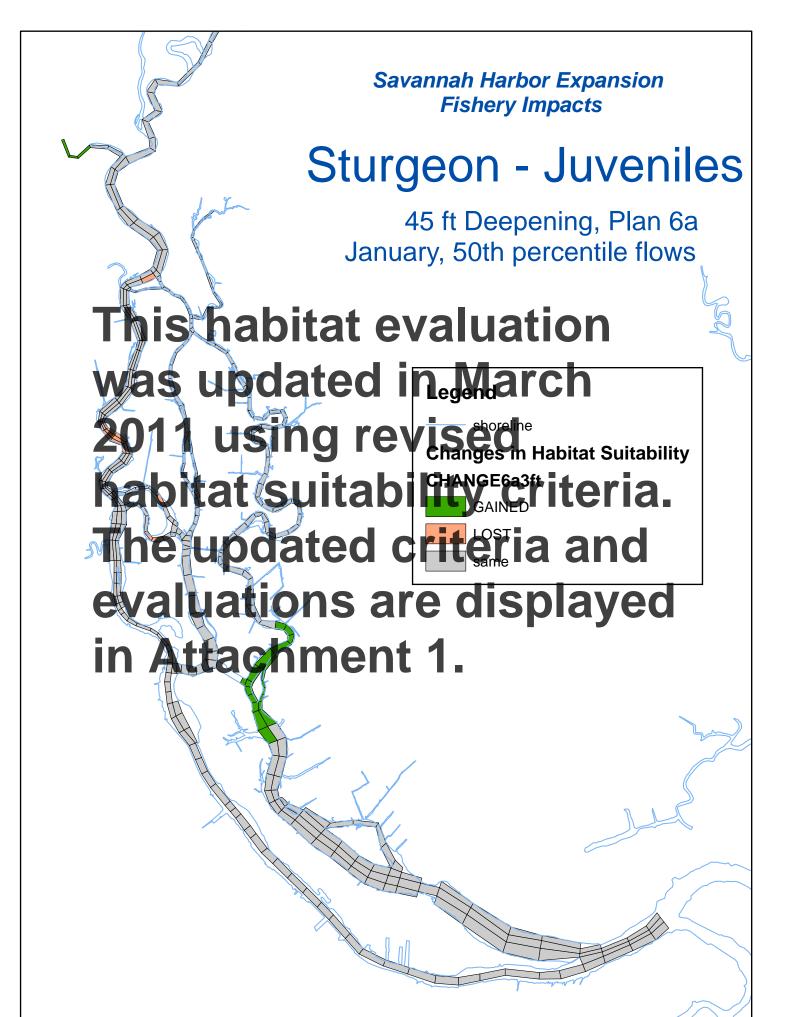


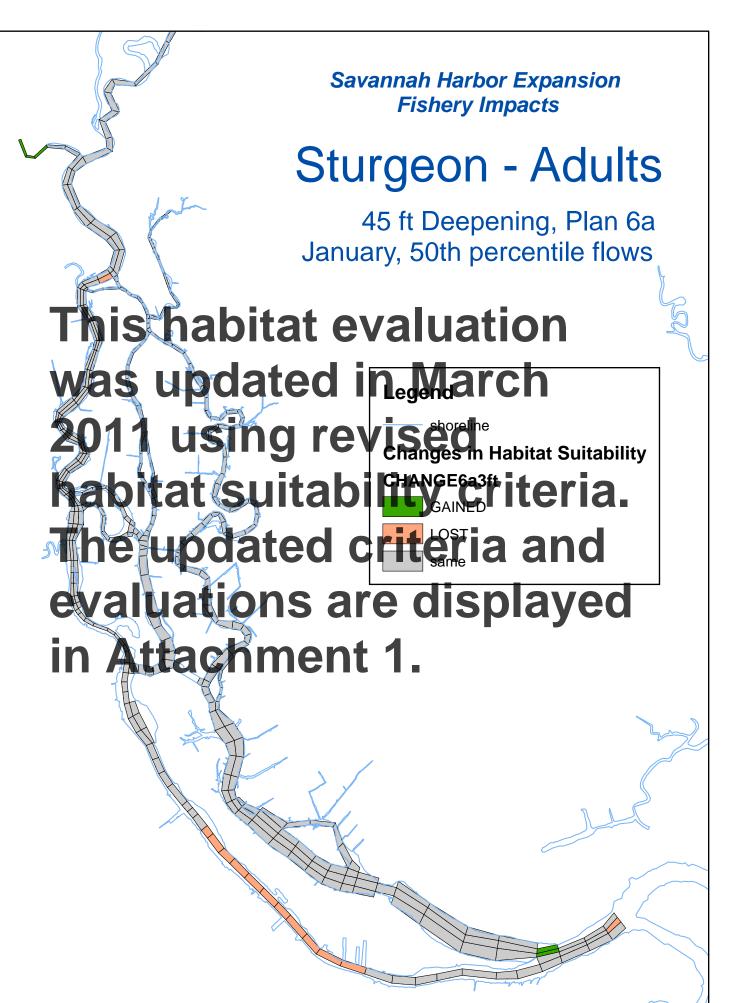


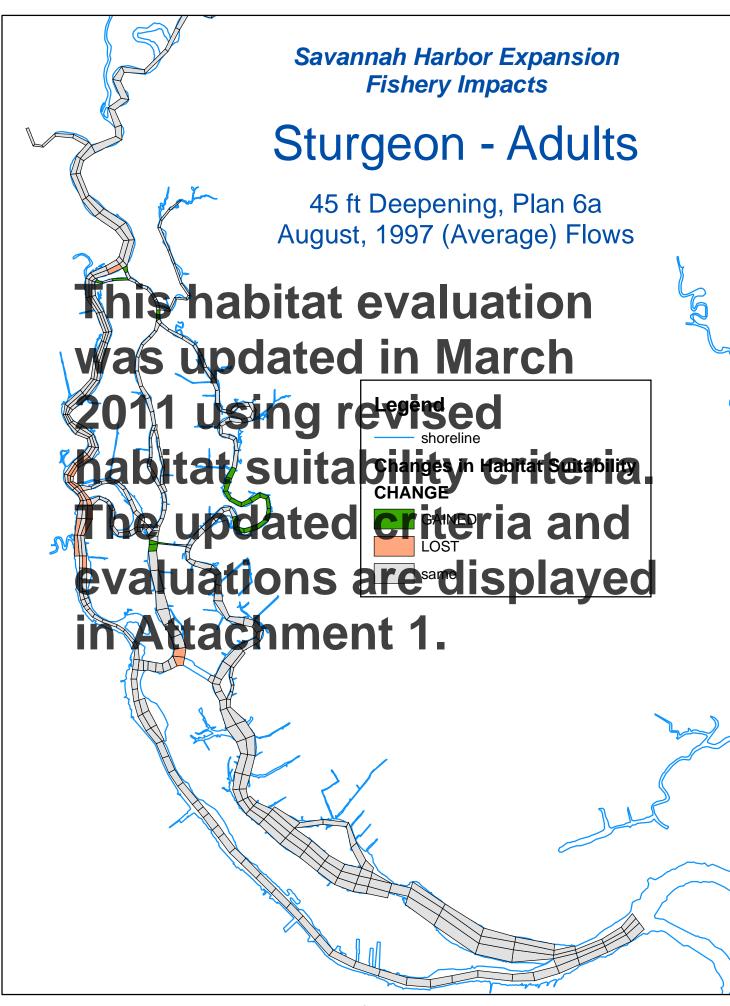


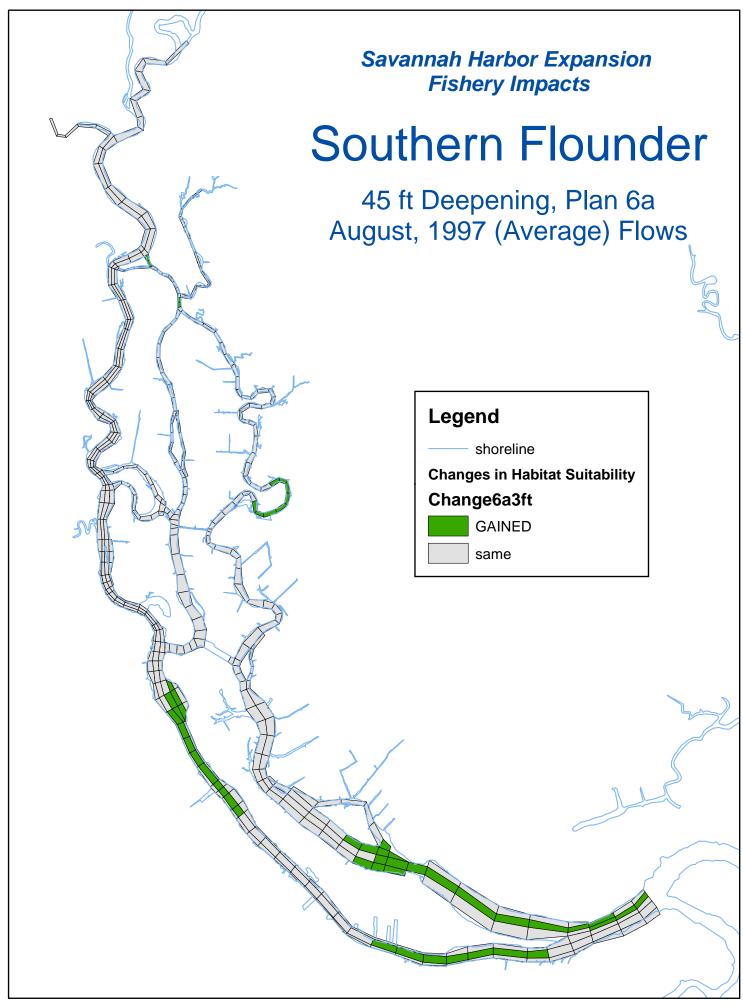






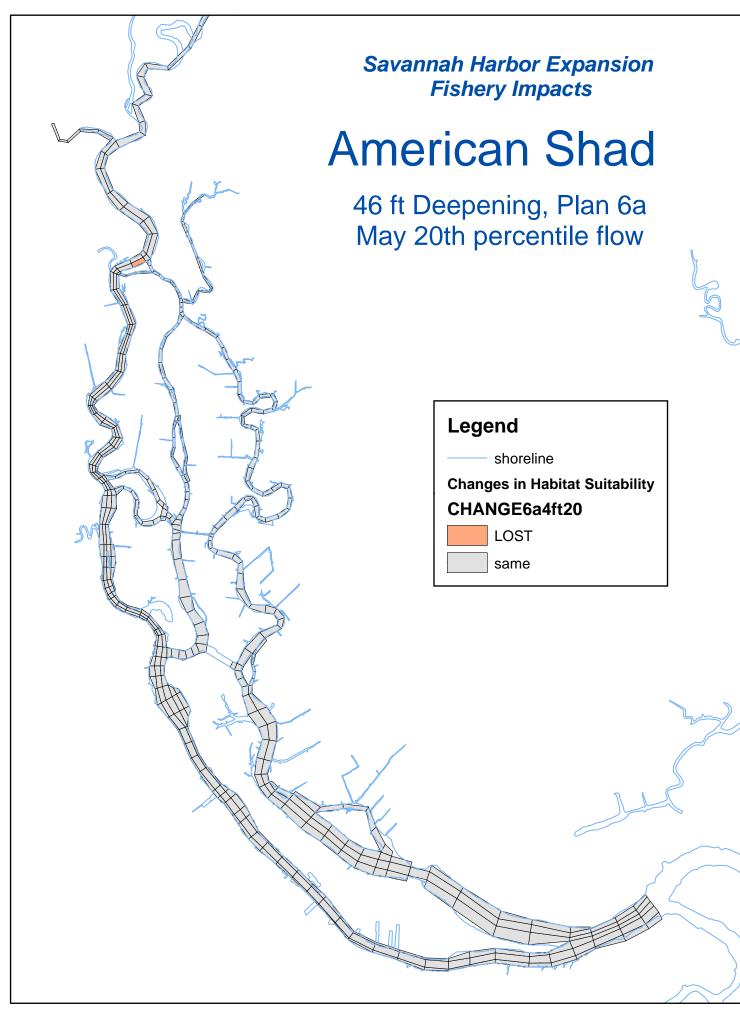


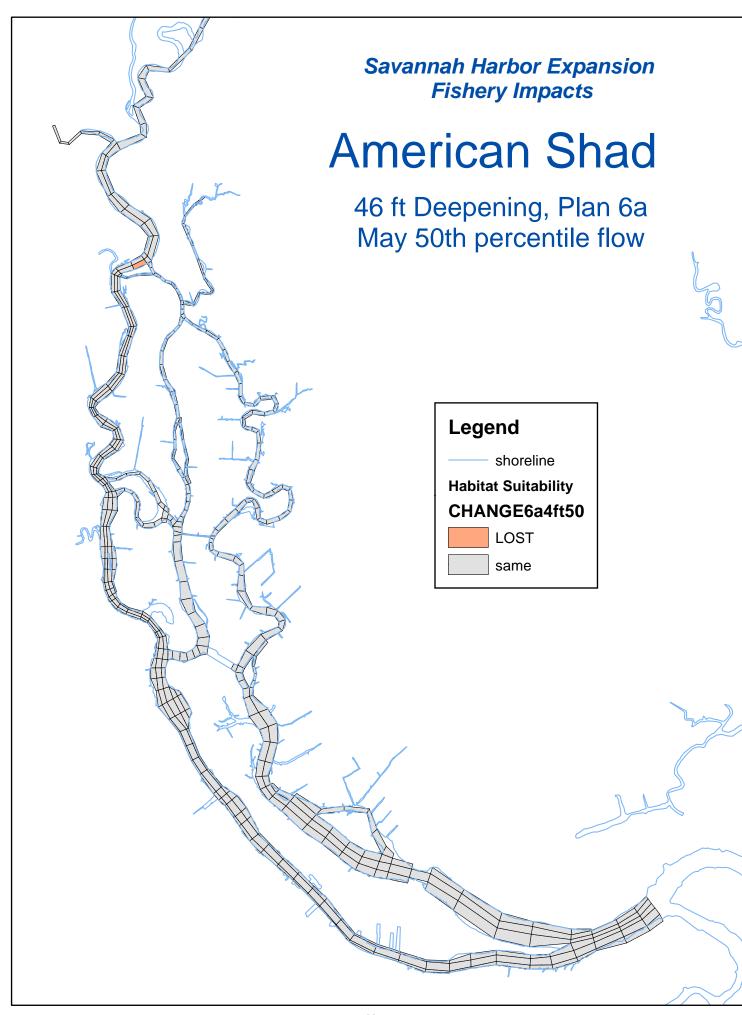


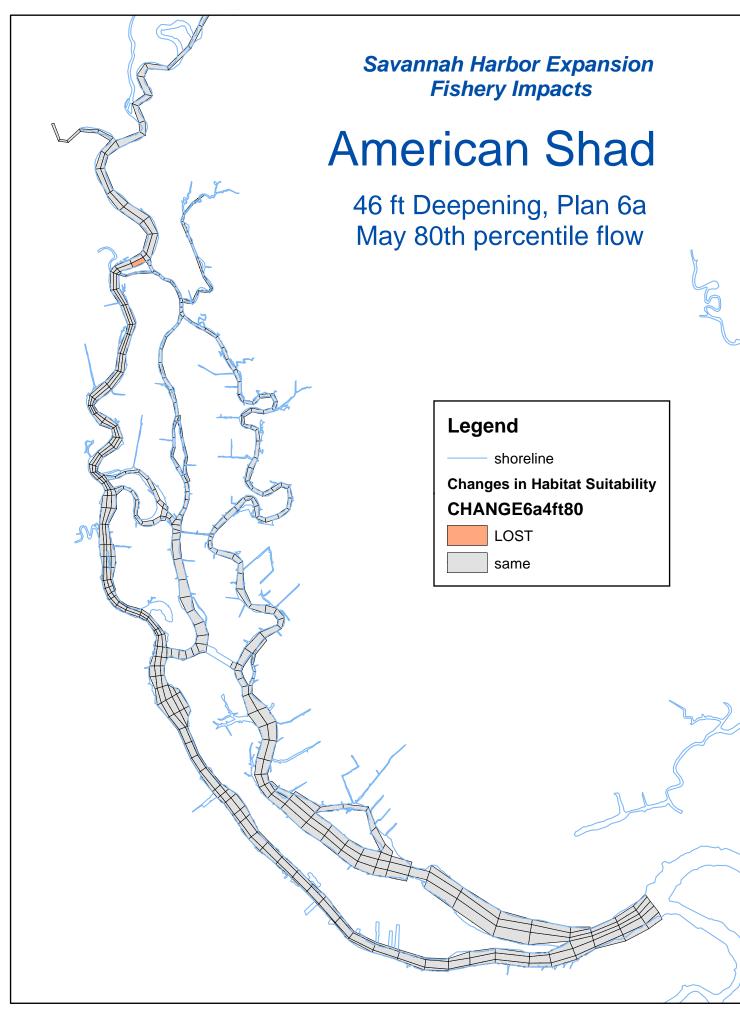


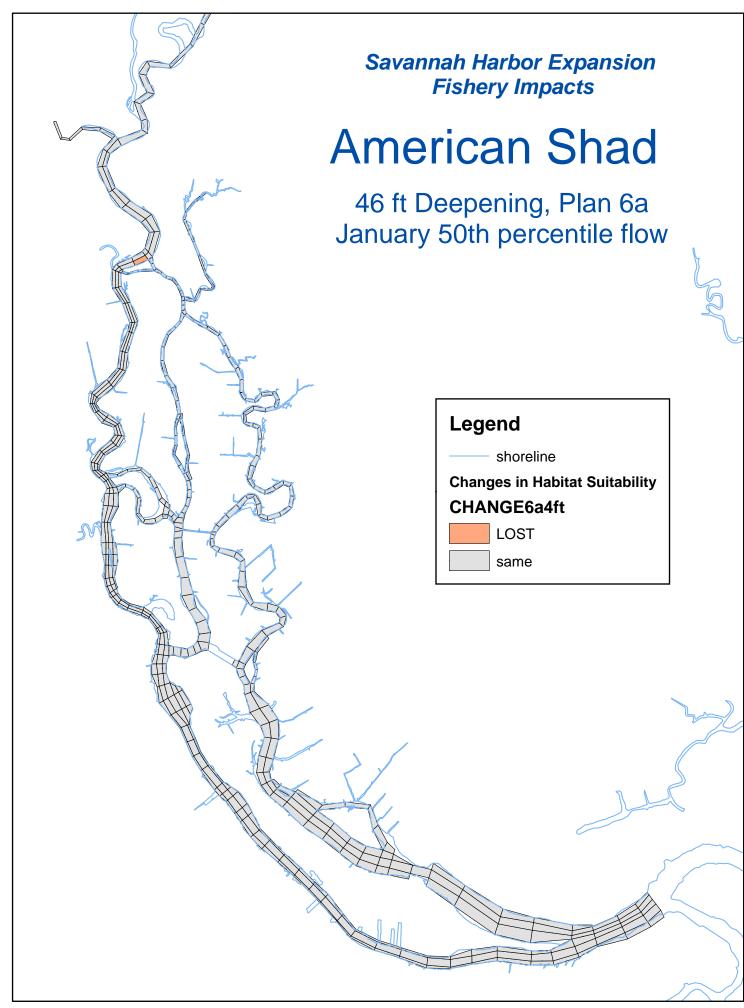
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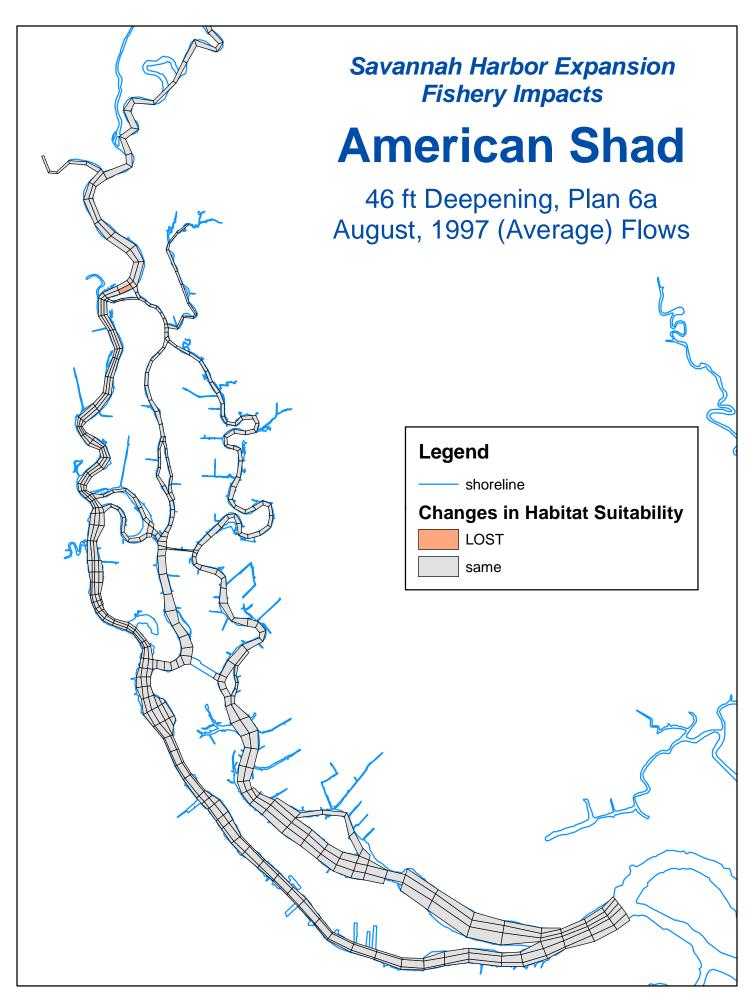
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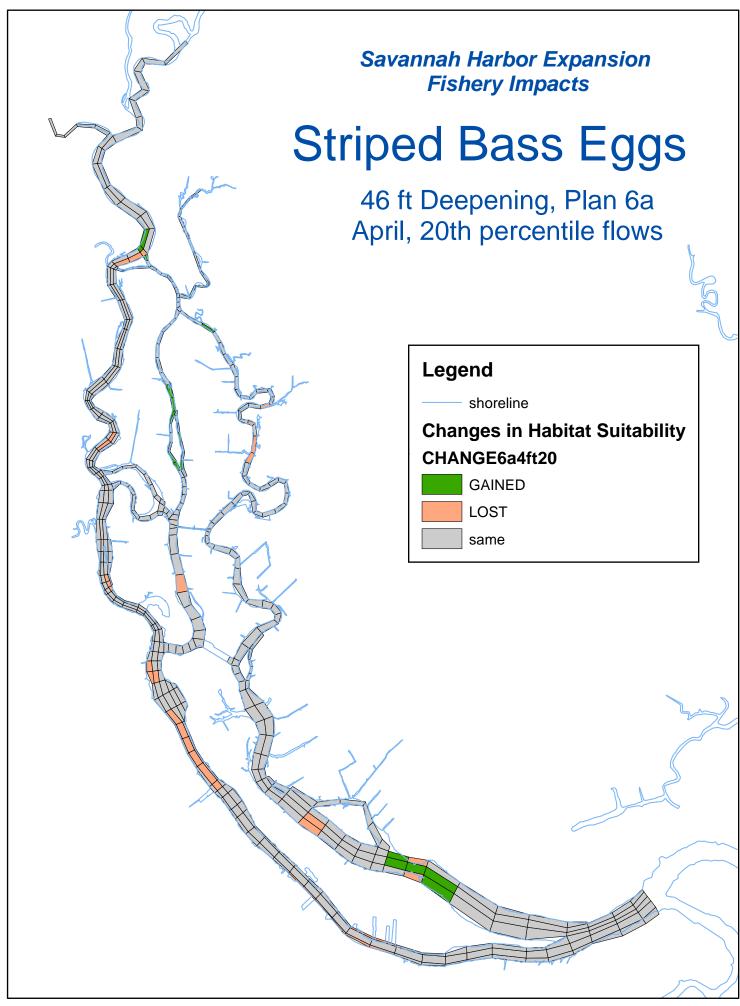


