Eutrophication model



Explicit model of ecosystem behavior #1

Eutrophication will lead to changes in relative abundances of primary producers in a predictable way.

Explicit model of ecosystem behavior #2

Eutrophication will shift N:P ratios of primary producers towards a taxon-specific "Redfield ratio"



Leaf tissue P content (% of dry weight)

Progressive eutrophication or light reduction

Explicit model of ecosystem behavior #3

Eutrophication will shift seagrass δ^{13} C towards more negative values because of increased discrimination against ¹³C in low light conditions



Progressive eutrophication or light reduction

Not-so-Explicit model of ecosystem behavior #4

Eutrophication will cause some kind of change in $\delta^{15}N$ of primary producers



Progressive eutrophication or light reduction



25cm x 25cm randomly placed for benthic coverage

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25cm x 25cm set sites for benthic coverage

10cm x 10cm randomly placed for canal wall coverage We will also specifically identify and count the conspicuous fish and invertebrates along each transect

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