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TURBIDITY

Harris Bayou

Historical Harris Bayou sites

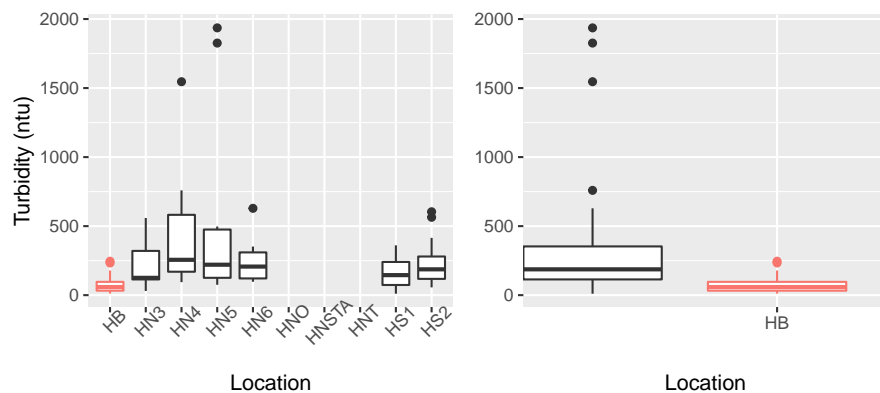
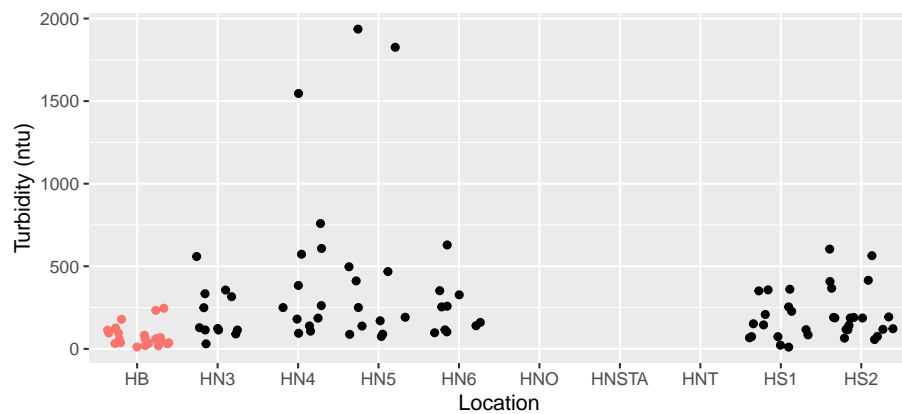
```
##      n      Mean Median
## 1  80 287.475    187
```

Data from Harris Bayou site associated with Delta FARM project

```
##      n      Mean Median
## 1  22 78.37273    58.55
```

Plot the data points.

Red indicates our recent data.



Test for a difference in means

```
wilcox.test(y= oldharris$TUR, x= instreamdata[instreamdata$LOCCODE == "HB", "TUR"],  
            alternative = "less")
```

```
##  
## Wilcoxon rank sum test with continuity correction  
##  
## data: instreamdata[instreamdata$LOCCODE == "HB", "TUR"] and oldharris$TUR  
## W = 260, p-value = 2.322e-07  
## alternative hypothesis: true location shift is less than 0
```

P-value $< \alpha$ here indicates that we can reject the null hypothesis that the difference is not less than zero and conclude, at a %95 confidence level, that the values of our recent data is in fact lower than the historical data. $\alpha = 0.05$ is used throughout.

Percent reduction in the median value

```
x <- median(oldharris$TUR, na.rm= TRUE)  
y <- median(instreamdata[instreamdata$LOCCODE == "HB", "TUR"])  
z <- (y-x)/x * 100  
z
```

```
## [1] -68.68984
```

Here we would use median values because there are outliers and apparent skewness from the boxplot. The mean reduction is even greater (%72). Negative value represents a decrease relative to the historical data.