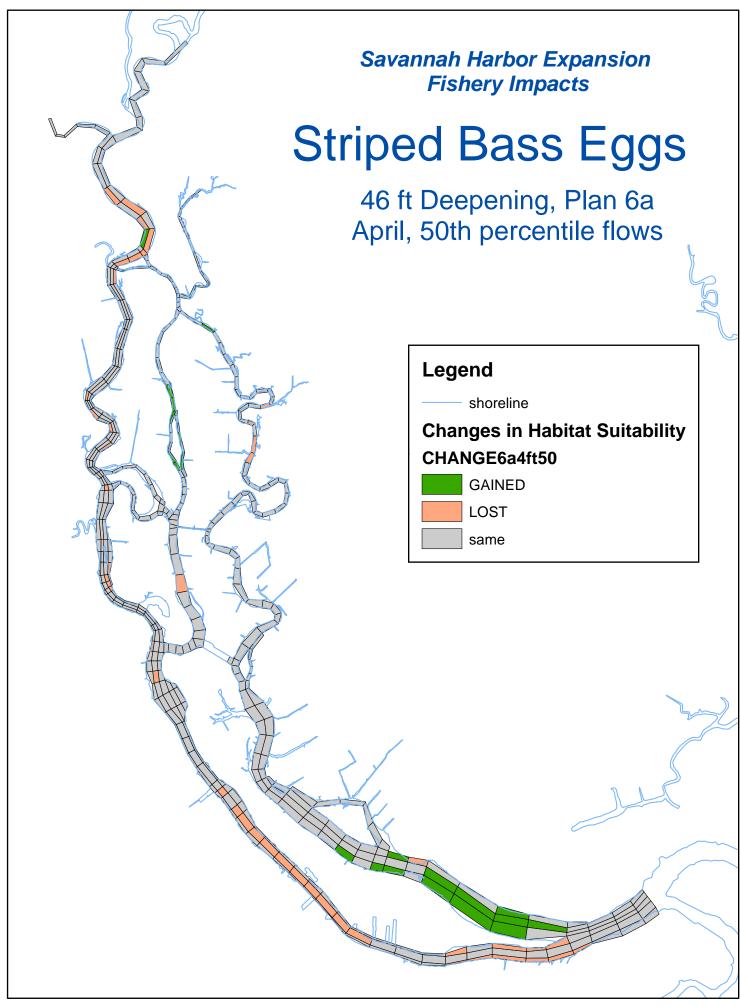


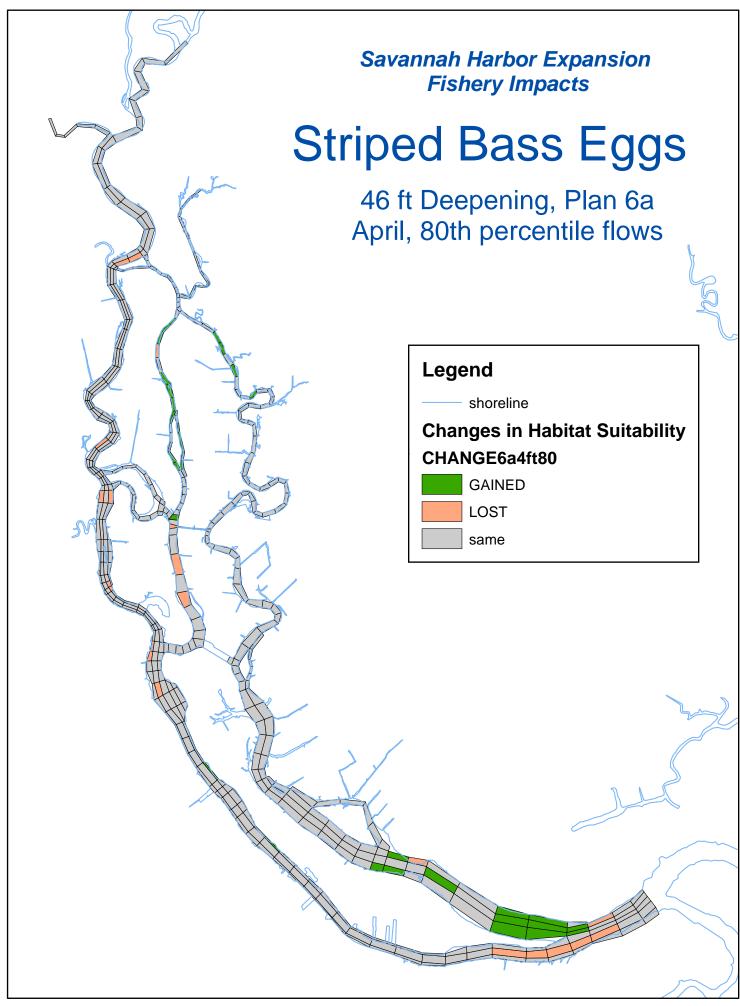


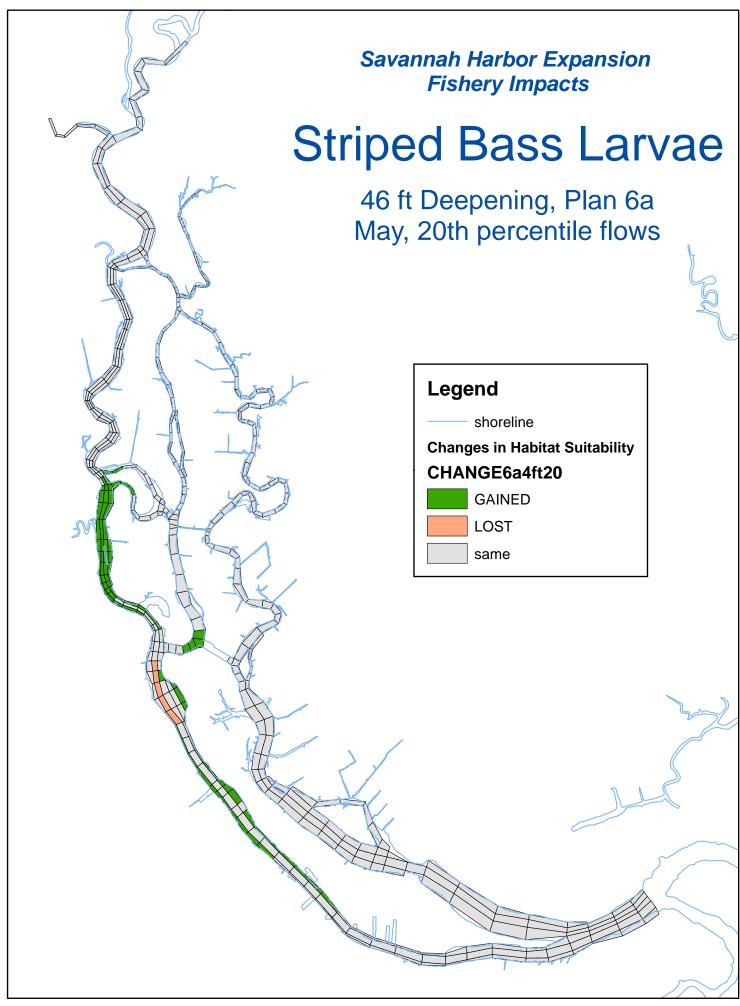


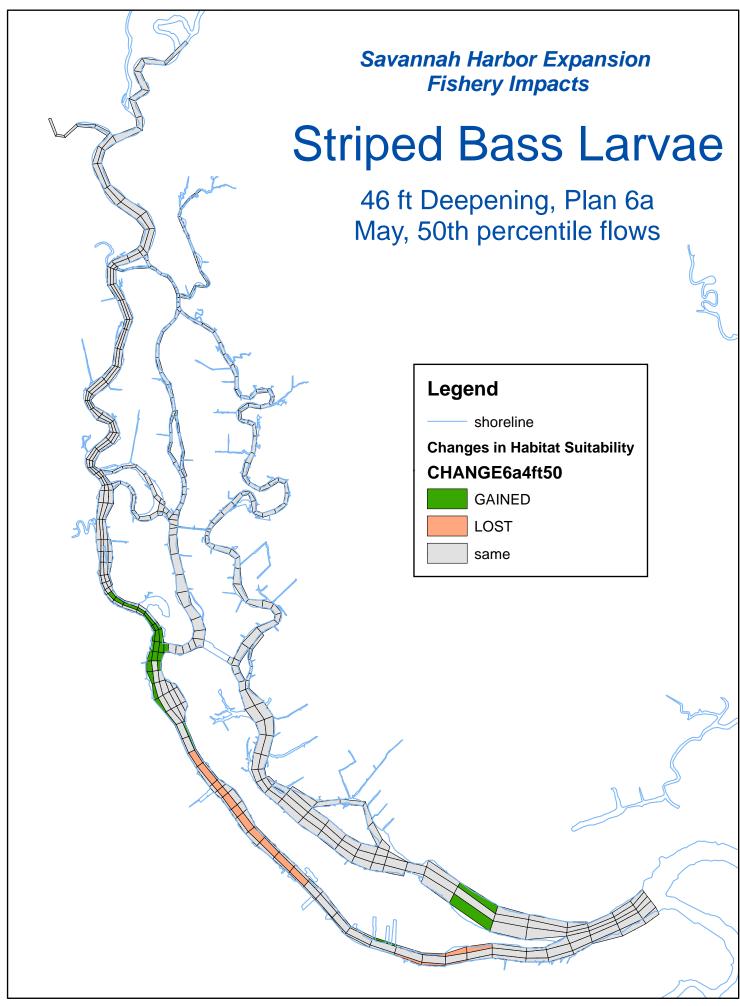


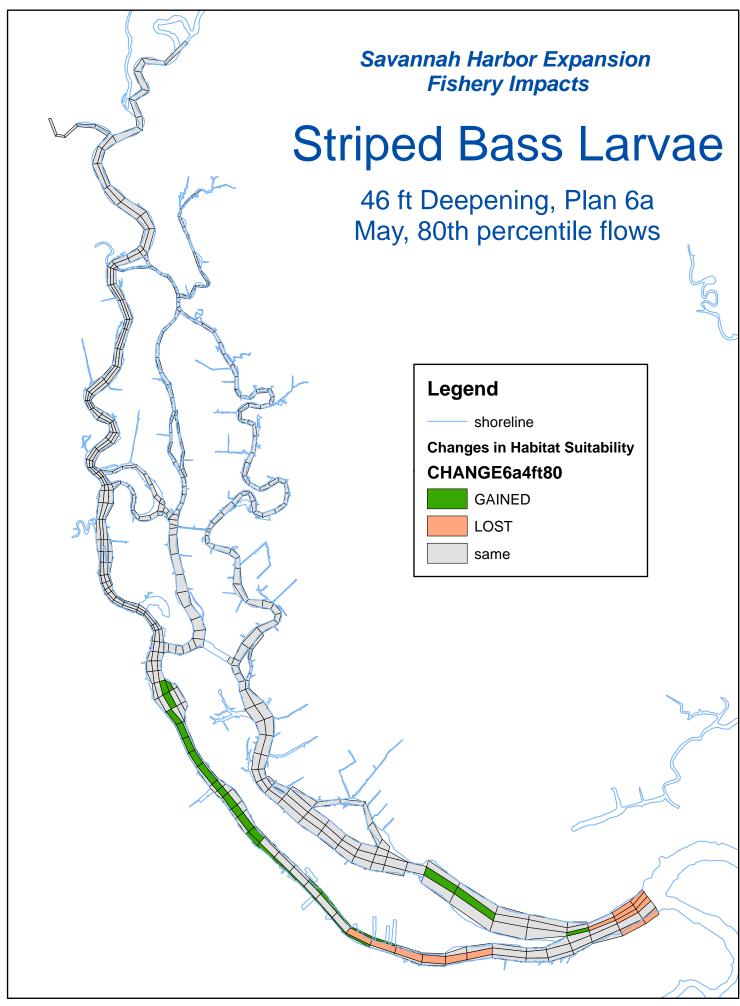


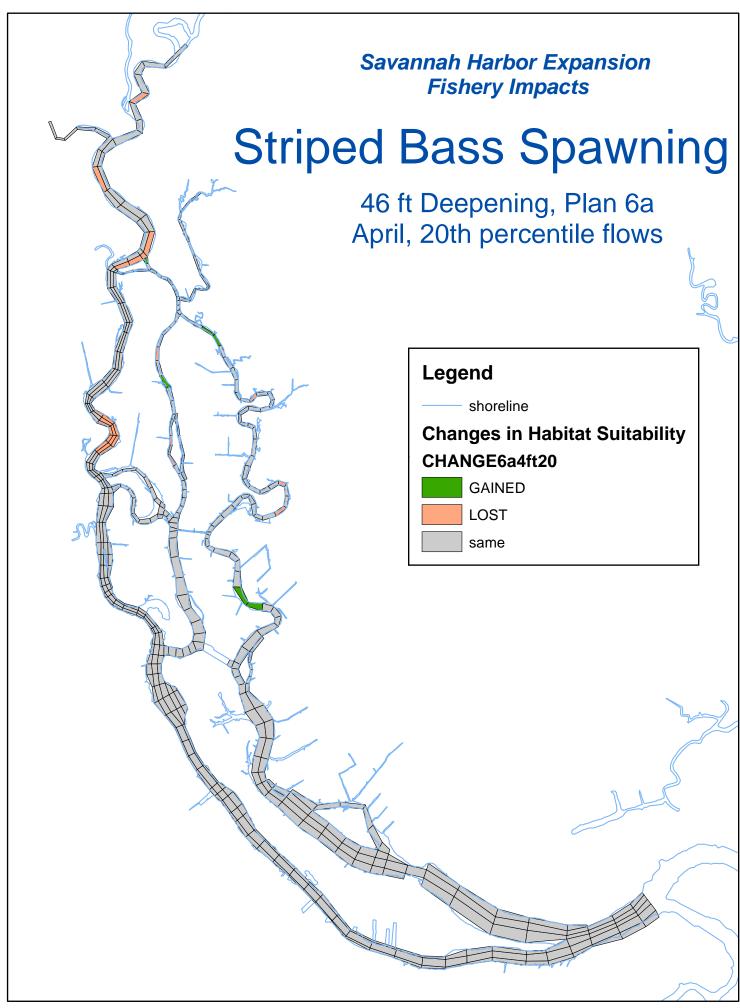


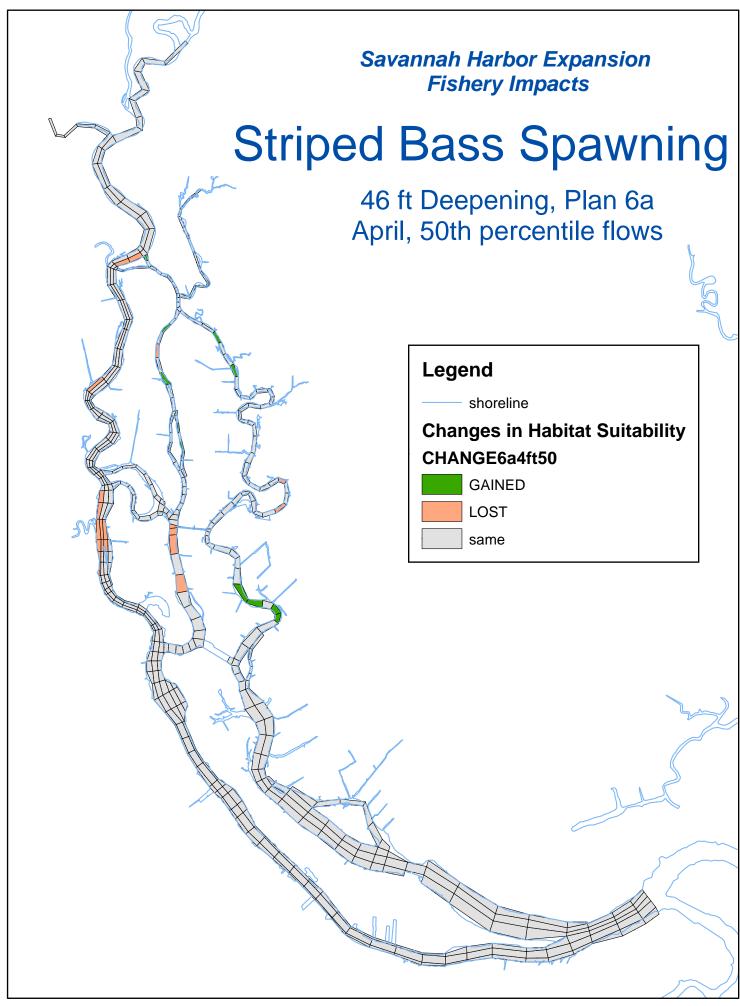


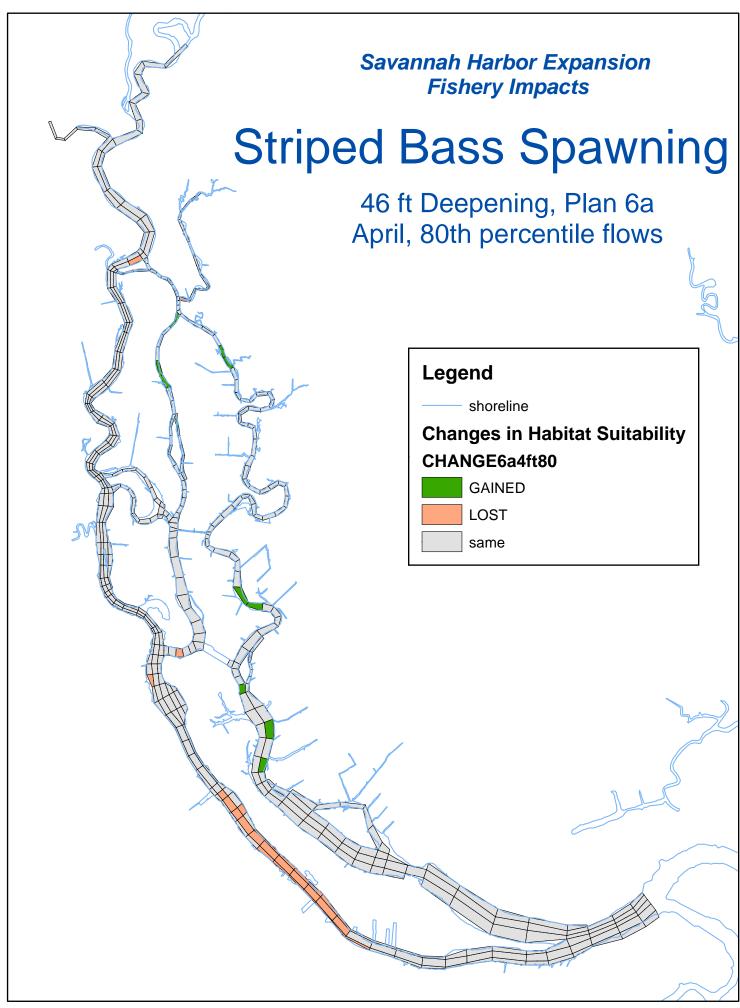


