Conservation status of freshwater mussels of the United States and Canada
There were almost no collections of freshwater mussels in riverine habitats in the Chattahoochee River between 1930s and 1980s. The lack of data during this period makes it difficult to determine what kind of impact the impoundments had on A. heardi. In the Apalachicola River in Florida the cessation of dredging, which occurred in 2001, has resulted in stabilization of the main channel habitat.