Porter Bayou

Historical Porter Bayou sites

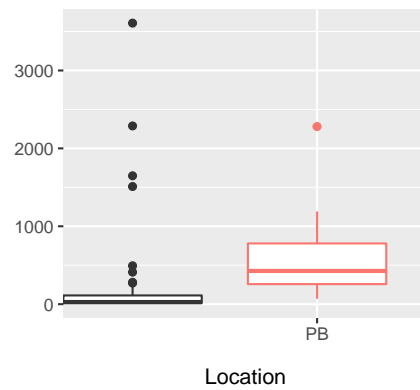
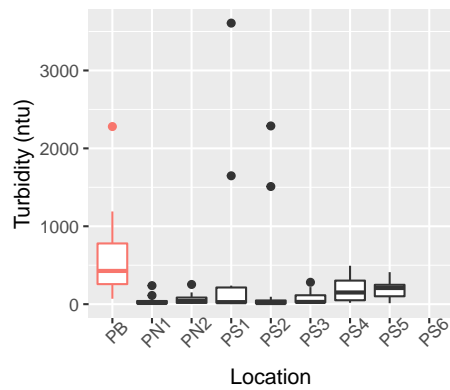
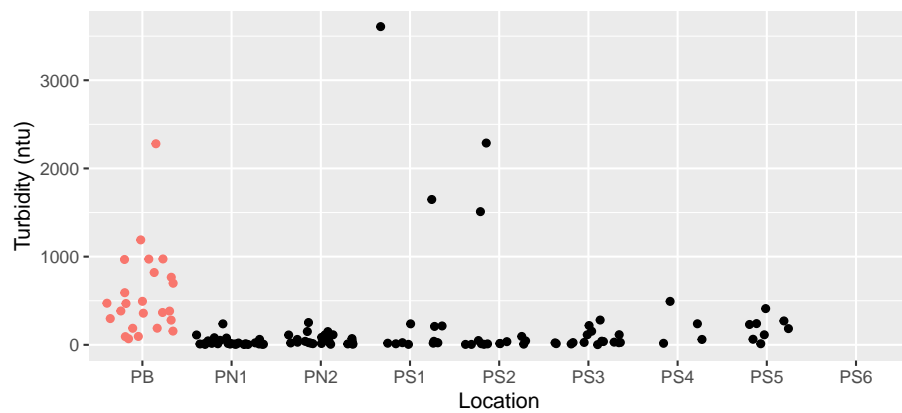
```
##      n      Mean Median
## 1 107 150.7751   27.2
```

Data from Porter Bayou site associated with Delta FARM project

```
##      n      Mean Median
## 1  24 564.8042  426.5
```

Plot the data points.

Red indicates our recent data.



Test for a difference in means

```
wilcox.test(y= oldporter$TUR, x= instreamdata[instreamdata$LOCCODE == "PB", "TUR"],  
            alternative = "greater")
```

```
##  
## Wilcoxon rank sum test with continuity correction  
##  
## data: instreamdata[instreamdata$LOCCODE == "PB", "TUR"] and oldporter$TUR  
## W = 2339, p-value = 1.757e-10  
## alternative hypothesis: true location shift is greater than 0
```

P-value $< \alpha$ here indicates that we can reject the null hypothesis that the difference is not greater than zero and conclude, at a %95 confidence level, that the values of our recent data is in fact higher than the historical data.

H_0 : old data \geq new data

H_a : old data $<$ new data

Percent reduction in the median value

```
x <- median(oldporter$TUR, na.rm= TRUE)  
y <- median(instreamdata[instreamdata$LOCCODE == "PB", "TUR"])  
z <- (y-x)/x * 100  
z
```

```
## [1] 1468.015
```

Here we would use median values because there are outliers and apparent skewness from the boxplot. Positive values represents a relative increase. This relative change can range from (-) 100% decrease to (+) infinite increase.

TOTAL SUSPENDED SOLIDS

Harris Bayou

Historical Harris Bayou sites

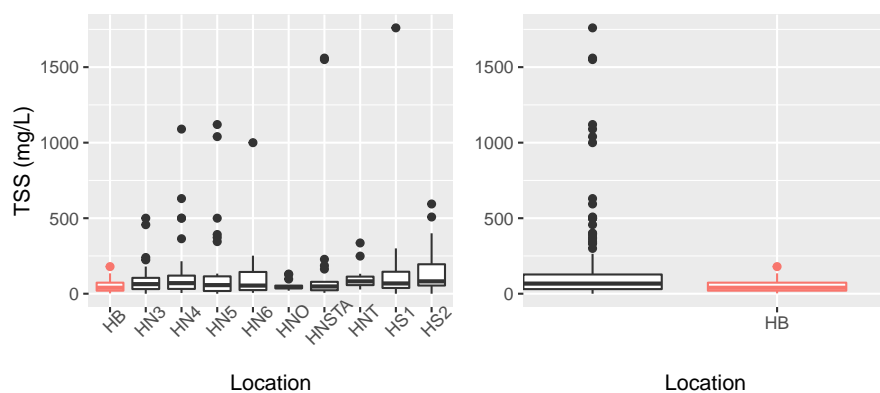
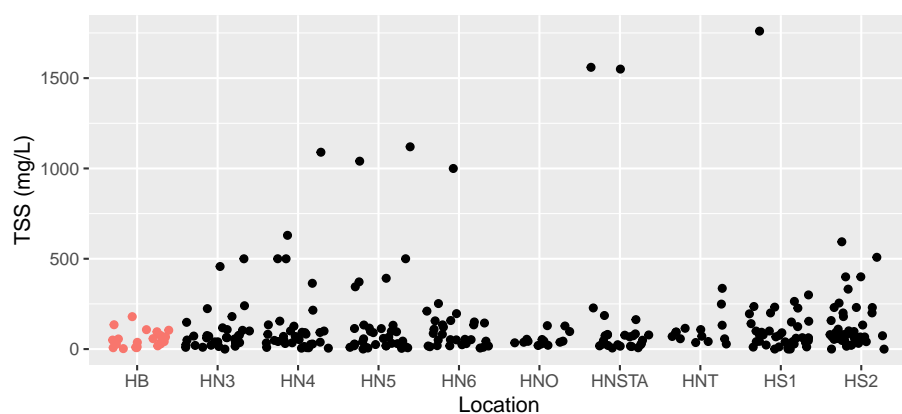
##	n	Mean	Median
## 1	267	129.5443	67