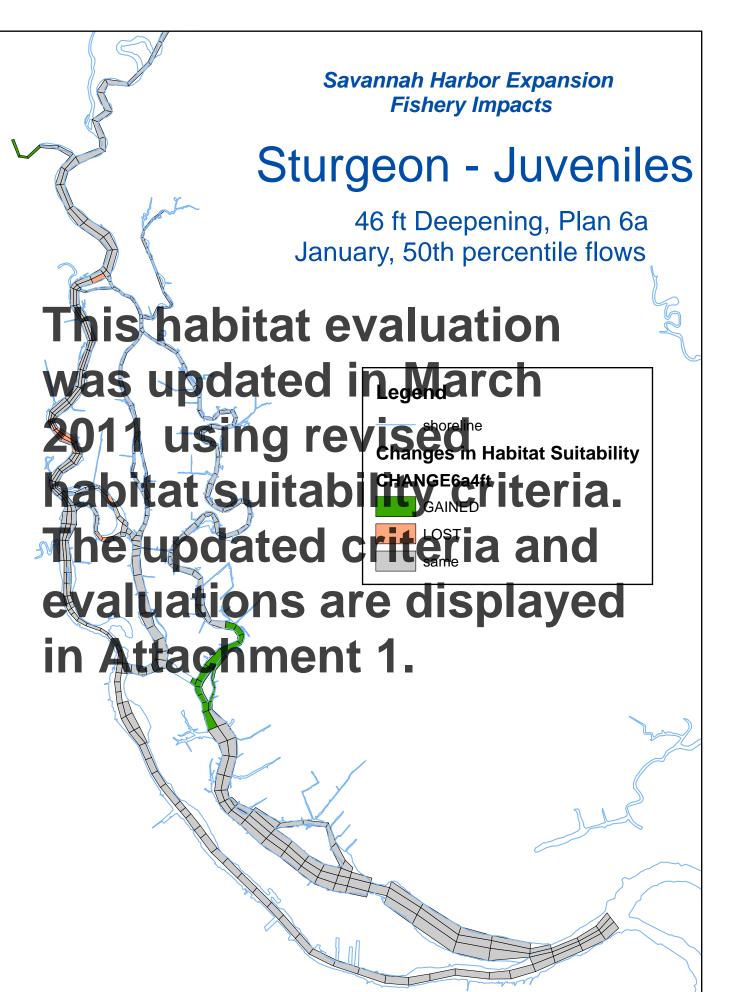








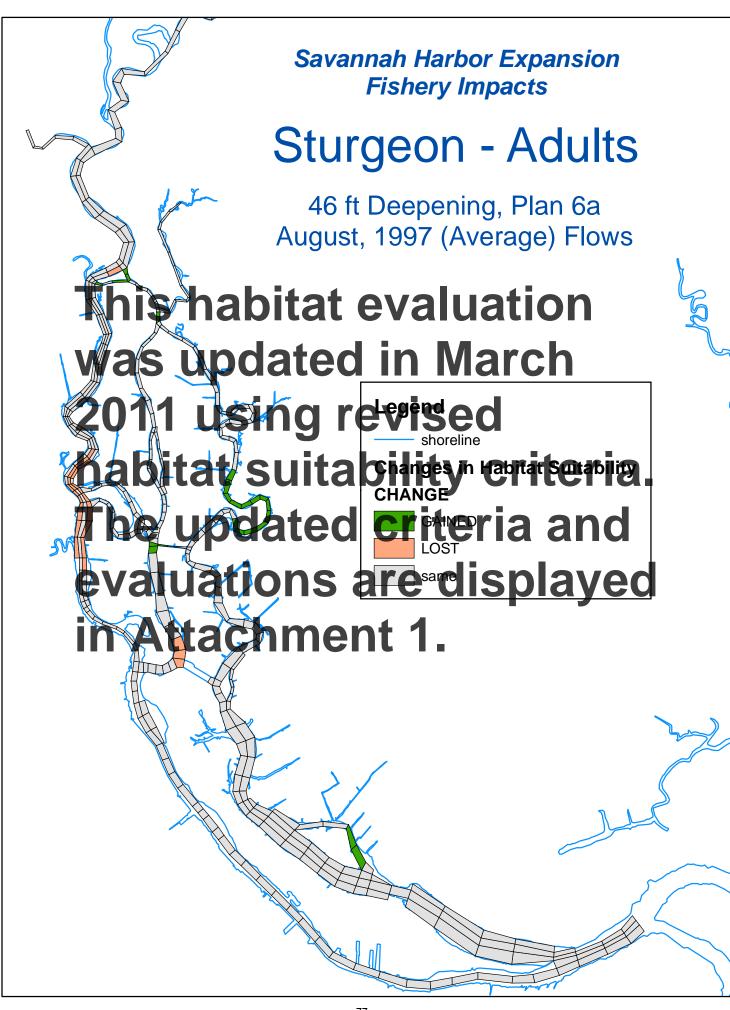


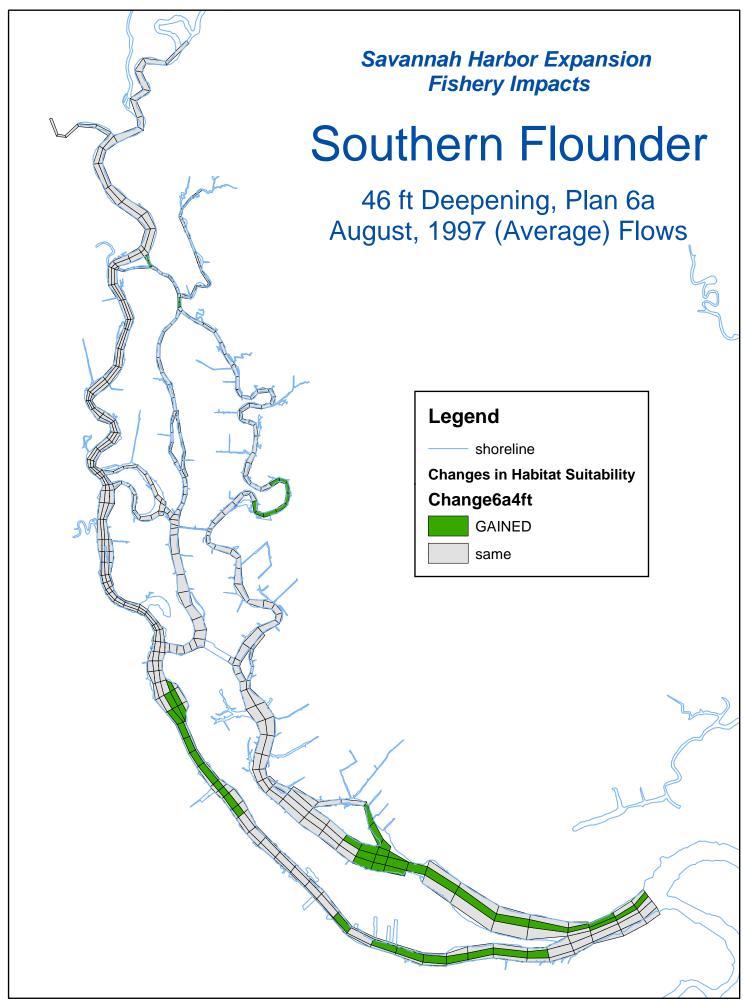




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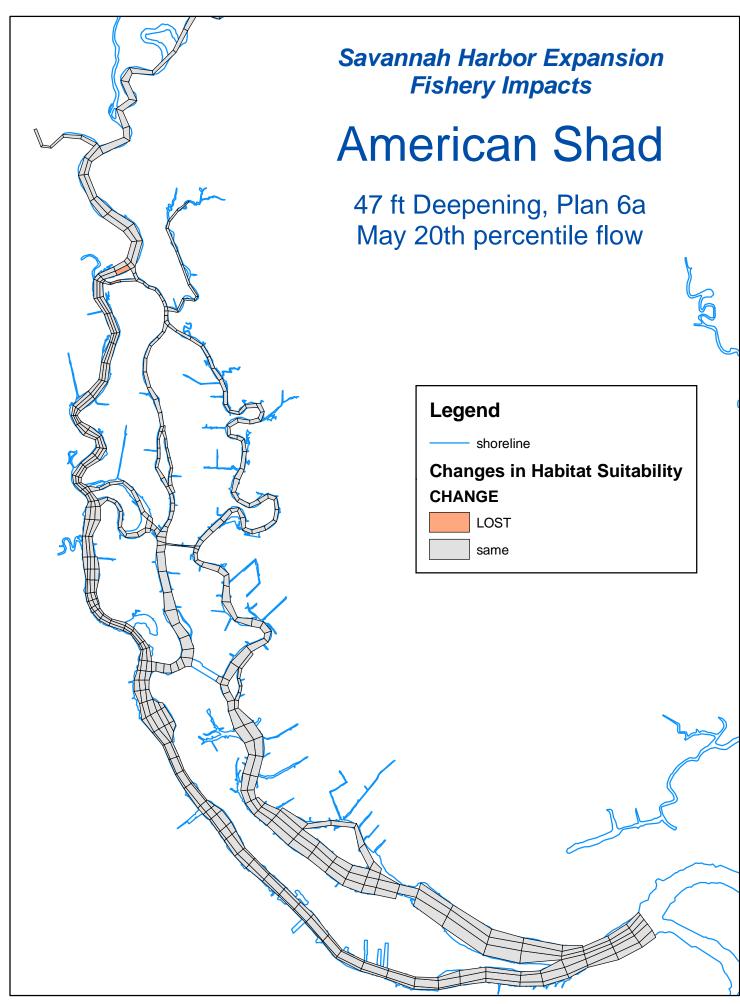
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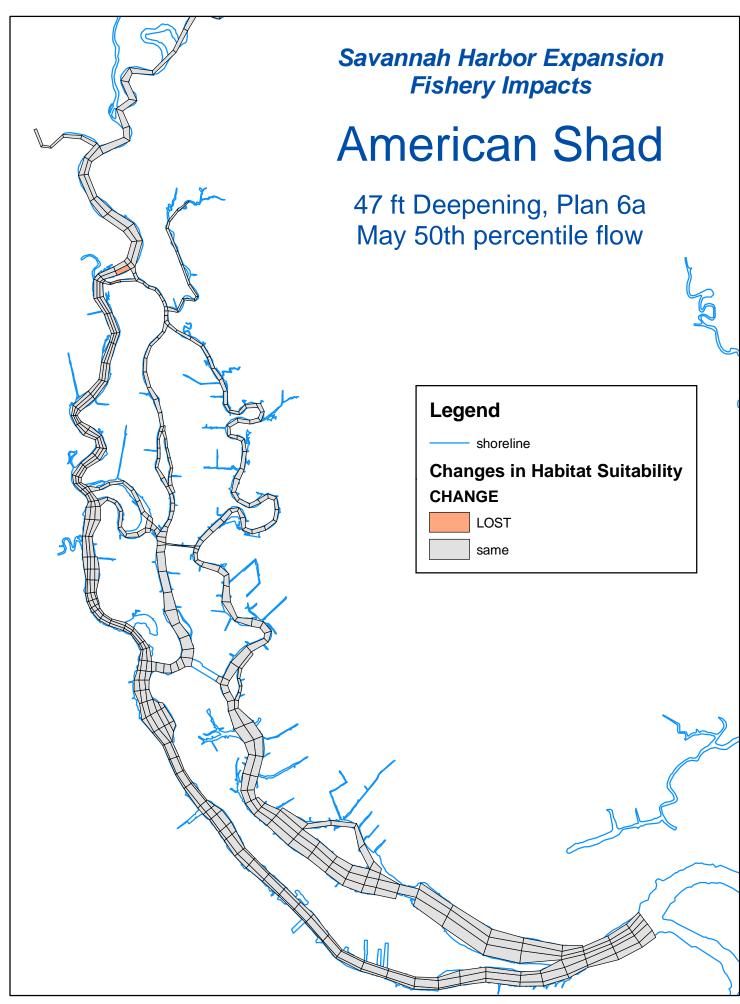


