Re: Contact information for Georgia Ecological Services

From: Pattavina, Pete <pete_pattavina@fws.gov> Sent: Tuesday, September 25, 2013 4:16 PM

To: Becker, James M <james.becker@pnnl.gov>; Tamara Johnson <tamara_johnson@fws.gov>

Subject: Contact information for Georgia Ecological Services

Mr. Becker,

Your information is correct. Our only extant population of Rhus michauxii found within a naturally-functioning habitat is located within Elbert County, along the Broad River. A highly-disturbed population, whose natural habitat was destroyed and then the plants placed back at a later date, occurs in Newton County, Georgia.

Historic--but extirpated--populations existed in the Atlanta metro area (Cobb County) and in Muscogee County, south of Columbus.

Historic occurrences, paired with our extant occurrences, describe a very disjunct distribution of this species in our state, with the species potentially occurring in discrete pockets of habitat that could be found throughout our Southern Outer Piedmont Physiographic Province. It is likely that the species has always been exceedingly rare in Georgia.

Pete Pattavina

On Wed, Sep 25, 2013 at 3:41 PM, Becker, James M < james.becker@pnnl.gov> wrote:

Thanks Pete. Here's the information I would like to have confirmed.

Jim

"The only extant population of Michaux's sumac (*Rhus michauxii*) occurring in its natural habitat in the State of Georgia is located in Elbert County."

From: Pattavina, Pete [mailto:<u>pete_pattavina@fws.gov</u>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 25, 2013 12:38 PM

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Hi, Jim. Tamara Johnson (tamara johnson@fws.gov) and I will be your contacts for your project.

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