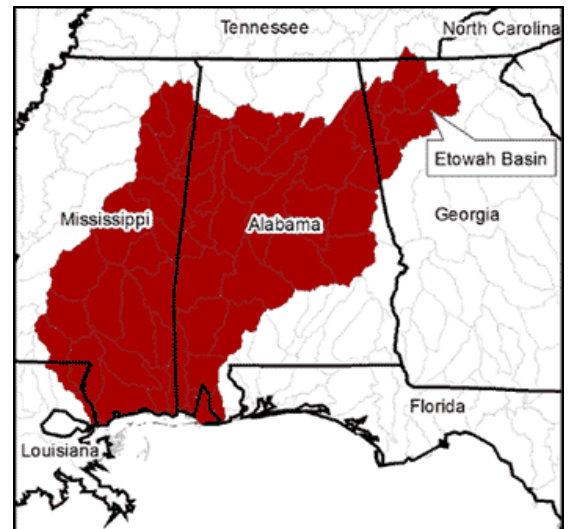


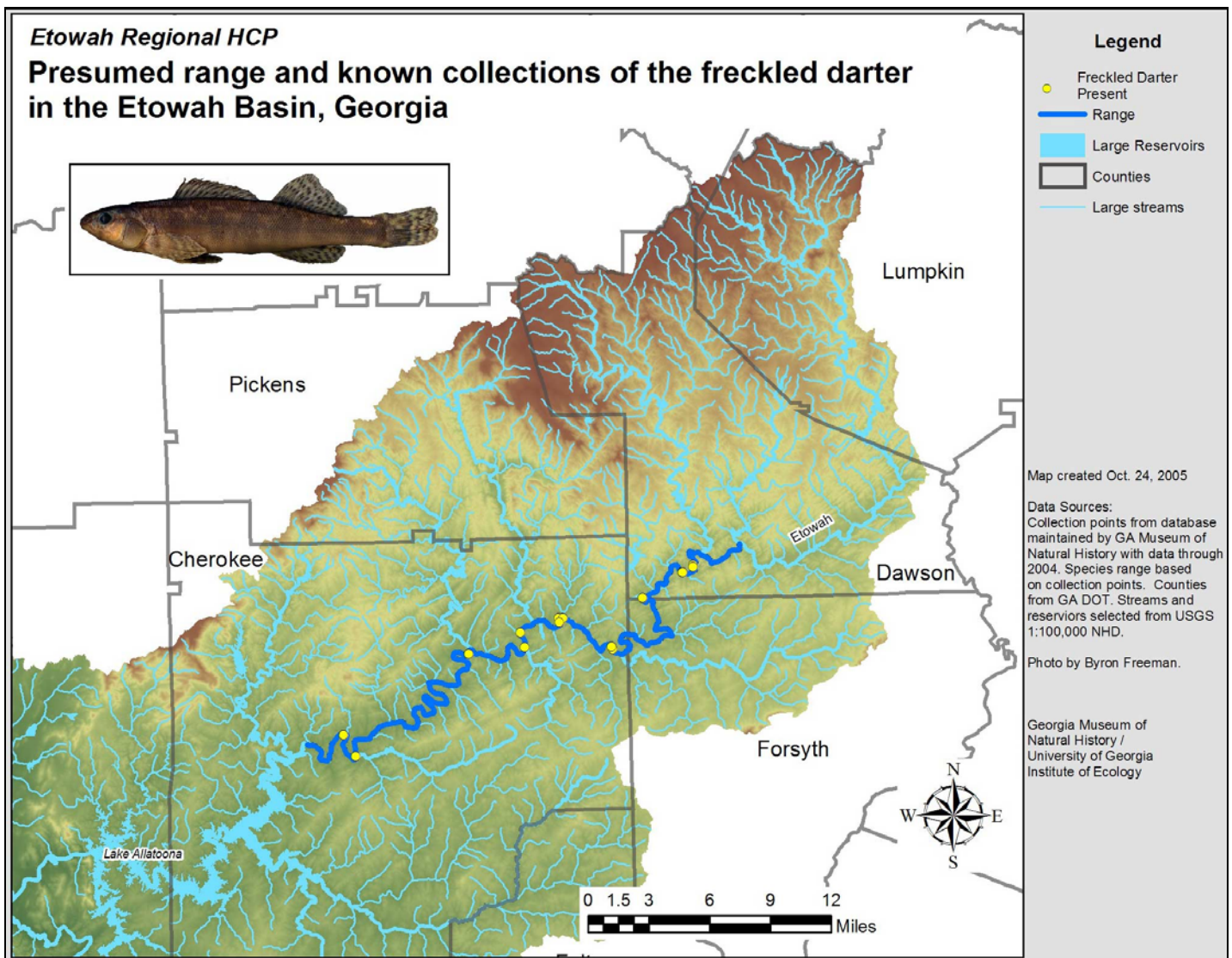
About the freckled darter (*Percina lenticula*):

Status: Georgia listed endangered / likely candidate for Federal listing

The freckled darter is the largest of all darters inhabiting the Etowah, reaching lengths of up to 8 inches—more than twice that of most of its cousins. An inhabitant of large rivers, the freckled darter is also known from the Pascagoula, Pearl, Tombigbee, Alabama, Cahaba, Coosa, Tallapoosa, and Conasauga Rivers, although these populations are now separated by dams and all are believed to be imperiled. It is rare and prefers fast, deep water, which makes it very difficult to catch and study. Consequently, little is known of its life history. The freckled darter is listed as endangered by the State of Georgia and is a candidate species for federal listing.



Complete known range of the freckled darter



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