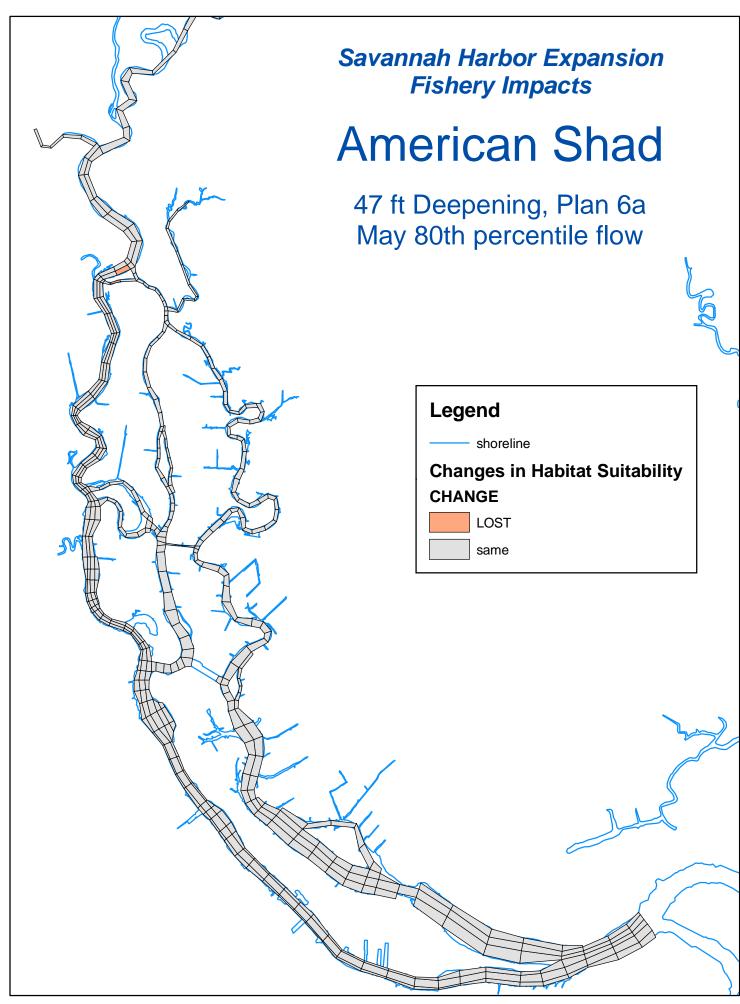


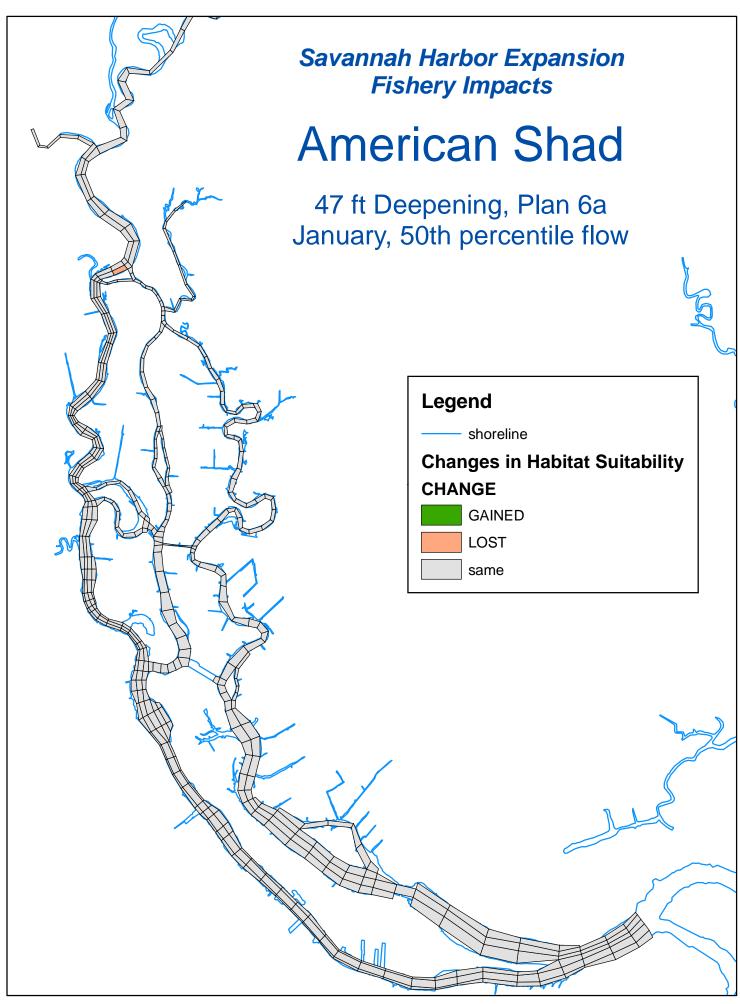
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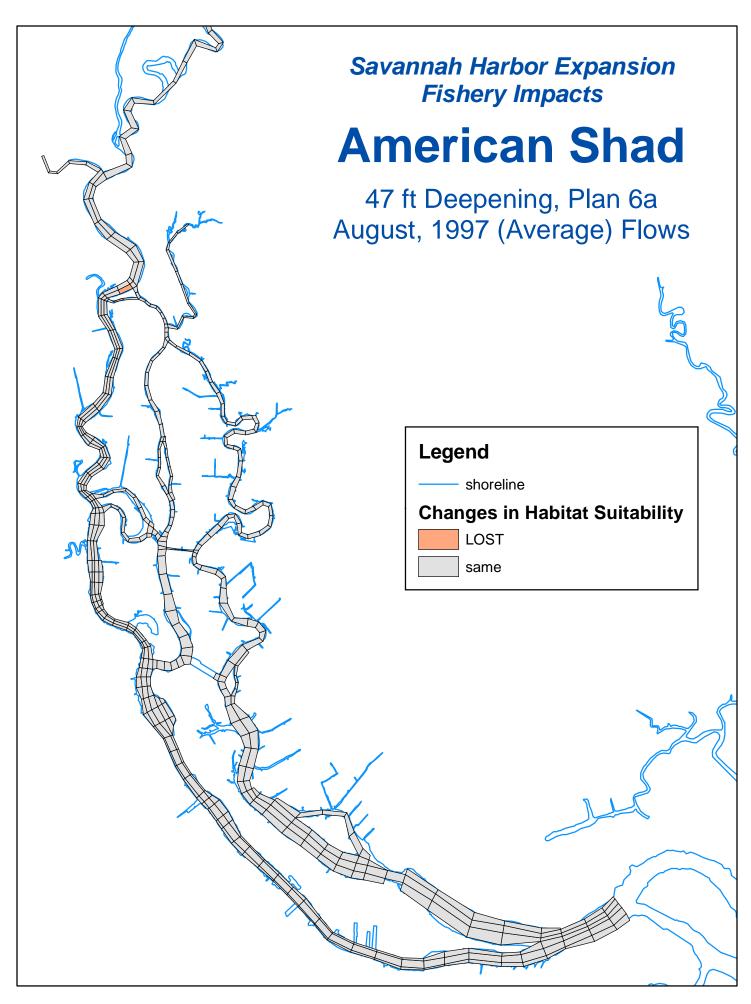
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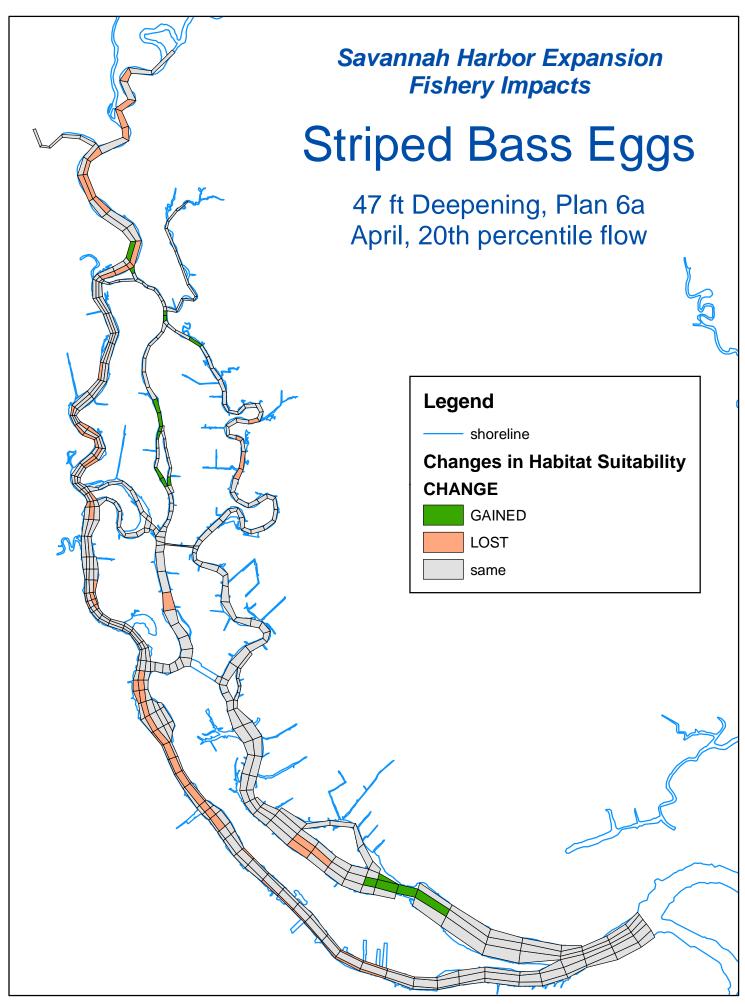