Data from Harris Bayou site associated with Delta FARM project

##	n	Mean	Median
## 1	22	53.77727	39.4

Plot the data points.

Red indicates our recent data.



Test for a difference in means

```
wilcox.test(y= oldharris$TSS, x= instreamdata[instreamdata$LOCCODE == "HB", "TSS"],  
            alternative = "less")
```

```
##  
## Wilcoxon rank sum test with continuity correction  
##  
## data: instreamdata[instreamdata$LOCCODE == "HB", "TSS"] and oldharris$TSS  
## W = 2169.5, p-value = 0.02088  
## alternative hypothesis: true location shift is less than 0
```

P-value $< \alpha = 0.05$ means we can conclude the alternative hypothesis. H_a : our recent samples had less total suspended solids than our historical observations

Percent reduction in the median value

```
x <- median(oldharris$TSS, na.rm= TRUE)  
y <- median(instreamdata[instreamdata$LOCCODE == "HB", "TSS"])  
z <- (y-x)/x * 100  
z
```

```
## [1] -41.19403
```

Porter Bayou

Historical Porter Bayou sites

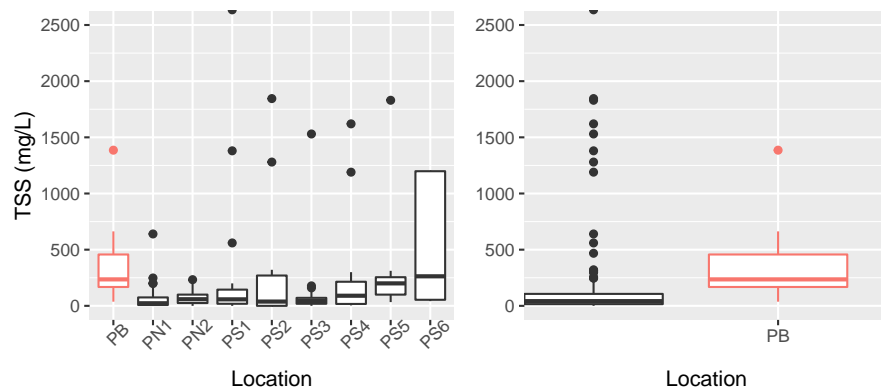
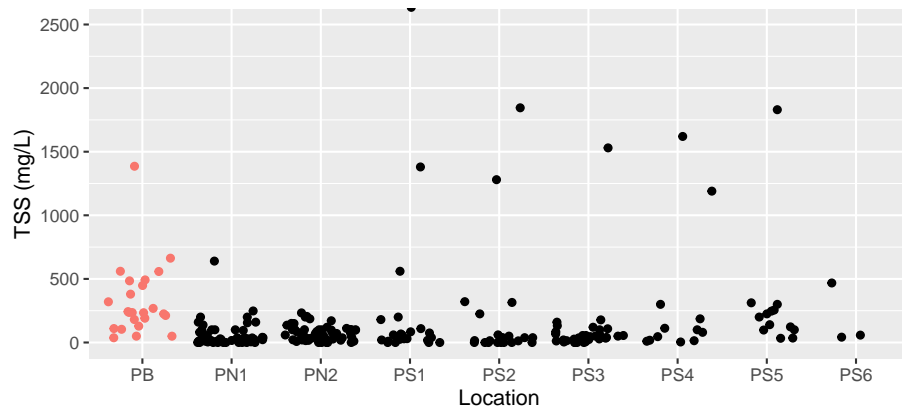
##	n	Mean	Median
## 1	214	293.7352	42

Data from Porter Bayou site associated with the original Delta FARM project

##	n	Mean	Median
## 1	24	324.8958	235.65

Plot the data points.

