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Kyle is a research civil engineer with the U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center (ERDC) Environmental Laboratory (EL). Prior to joining EL, he received a B.S. in Environmental Engineering from Colorado State University and an M.S. in Civil Engineering from University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. Since joining ERDC in 2007, his research has focused broadly on examining ecological effects of water resources infrastructure. Some of his projects have addressed quantifying environmental benefits of ecosystem restoration, fish passage improvement, environmental flow management, vegetation-flow interaction, and the effects of woody vegetation on levee integrity. Kyle recently completed his PhD at the University of Georgia's Odum School of Ecology, where his doctoral research focused on managing freshwater for ecological objectives. Currently, he is working on methods for quantifying hydrologic connectivity (e.g., fish passage, sediment continuity) and assessing trade-offs in flow management (i.e., environmental flows). He is stationed in Athens, Georgia to facilitate cooperative research between ERDC, the University of Georgia, and EPA Ecosystem Research Division.

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