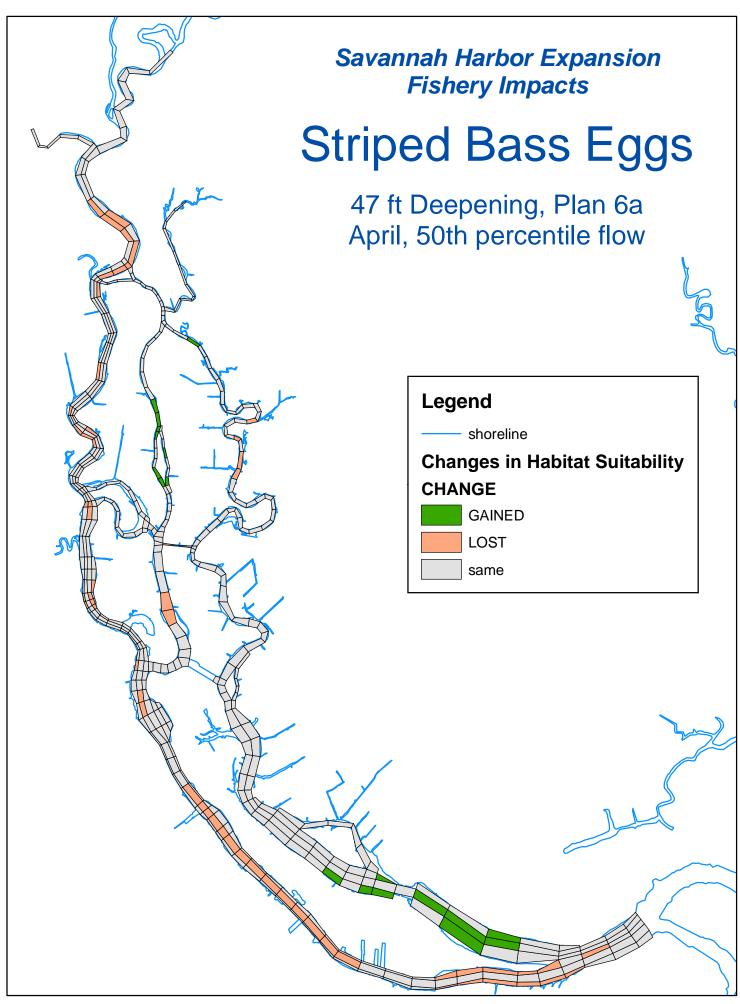


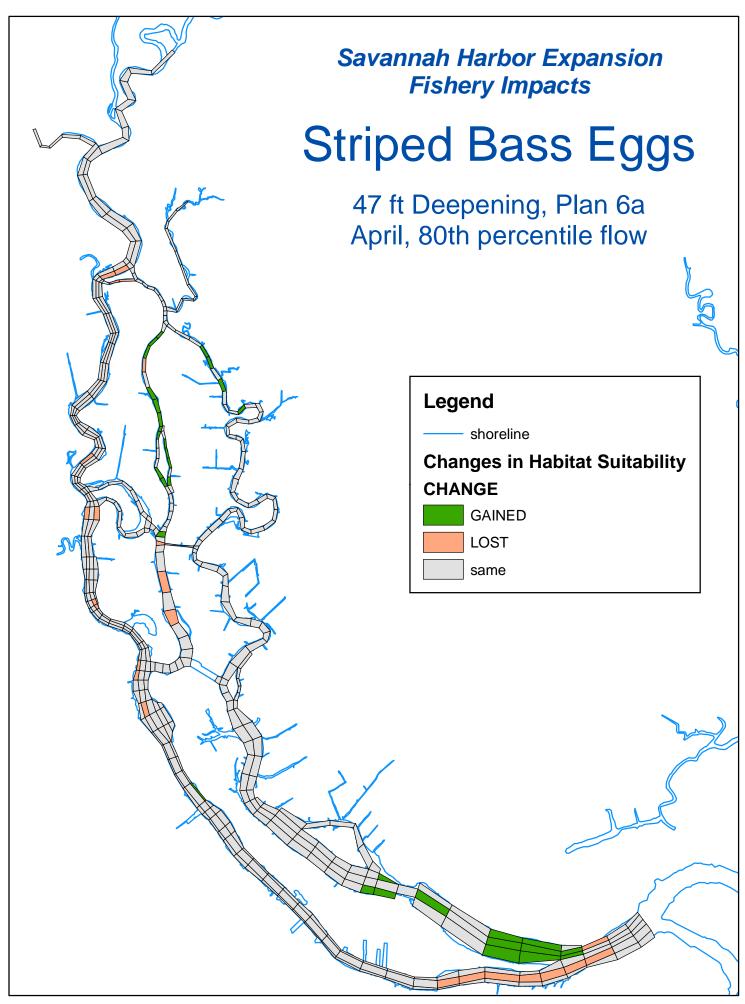


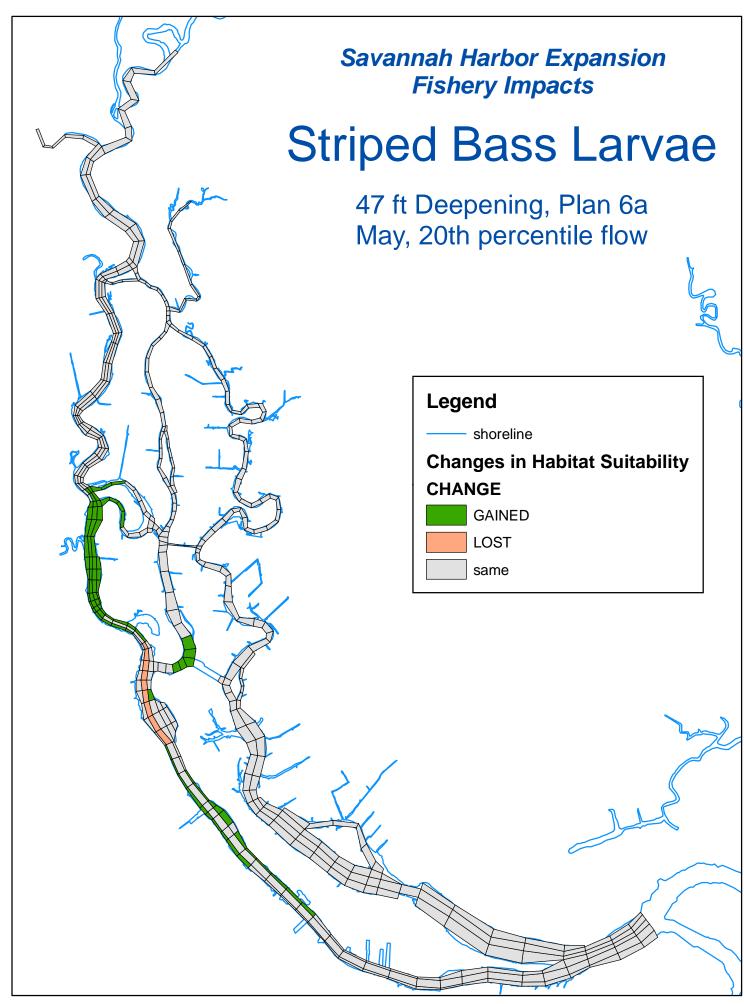


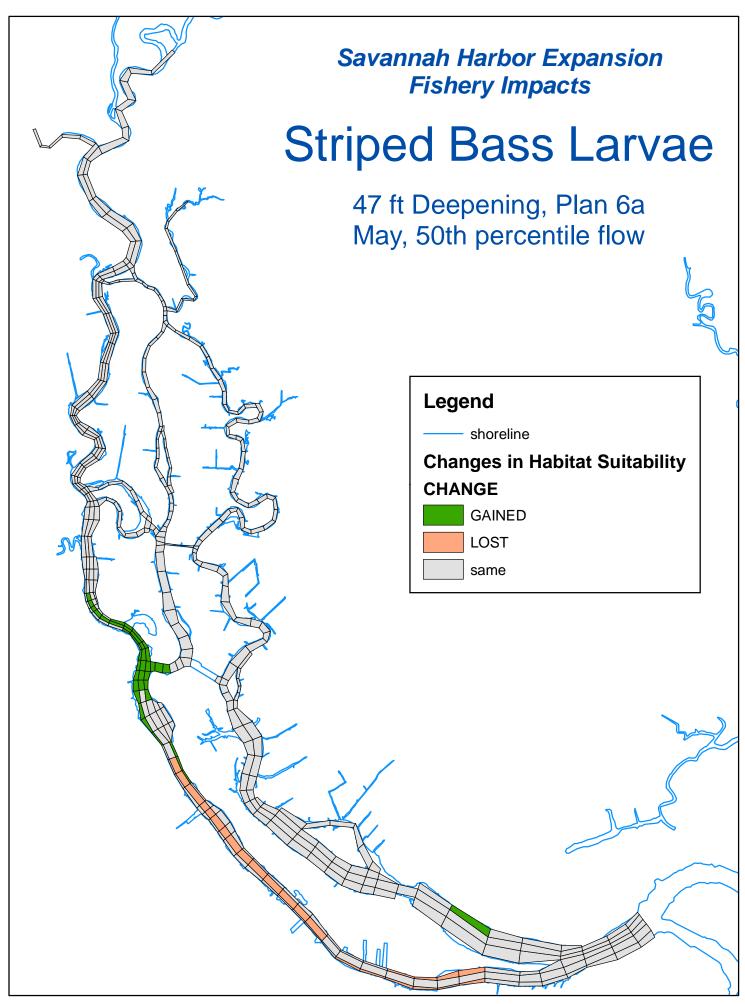


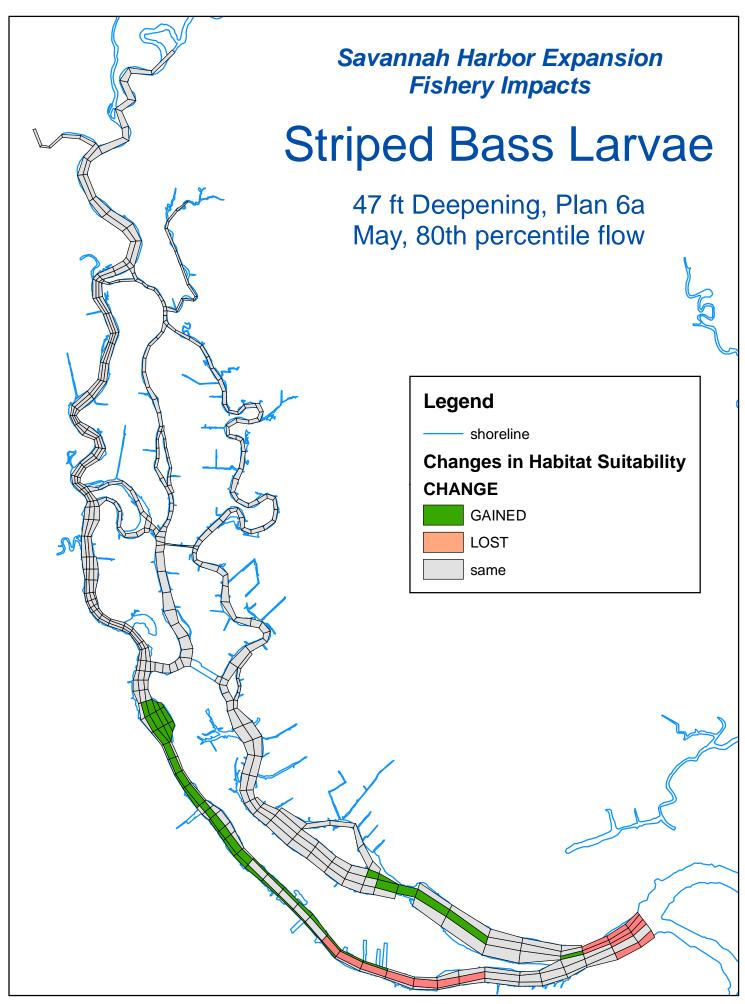


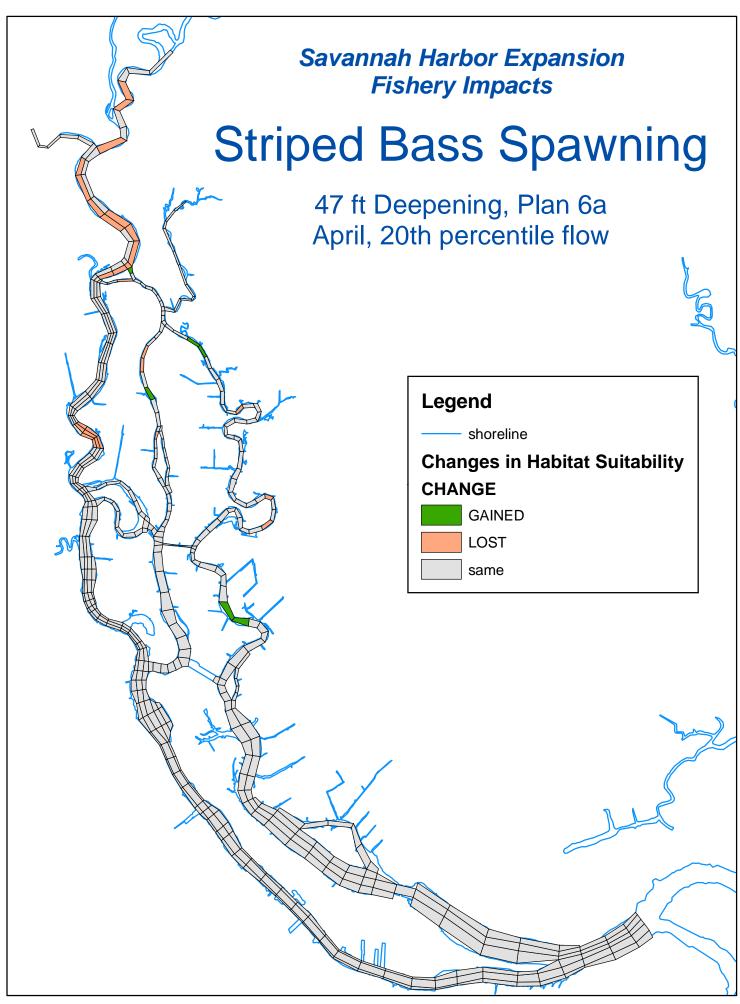


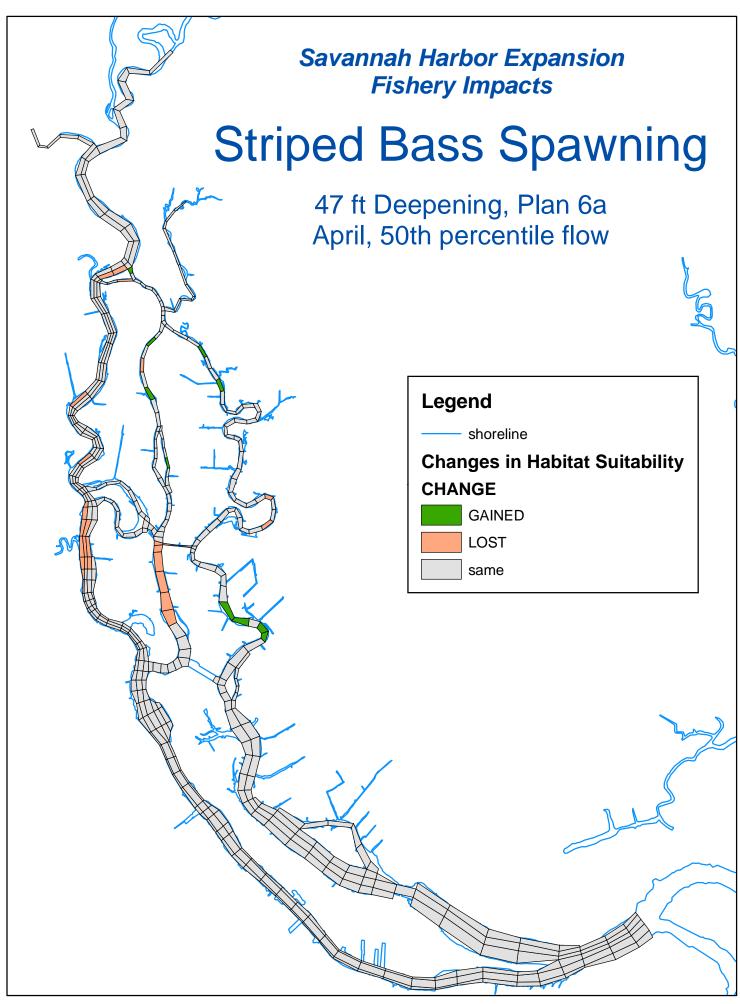


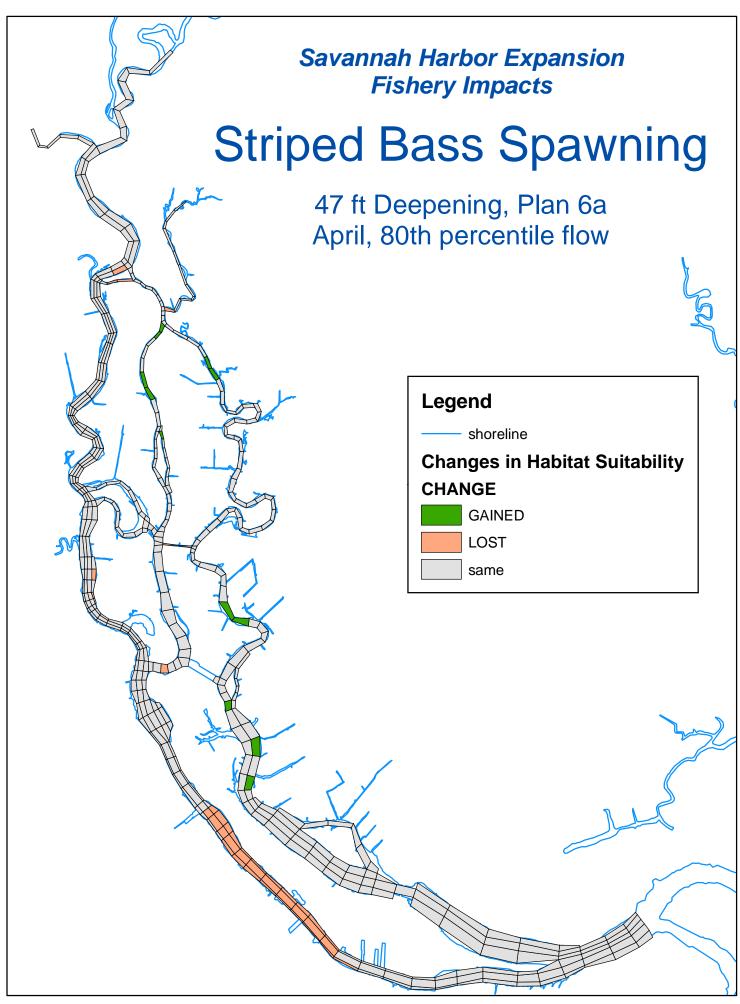


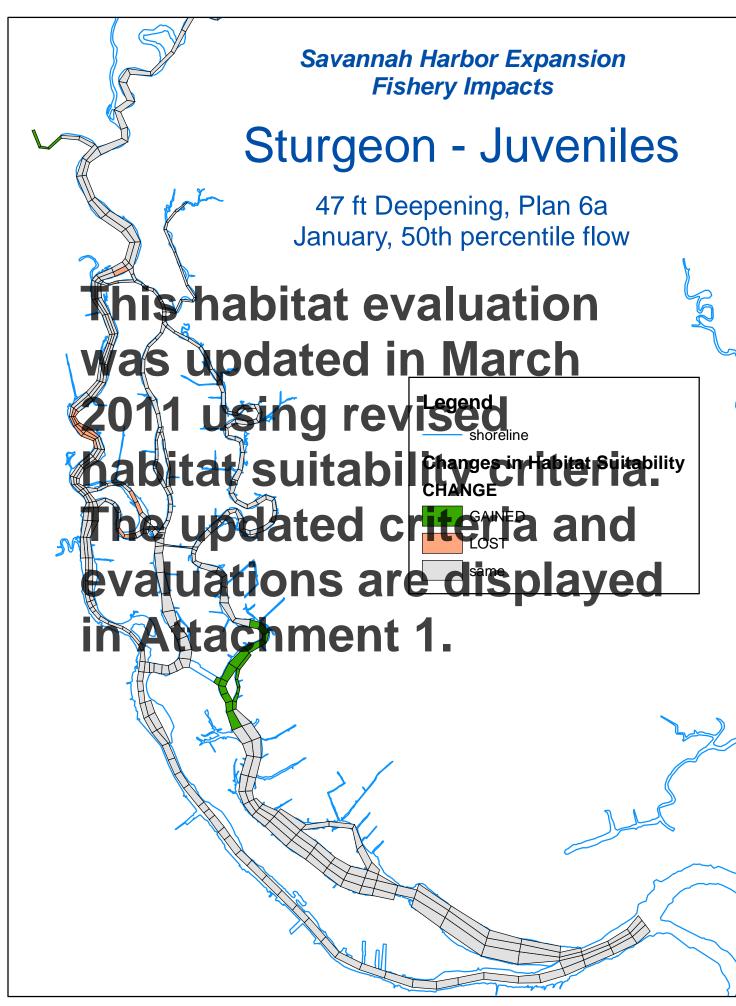


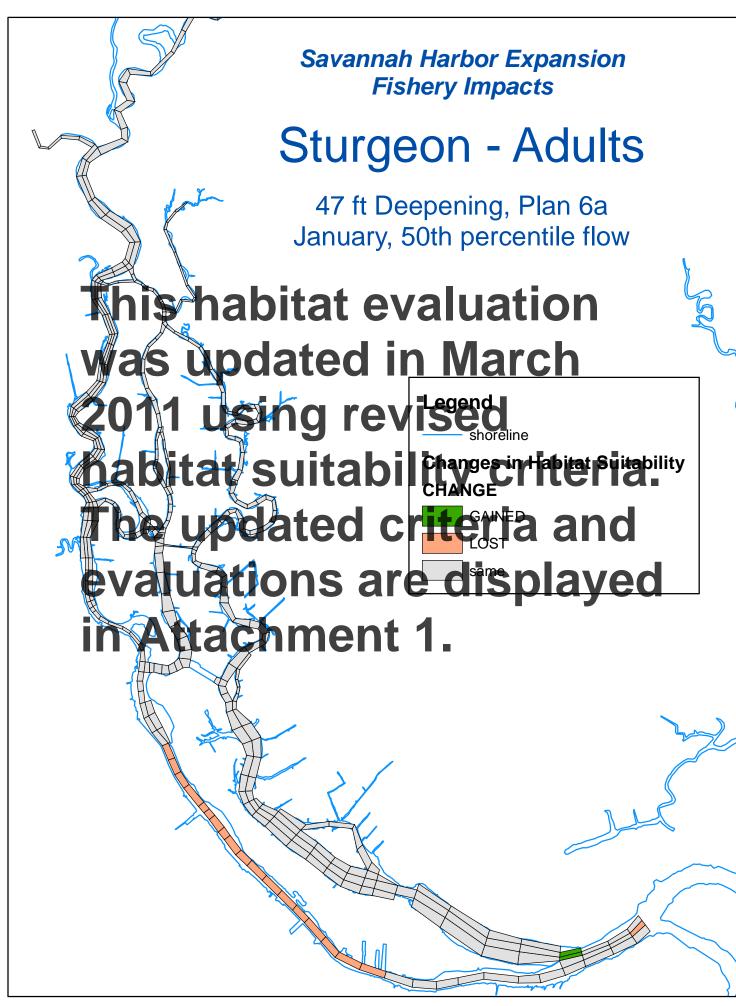