Red indicates our recent data.



* some outliers clipped from visualization

Test for a difference in means

```
wilcox.test(y= oldporter$TSS, x= instreamdata[instreamdata$LOCCODE == "PB", "TSS"],  
            alternative = "greater")
```

```
##  
## Wilcoxon rank sum test with continuity correction  
##  
## data: instreamdata[instreamdata$LOCCODE == "PB", "TSS"] and oldporter$TSS  
## W = 4312.5, p-value = 2.387e-08  
## alternative hypothesis: true location shift is greater than 0
```

P-value $< \alpha$ leads to rejection of the null hypothesis. H_a : new data is greater than the old data The test lends statistical significance to old porter bayou data values being less than what we recently collected.

Percent reduction in the median value

```
x <- median(oldporter$TSS, na.rm= TRUE)  
y <- median(instreamdata[instreamdata$LOCCODE == "PB", "TSS"])  
z <- (y-x)/x * 100  
z
```

```
## [1] 461.0714
```

This positive number represents a four fold increase from values formerly observed in porter bayou.

TOTAL NITROGEN

Harris Bayou

Historical Harris Bayou sites

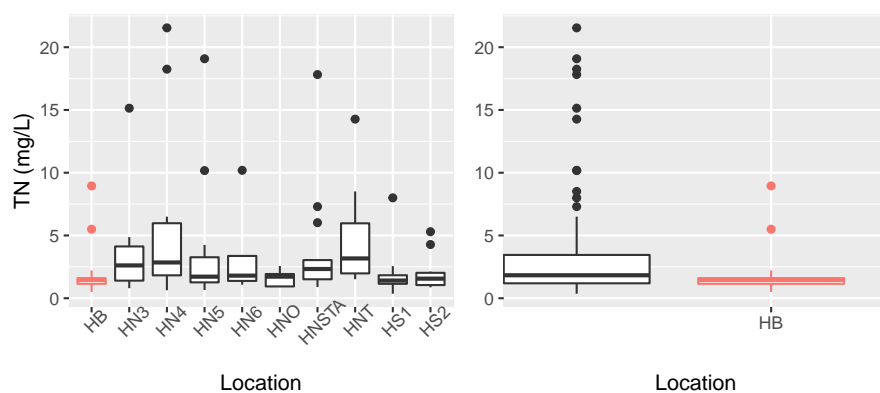
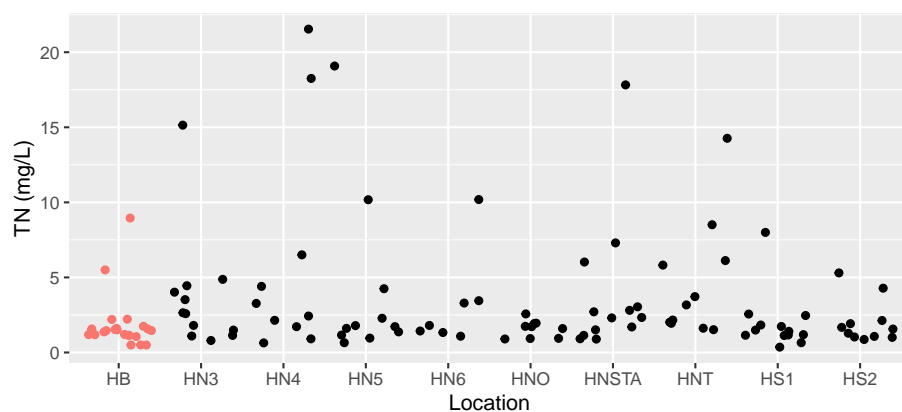
##	n	Mean	Median
## 1	97	3.462268	1.83

Data from Harris Bayou site associated with Delta FARM project

##	n	Mean	Median
## 1	22	1.867727	1.455

Plot the data points.

Red indicates our recent data.



Test for a difference in means

```
wilcox.test(y= oldharris$TN, x= instreamdata[instreamdata$LOCCODE == "HB", "TN"],  
            alternative = "less")
```

```
##  
## Wilcoxon rank sum test with continuity correction  
##  
## data: instreamdata[instreamdata$LOCCODE == "HB", "TN"] and oldharris$TN  
## W = 721.5, p-value = 0.009093  
## alternative hypothesis: true location shift is less than 0
```

P-value $< \alpha = 0.05$: reject null that old values are \leq new observations.

