

Building Successful Partnerships – Rowing the Same Direction

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Presentation roadmap

- **HAB research coordination in KS**
 - **KU Field Station – Aquatic Facility**
- **2 collaborative projects at KUFS**
 - **2018 Tank Project Overview**
 - **High-frequency monitoring at Cross Reservoir**
 - **Vertical profiling**
 - **Sub-hour nutrient data**

HAB research coordination in KS

- **Started in 2017 by Kansas Water Office**
- **Working group with Federal, State, & University**
- **31 members from 10 KS universities or agencies**
- **Primary goal to identify research gaps for KS**

HAB research coordination in KS

- **Identified short- and long-term priorities**
- **Short-term**
 - **What is the historical context for HABs?**
 - **Terrestrial-aquatic interactions (Nutrients)**
- **Long-term**
 - **Are there HAB early-warning signs?**
 - **High-Frequency WQ monitoring**

Experimentally Studying Management

50 ha.

*Manage causes
to better
control effects*



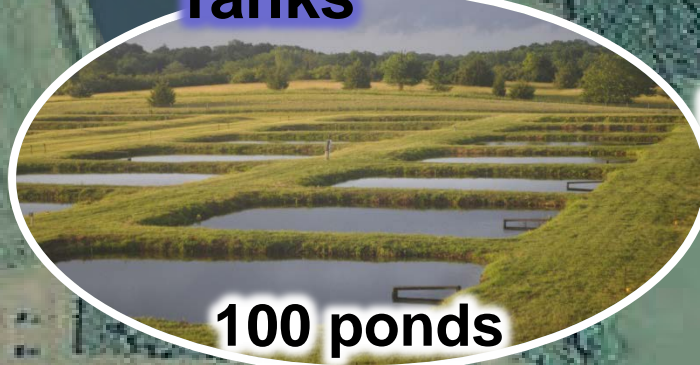
3 ha. 12 m deep

**Experimental
Reservoir
and Watershed**

**Experimental
Ponds and
Tanks**



80 10 m³ tanks



100 ponds

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1977 to Present

*deNoyelles, Kettle and Sinn 1982
deNoyelles et al. 2016*

2018 Tank Experiment

- **Does nutrient form control HAB toxins?**
- **Goal:**
 - **Examine how nutrient limit regimes (N and P) and forms (NO_3 and NH_3) affect cyano + toxins**
- **Funded by KS Water Resource Institute**
- **Collab. with KBS, Mizzou, EPA R7, EPA ORD**

Milford 2017 →



KUFS storage + 2018 Milford inoculum w/ 6 Treatments

<i>Treatment</i>	<i>Target N:P</i>	<i>N-limited?</i>	<i>P-limited?</i>
<i>Control</i>	Ambient	Ambient	Ambient
<i>+ Nitrate</i>	20:1	No	Yes
<i>+ P & Nitrate</i>	4:1	Yes	No
<i>+ Ammonium</i>	20:1	No	Yes
<i>+ P & Ammonium</i>	4:1	Yes	No
<i>+ P</i>	4:1	Yes	No