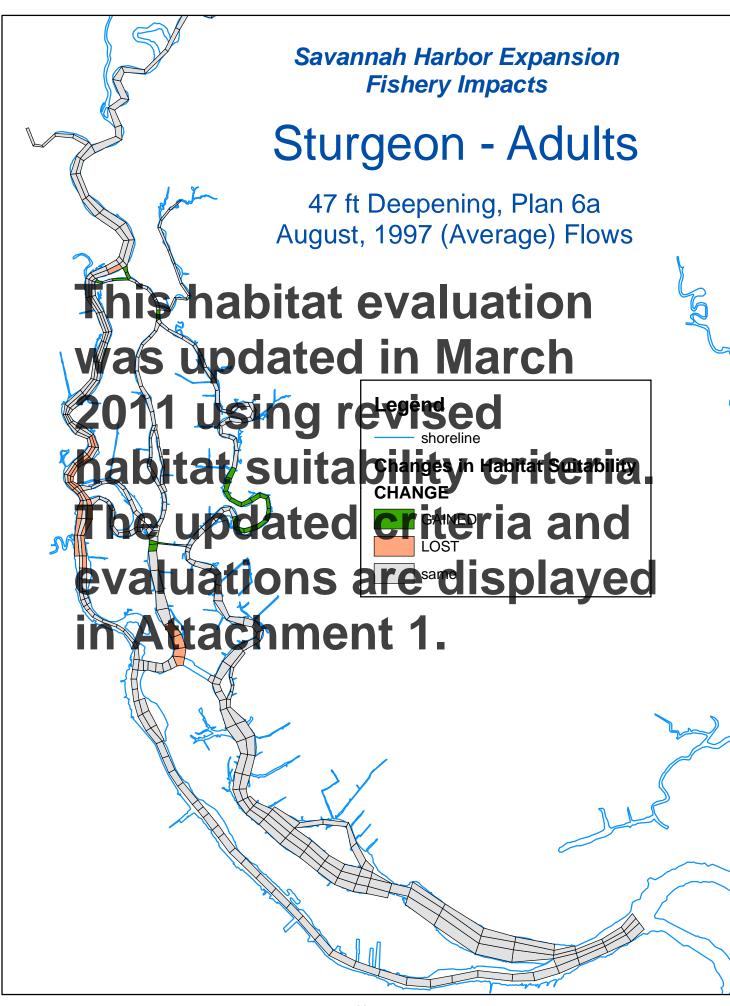


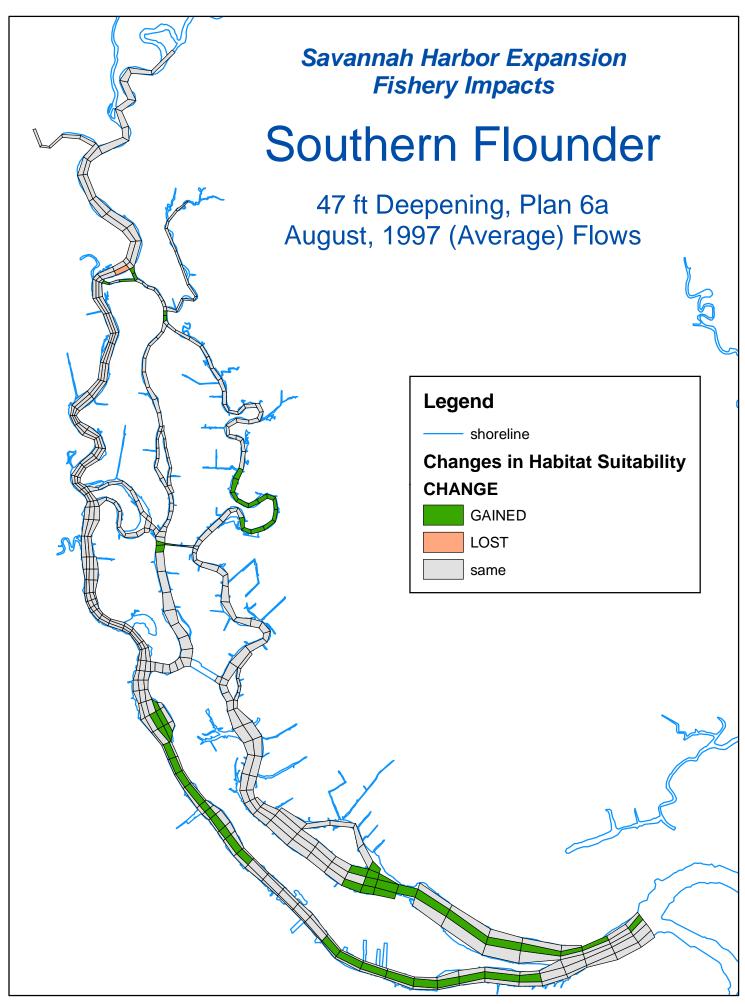






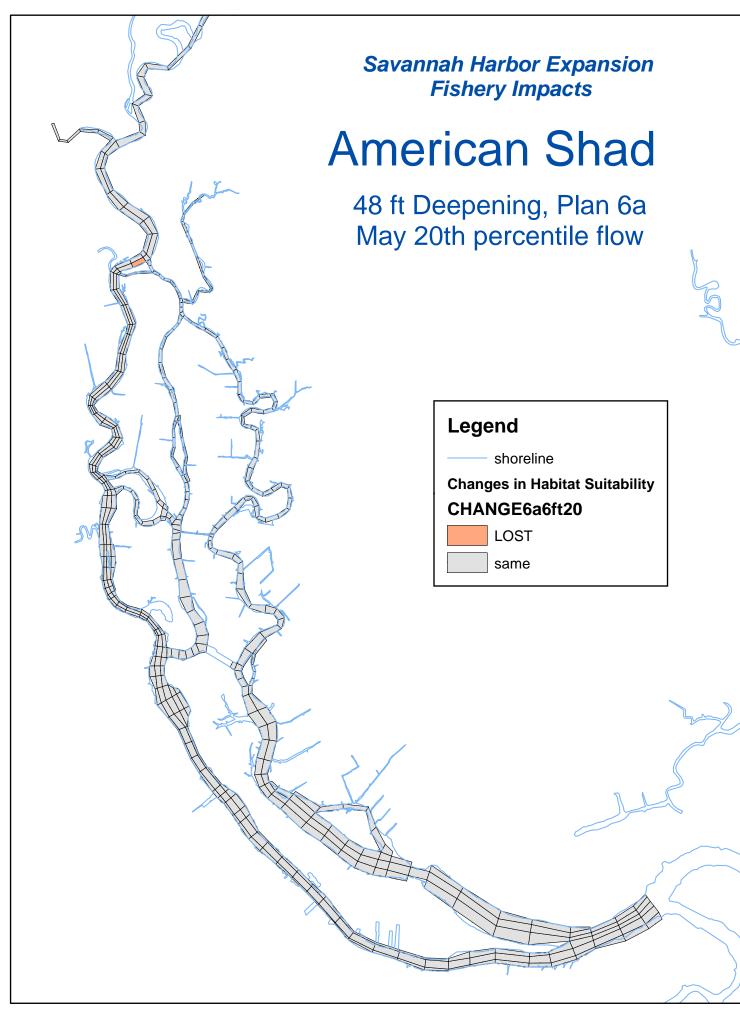


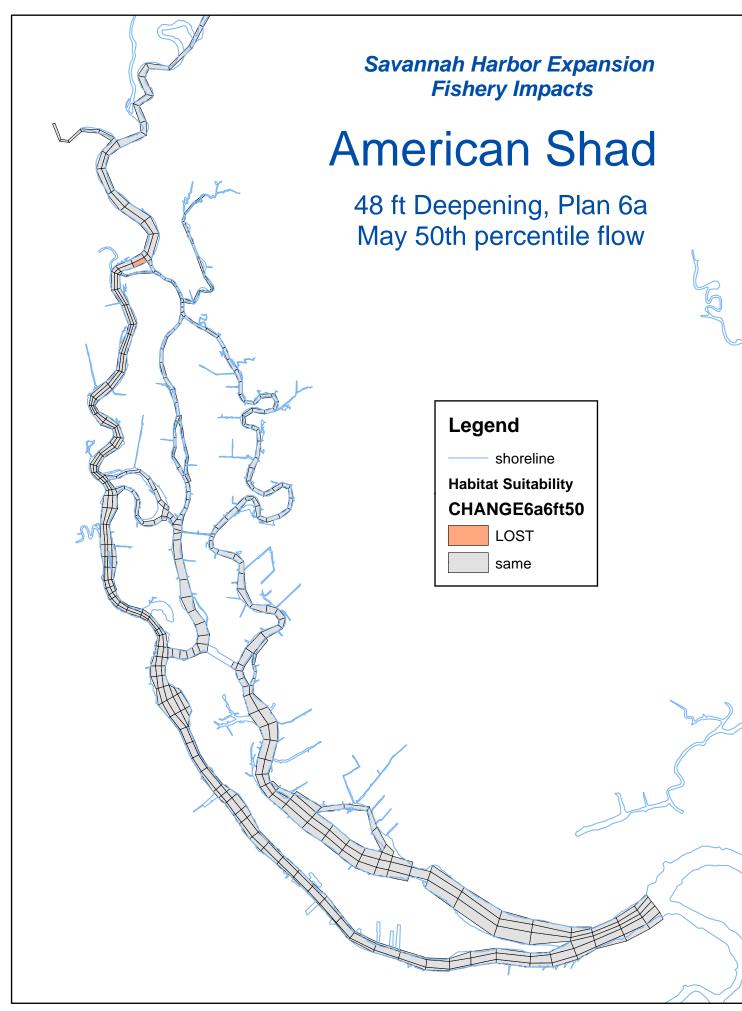


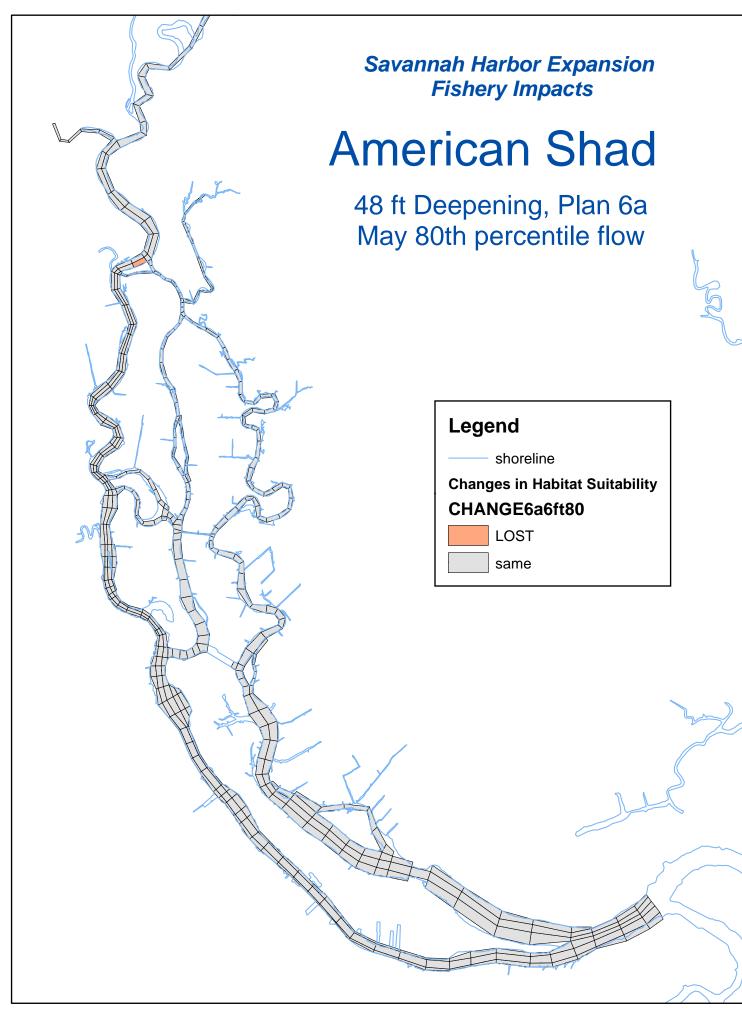


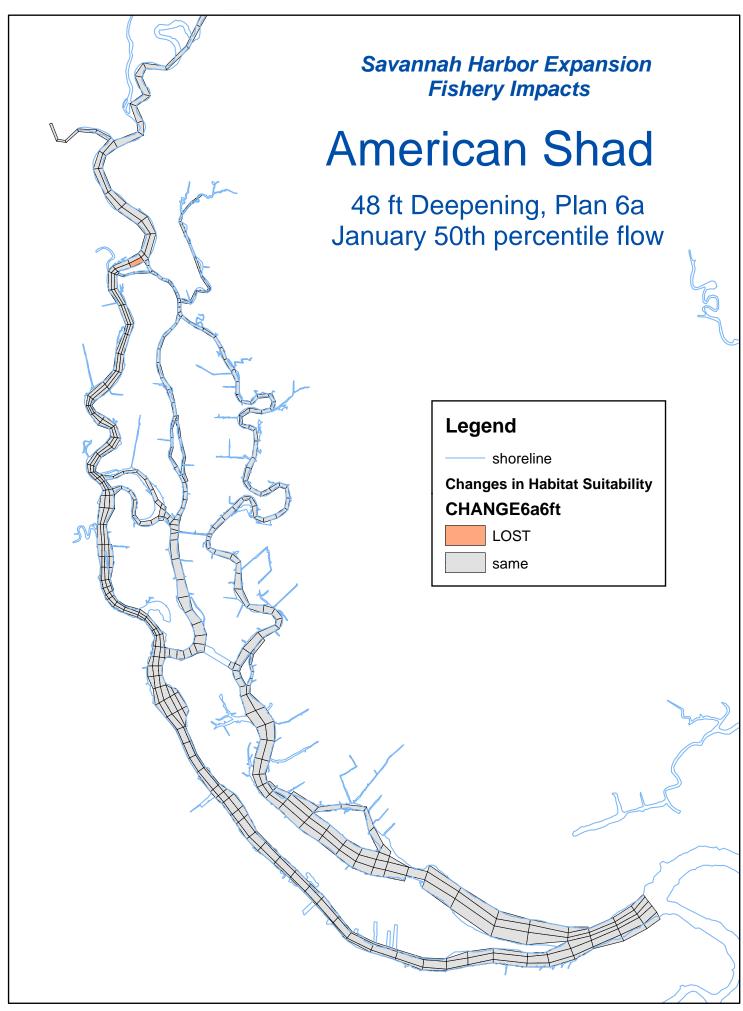
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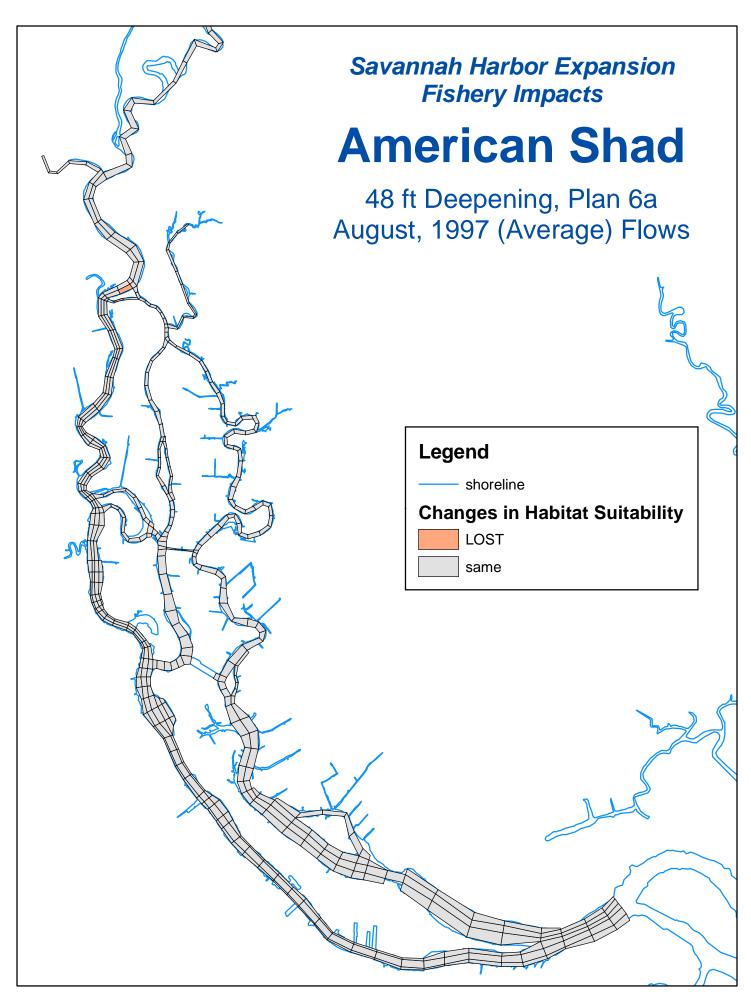
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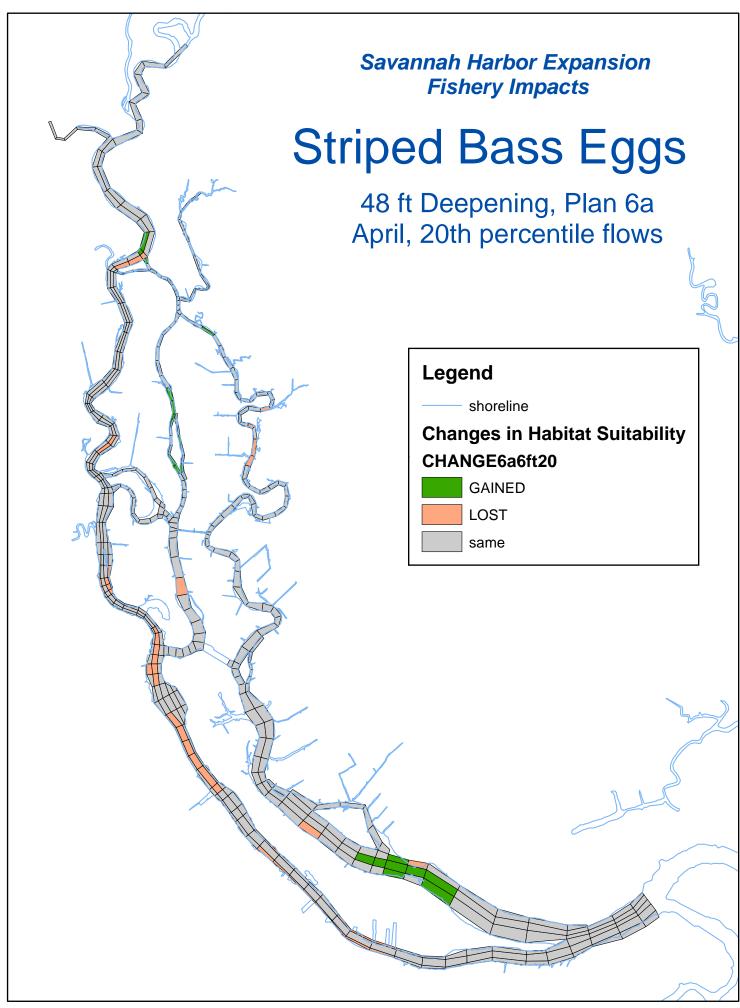