H_a : new observations $<$ old observations.

Percent reduction in the median value

```
x <- median(oldharris$TN, na.rm= TRUE)  
y <- median(instreamdata[instreamdata$LOCCODE == "HB", "TN"])  
z <- (y-x)/x * 100  
z
```

```
## [1] -20.4918
```

Negative value here represents a twenty percent reduction over the historical observations.

Porter Bayou

Historical Porter Bayou sites

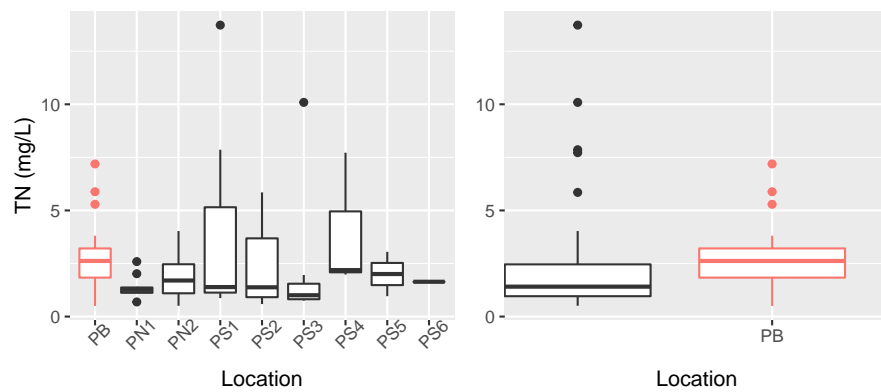
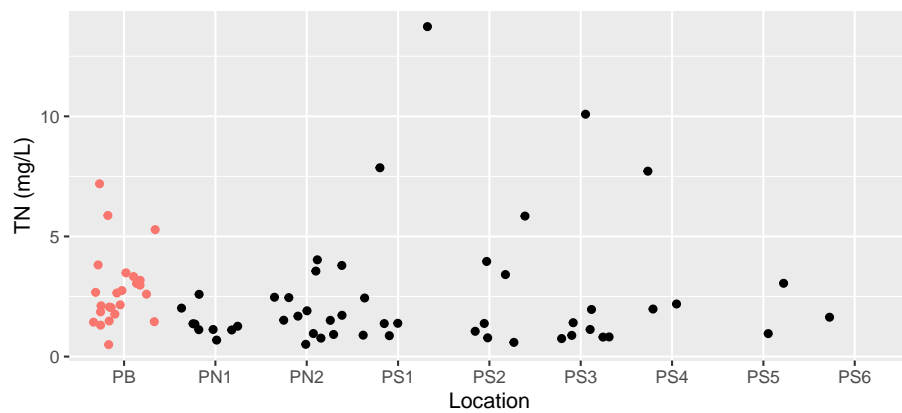
```
##      n      Mean Median
## 1  51  2.380196   1.41
```

Data from Porter Bayou site associated with Delta FARM project

```
##      n      Mean Median
## 1  24  2.791667   2.62
```

Plot the data points.

Red indicates our recent data.



Test for a difference in means

```
wilcox.test(y= oldporter$TN, x= instreamdata[instreamdata$LOCCODE == "PB", "TN"],  
            alternative = "greater")
```

```
##  
## Wilcoxon rank sum test with continuity correction  
##  
## data: instreamdata[instreamdata$LOCCODE == "PB", "TN"] and oldporter$TN  
## W = 848.5, p-value = 0.003675  
## alternative hypothesis: true location shift is greater than 0
```

P-value $< \alpha$ leads to rejection of null hypothesis that porter bayou TN concentrations are \leq old observations and conclude the alternative. H_a : new observations are greater than old ones.

Percent reduction in the median value

```
x <- median(oldporter$TN, na.rm= TRUE)  
y <- median(instreamdata[instreamdata$LOCCODE == "PB", "TN"])  
z <- (y-x)/x * 100  
z
```

```
## [1] 85.8156
```

This positive value represents an increase from the historical observations.

Summary

Method	Location	Analyte	Alternative	P.value	relative.reduction
Wilcoxon rank sum test	Harris Bayou	Turbidity	less	0.0000002	-68.68984
		Total Suspended Solids	less	0.0208840	-41.19403
		Total Nitrogen	less	0.0090933	-20.49180
	Porter Bayou	Turbidity	greater	0.0000000	1468.01471
		Total Suspended Solids	greater	0.0000000	461.07143
		Total Nitrogen	greater	0.0036753	85.81560

Positive relative reduction values represent an increase over historical observations. Alternative specifies H_a : current observations are ____ than historical observations