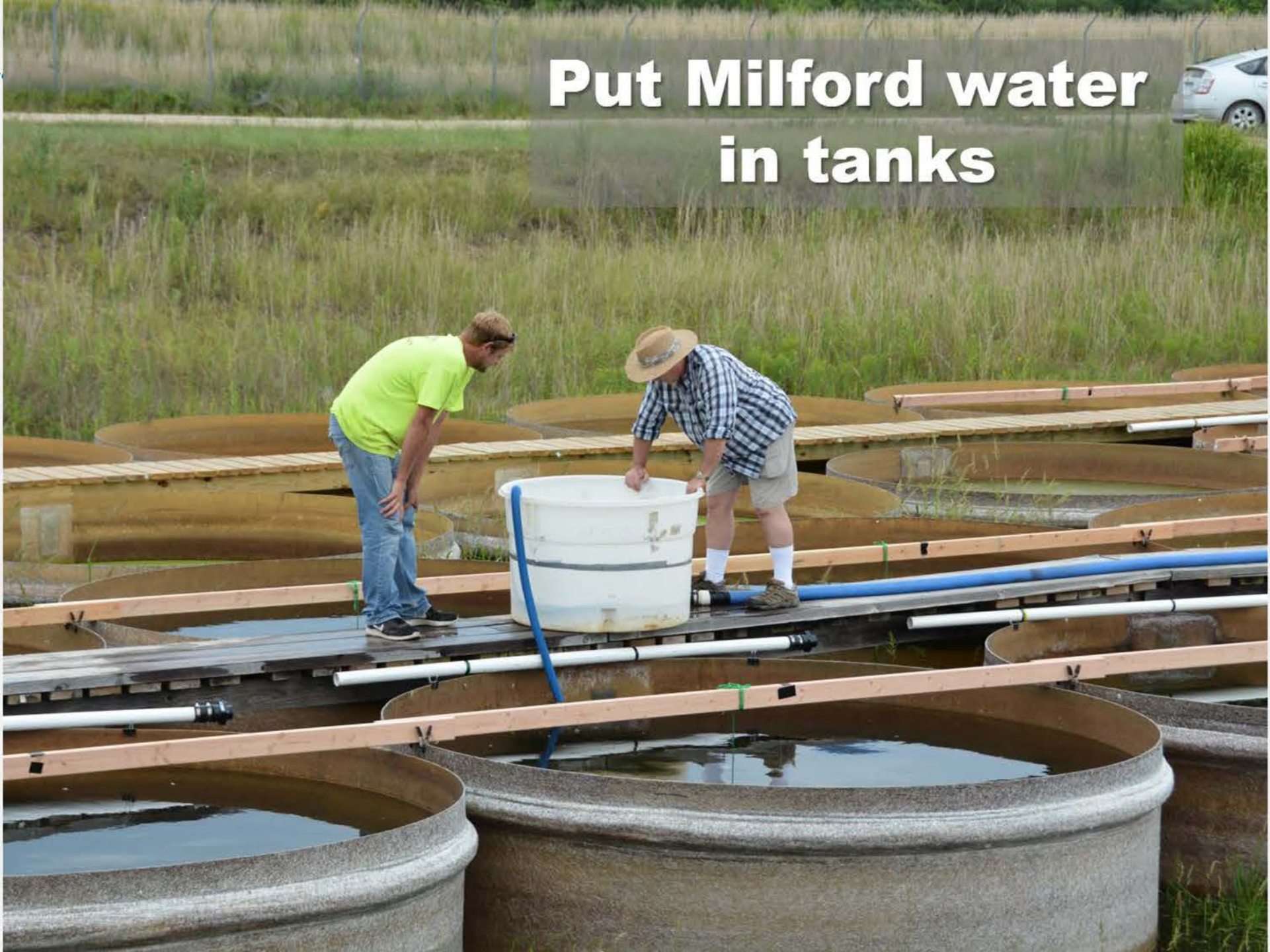


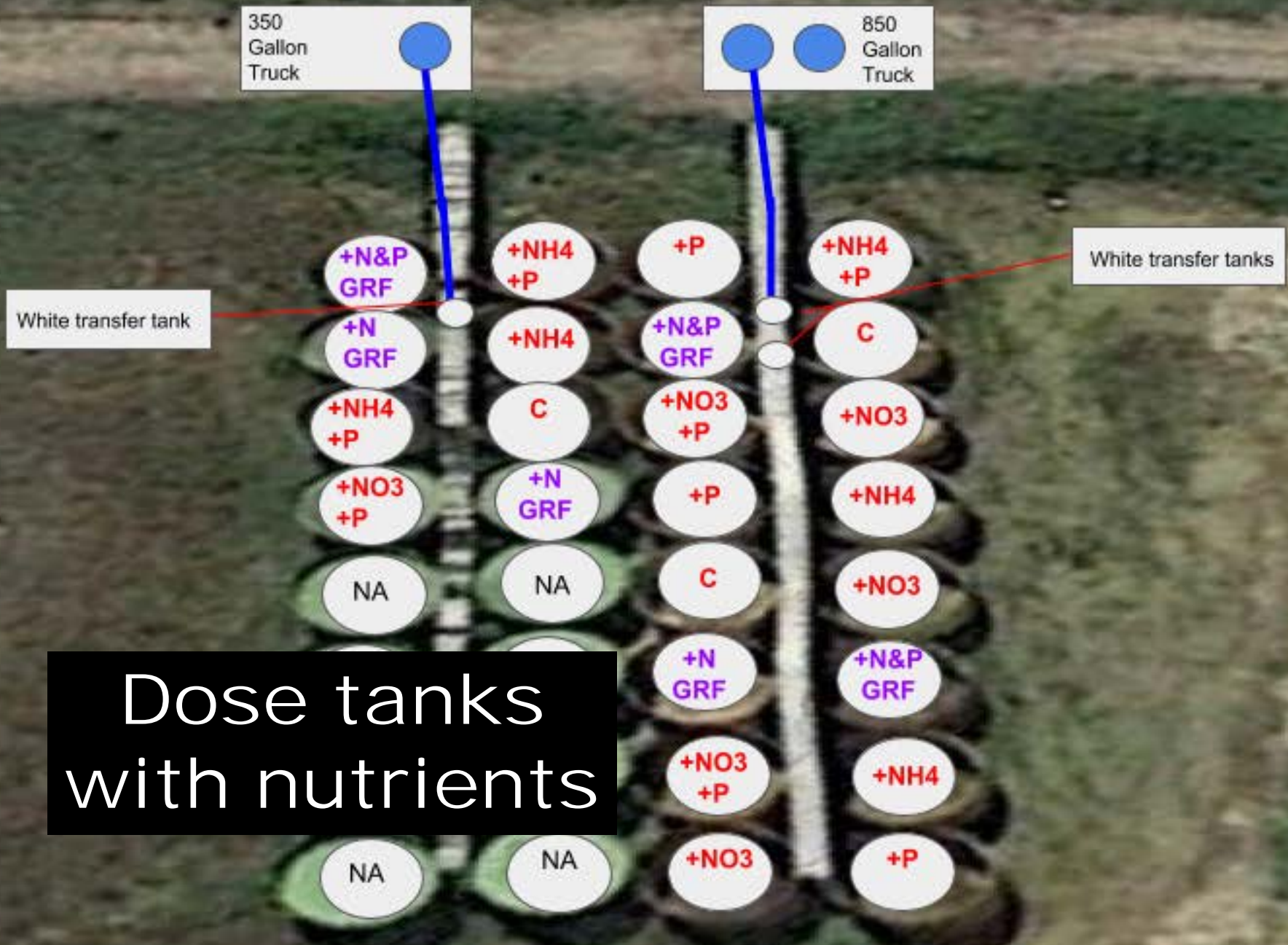
Algae/water
from Milford

Stir to homogenize while dosing

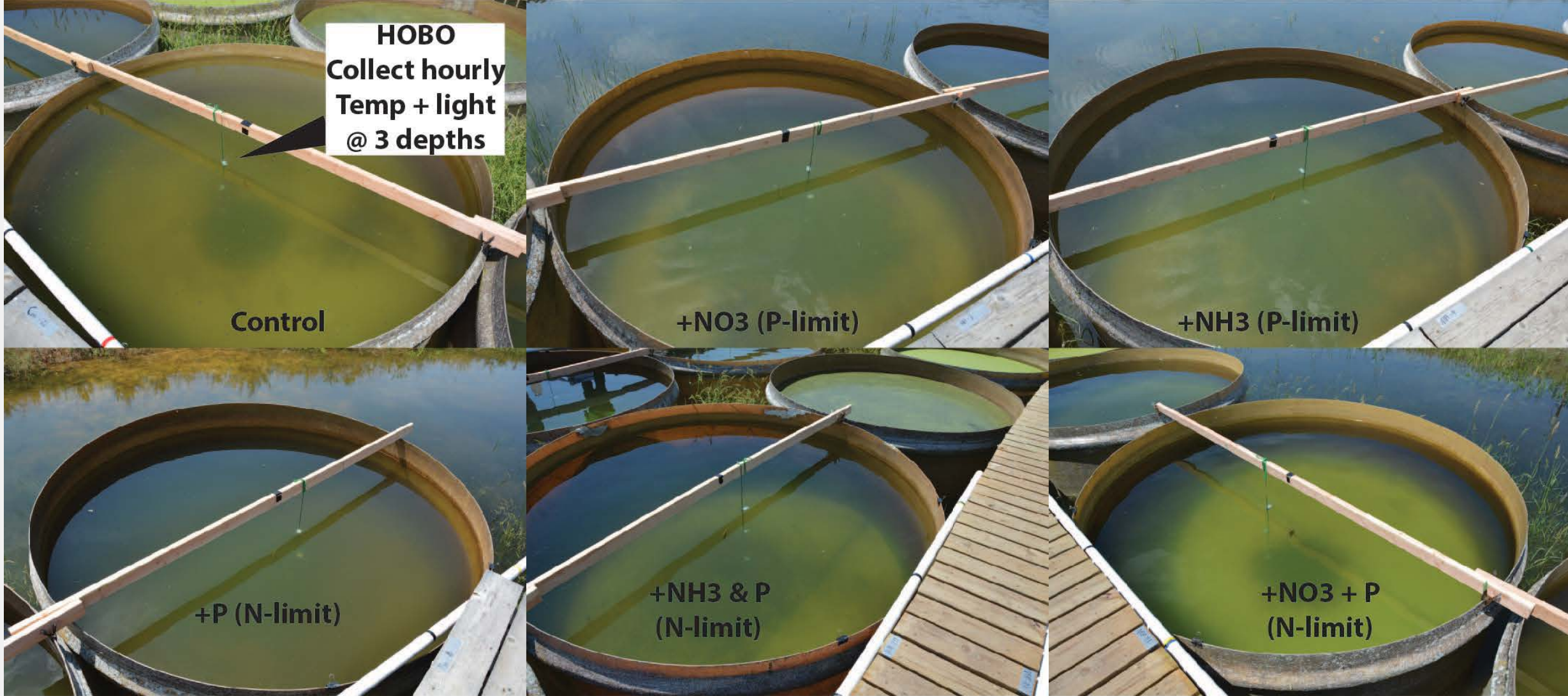


Put Milford water in tanks

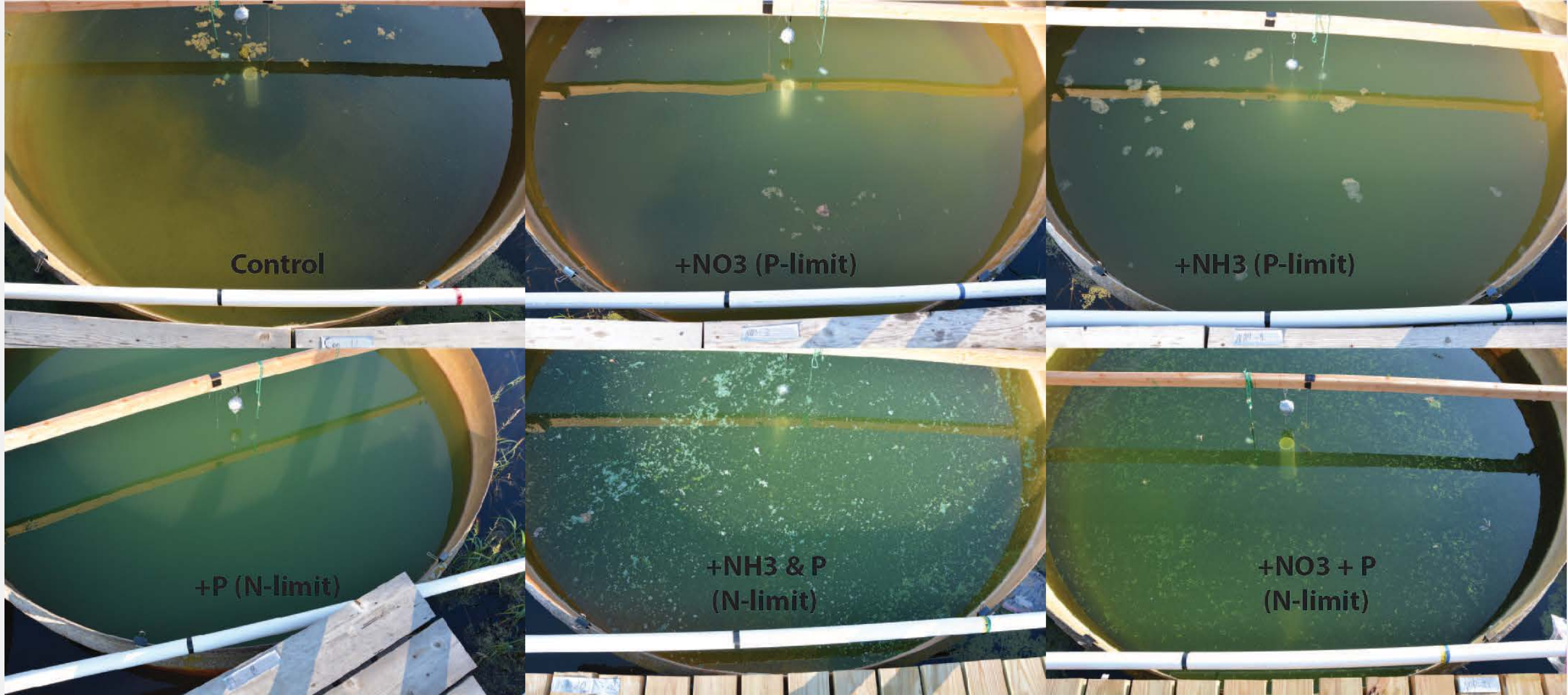




Dose tanks with nutrients

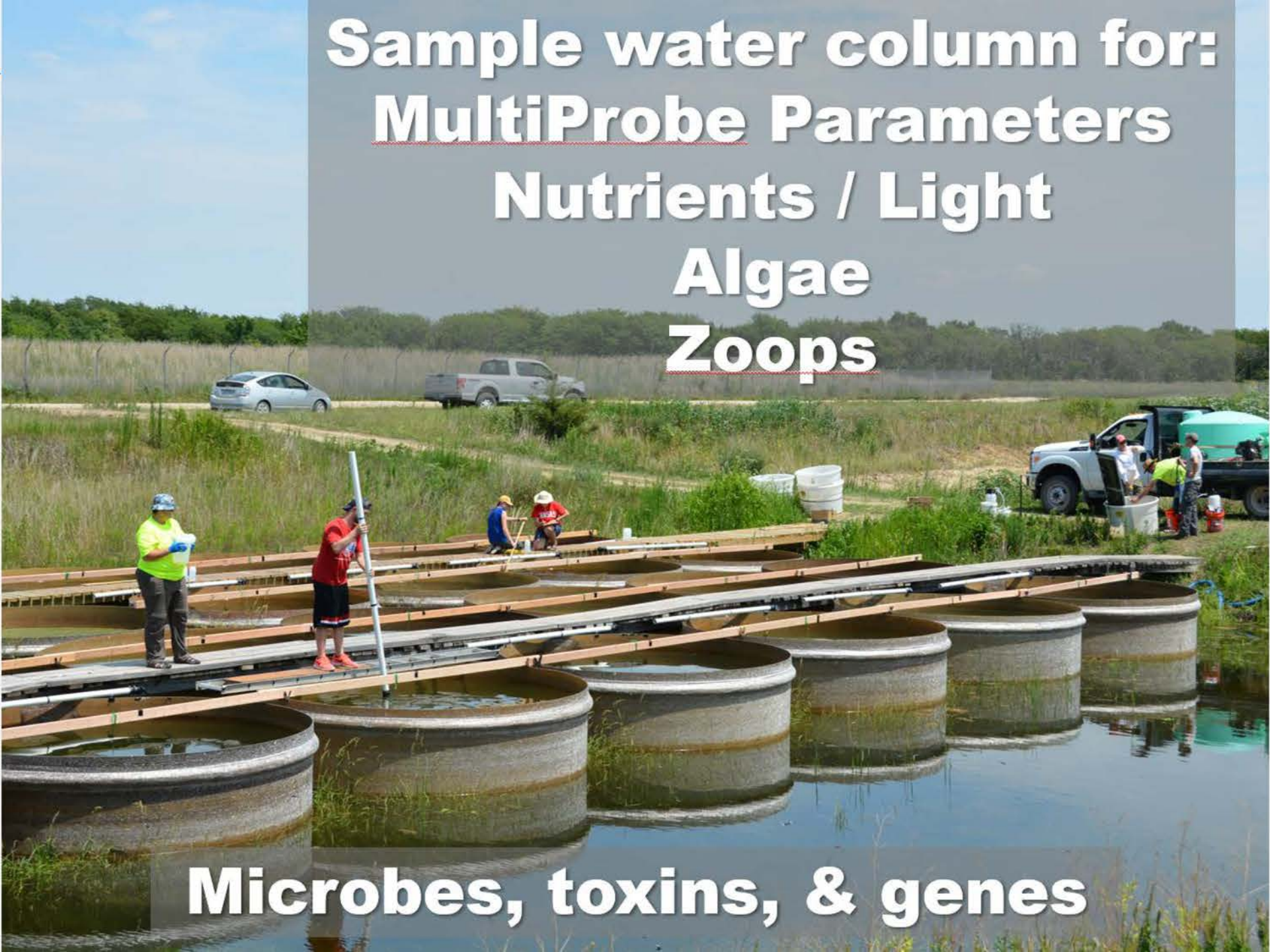