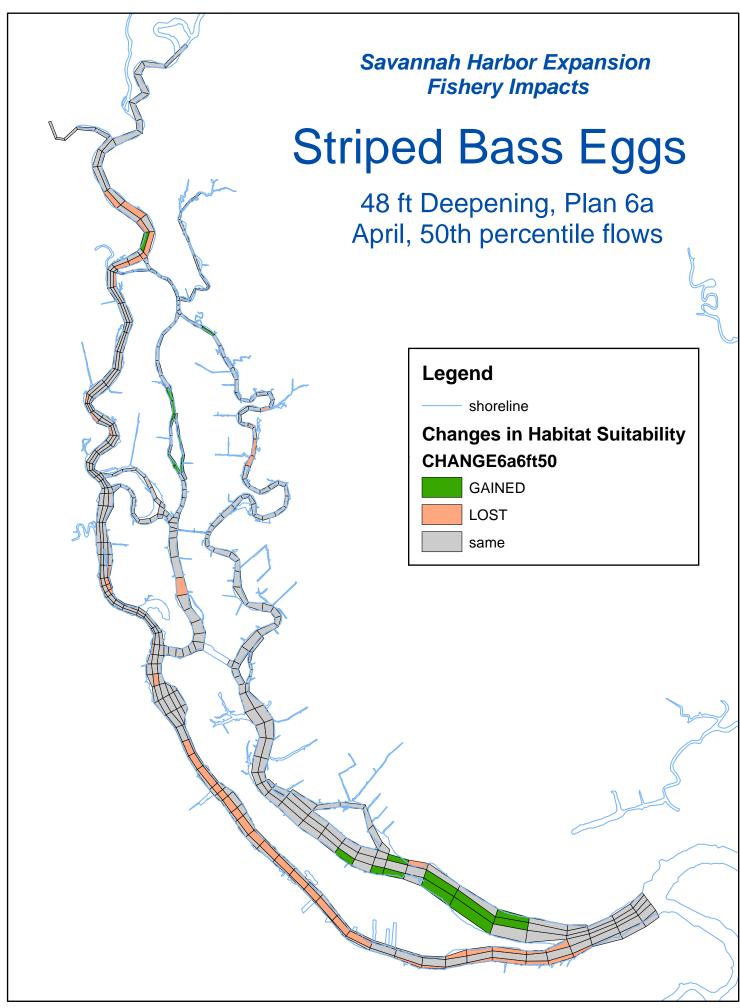


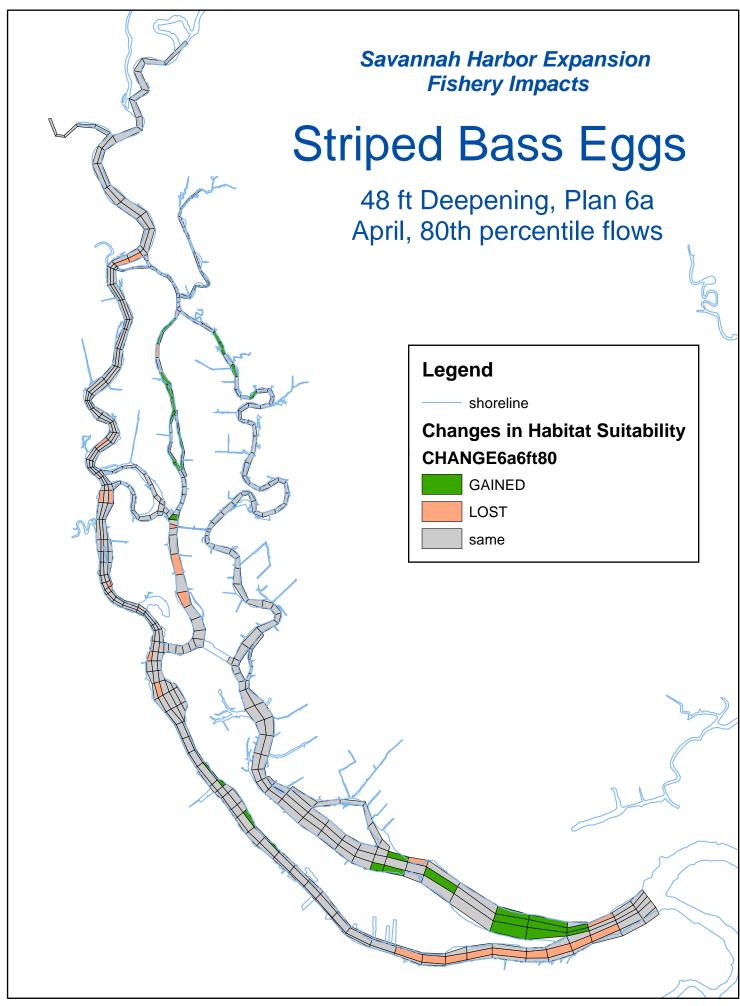


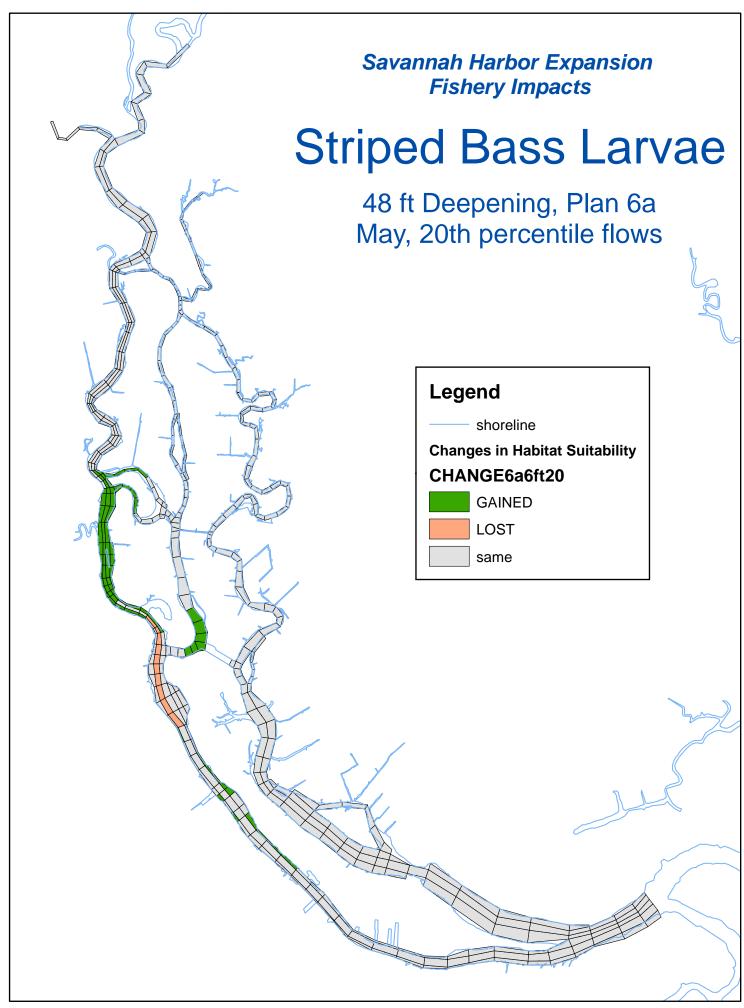


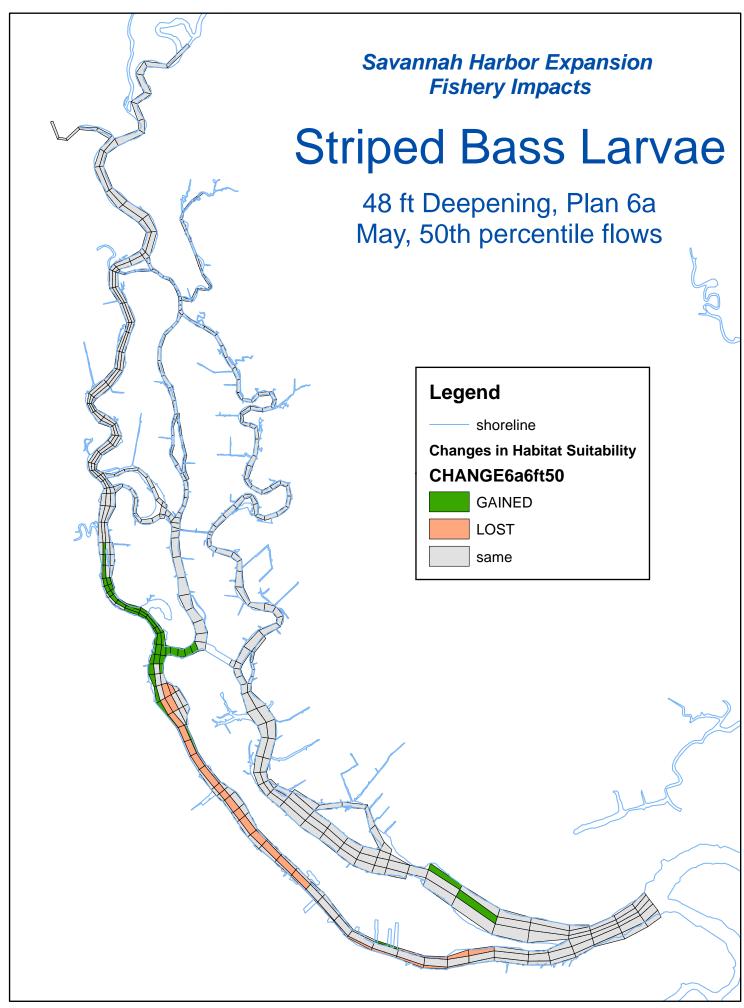


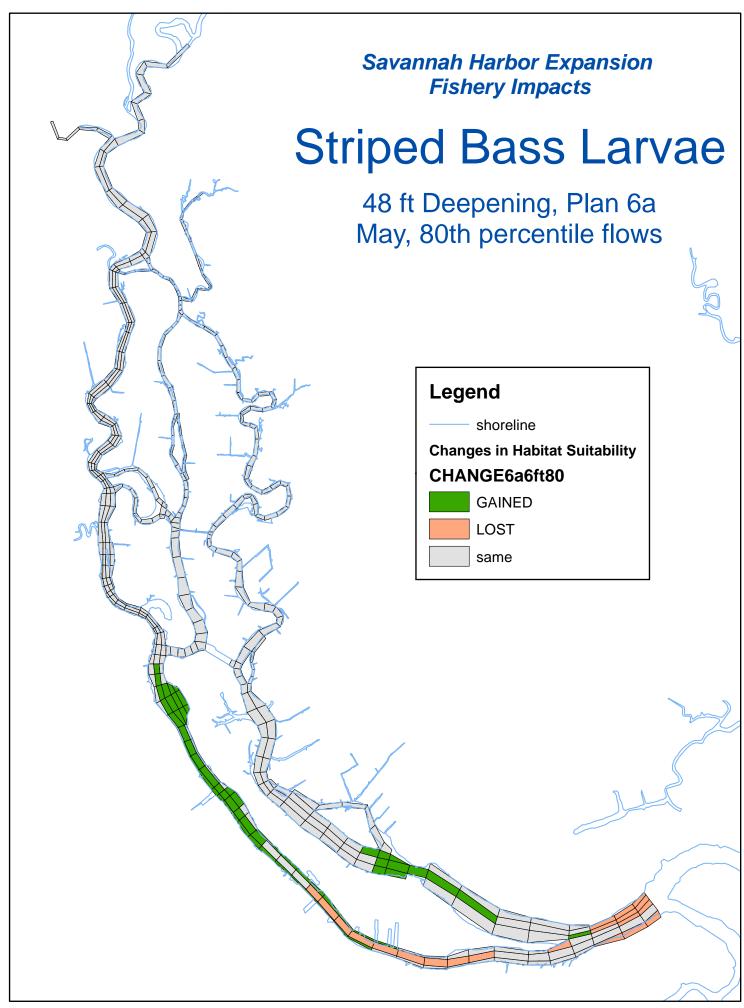


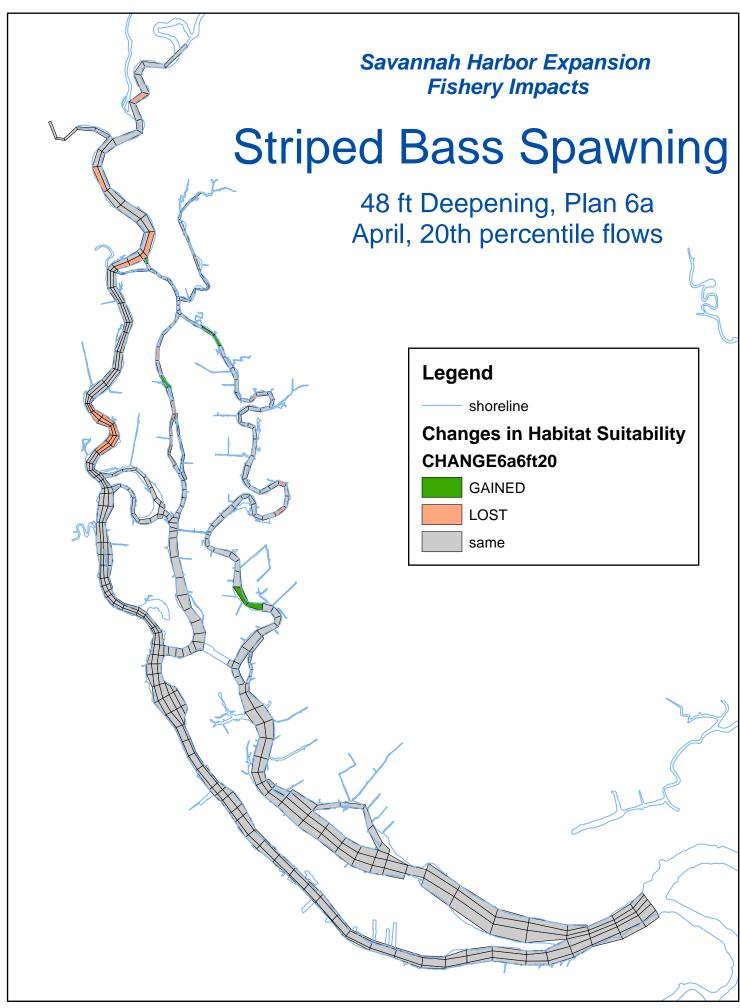


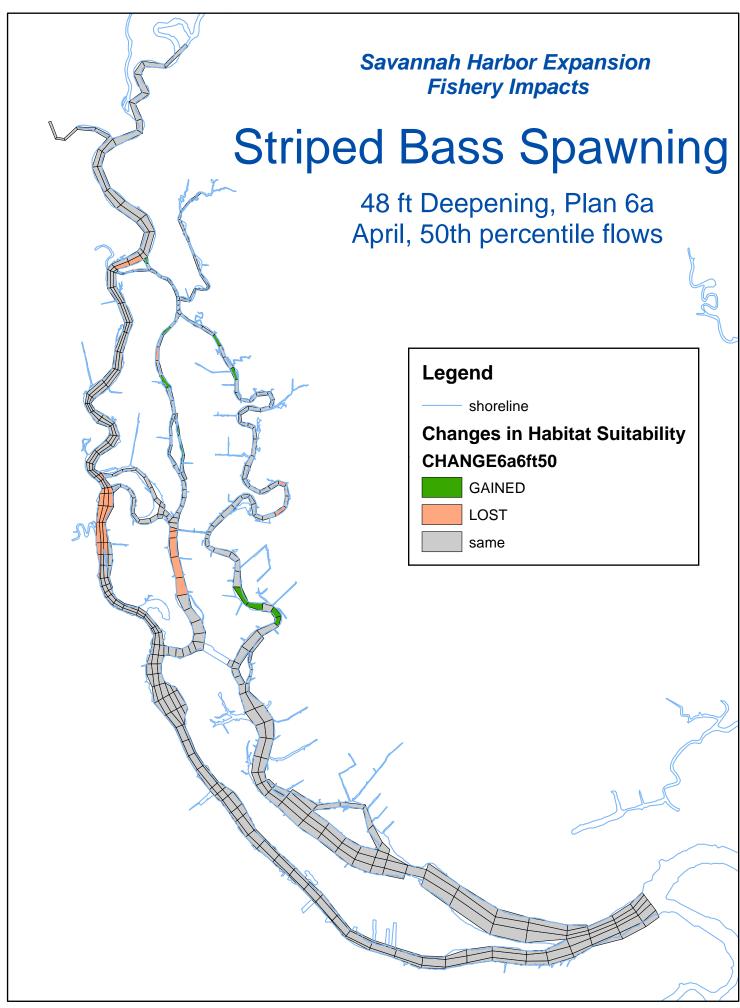


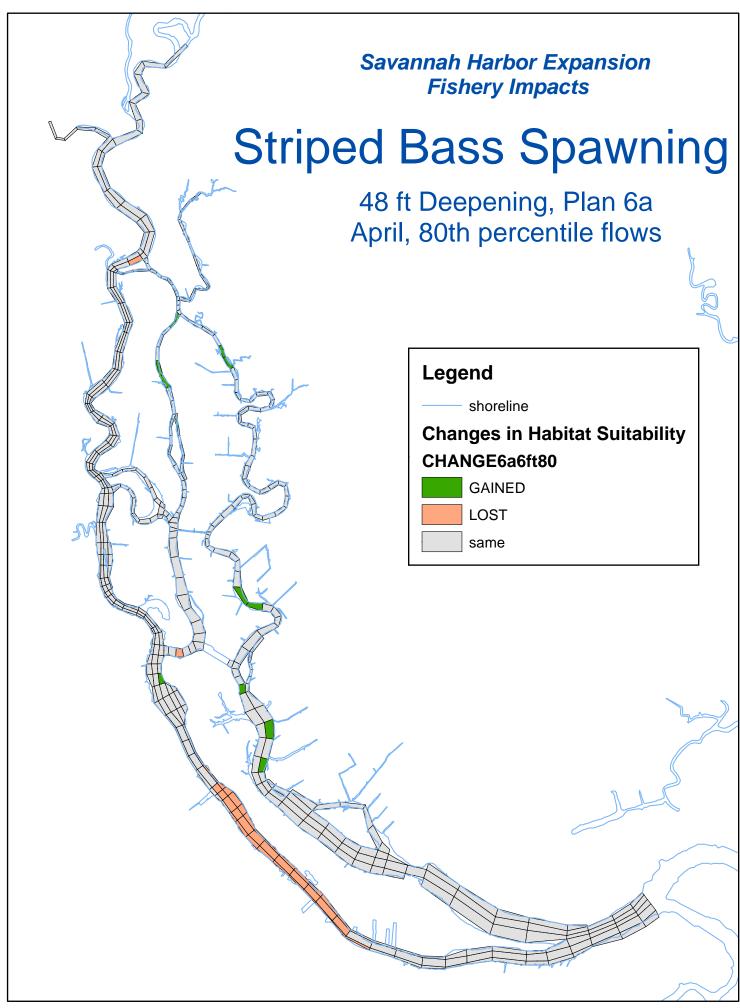


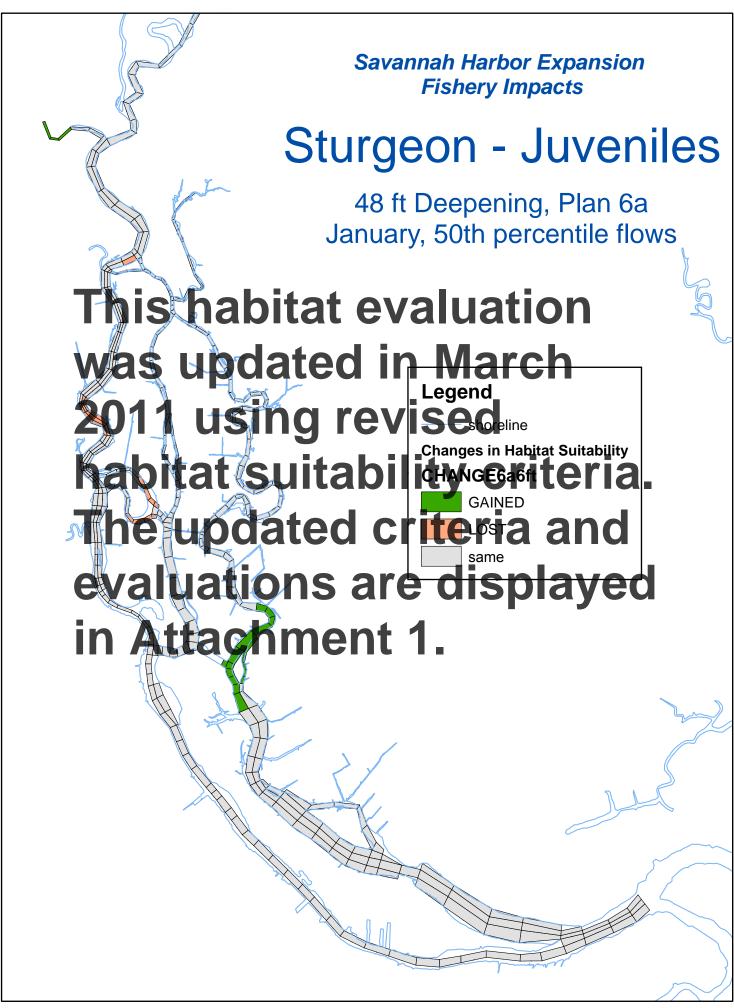


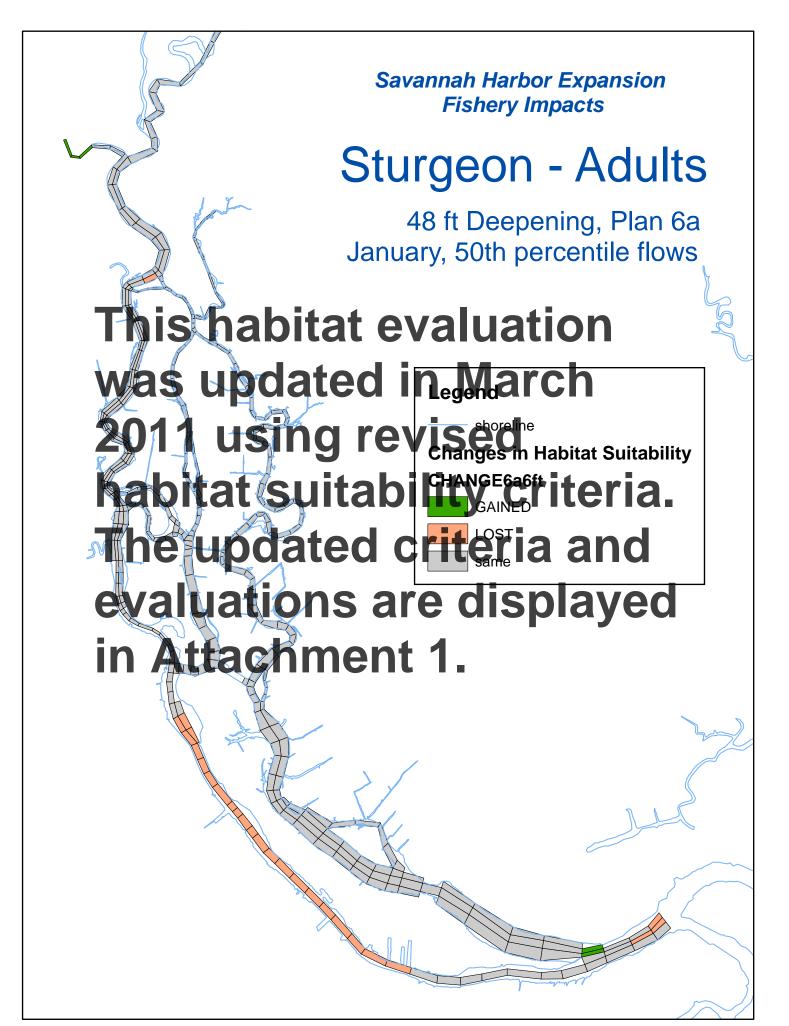


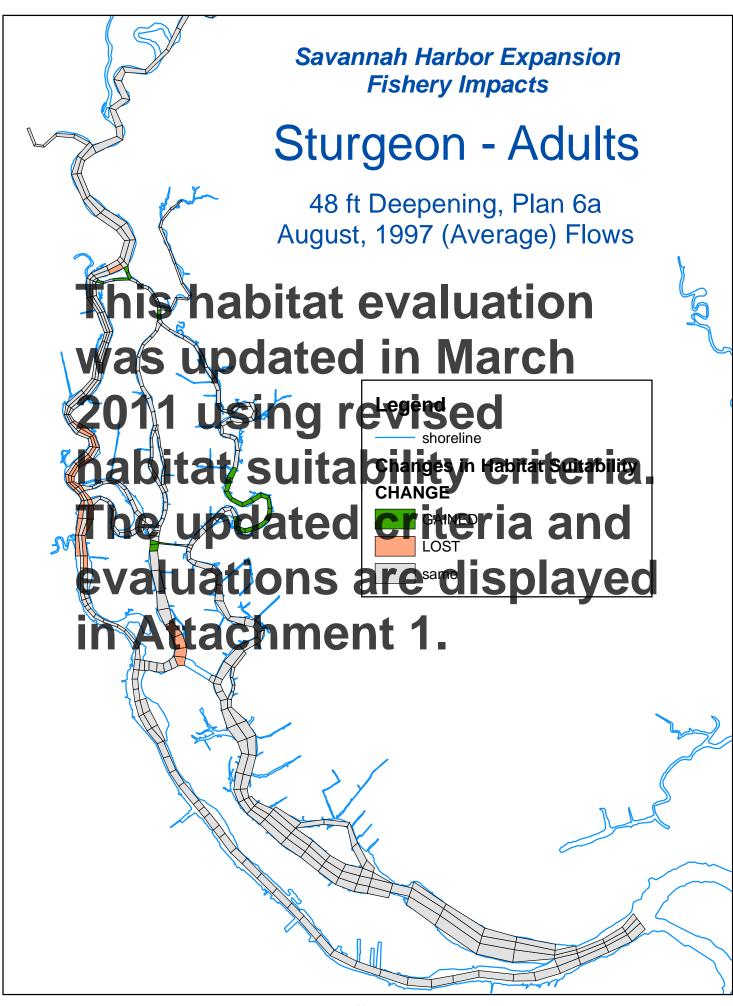


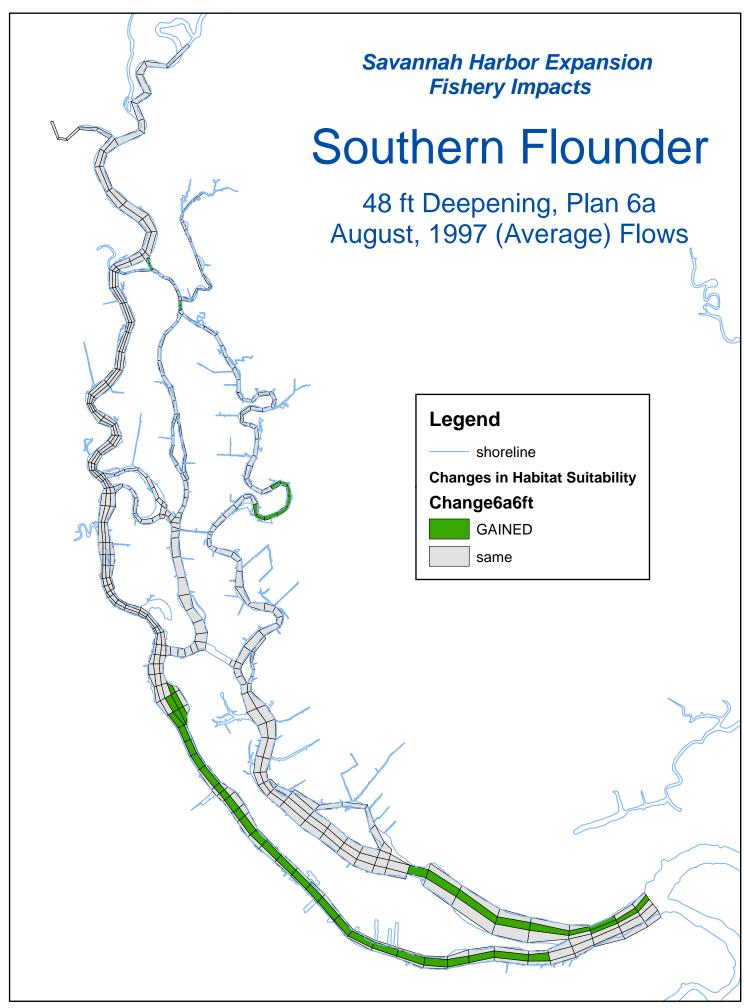












ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT APPENDIX P: Fishery Habitat Maps

SAVANNAH HARBOR EXPANSION PROJECT

Chatham County, Georgia and Jasper County, South Carolina

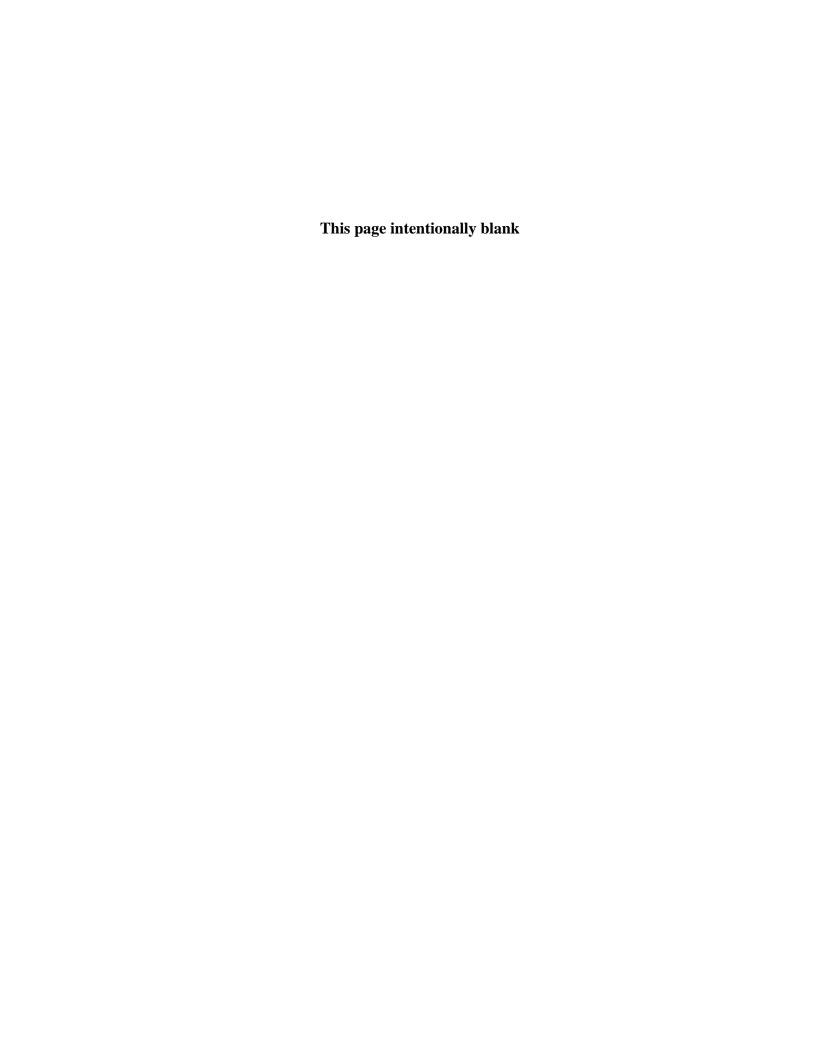
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ATTACHMENT 1

Revised Shortnose Sturgeon Habitat Maps March 2011



US Army Corps of Engineers Savannah District South Atlantic Division



After release of the draft EIS in November 2010, the Corps coordinated with NMFS and the Fisheries Interagency Coordination Team to perform expanded modeling analyses on Shortnose sturgeon habitat. As a result of the coordination, the habitat suitability criteria for juvenile Shortnose sturgeon during the winter was revised to define "suitable" as the following:

Species &	Freshwater	Simulation	Habitat Criteria
Life Stage	Flow Conditions	Period	
Shortnose Sturgeon (juvenile)	50%-tile of Long Term	January	Suitable habitat when DO >= 3.5 mg/l at 90% exceedance (10th percentile), >=3.0 at 95% (5th percentile), and >=2.0 at 99% (1 percentile) Suitable habitat when 50% exceedance of the Max Salinity is <= 14.9 ppt

In addition to the flow conditions specified in the table above, the point source discharges from 2004 were also utilized for the three Shortnose sturgeon simulation periods (Adult January, Adult August, and Juvenile January). The point source discharge information was obtained from USEPA Region 4 and is based on the Discharge Monitoring Reports. The use of the 2004 loadings in the impact analysis is conservative in light of EPA's Revised Draft TMDL for D.O. in Savannah Harbor, which will require a reduction in loading from about 600,000 lbs/day to 130,000 lbs/day. For the August runs, the simulations were also run with and without the proposed D.O. injection loads that are a component of the proposed mitigation for impacts to habitat as outlined in Section 5 of the EIS. Reports detailing the revised Shortnose sturgeon model simulations and predicted impacts are included as supplemental materials to the Engineering Appendix of the GRR.