23-Jul-2018 - After Milford water added to all tanks. 1 of 3 replicate tanks pictured per treatment.



13-Aug-2018 - Same tanks as previous picture after 21 days. Note surface scums on N-limit tanks.

Sample water column for: MultiProbe Parameters Nutrients / Light Algae Zoops



Microbes, toxins, & genes

- On-site filter processing for qPCR and Phylochip Samples in EPA Mobile Lab
- Analysis of Phycocyanin and Chlorophyll



- Aliquot collected for EPA laboratory analysis of NO₃/NO₂
- Aliquot collected for EPA ORD analysis of Microcystin congeners by Dr. Heath Mash



- Processing in EPA lab for qPCR
 - Looking for genetic markers indicating cyanobacteria
 - Toxin producing gene sequences for MC, CYL, and SAX
- Phylochip for bacterial community analysis



Profiling Prototype

Building a platform to float “BOB”



Who needs floats, we've got boats!

A couple of batteries, a solar panel, and BOB.



Tying it up.

Cross has three central buoys for this sort of thing.



You can lead a STĒPH to water

Region 7 and Kansas Biological Survey moving the platform.



The other brains of the operation

Stephen Krabbe doing some final checks before deployment.



Pretty much the worst paddler ever.

Regina Klepikow – Region 7

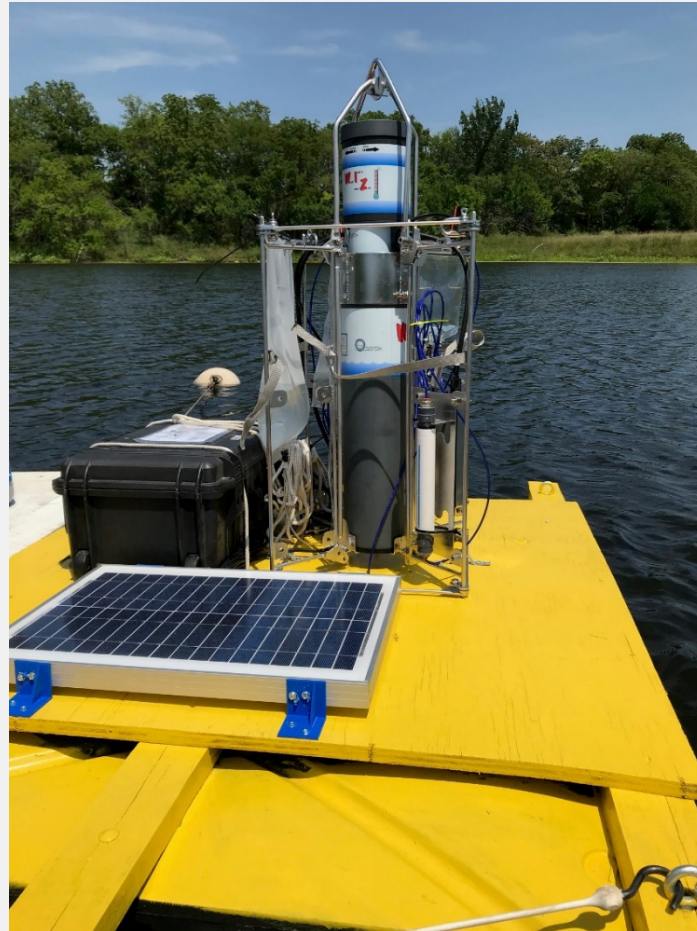


STĚPH, Stephen, and Steve

The Steves.



WIZ – Water Insitu AnalyZer



Thank You!

