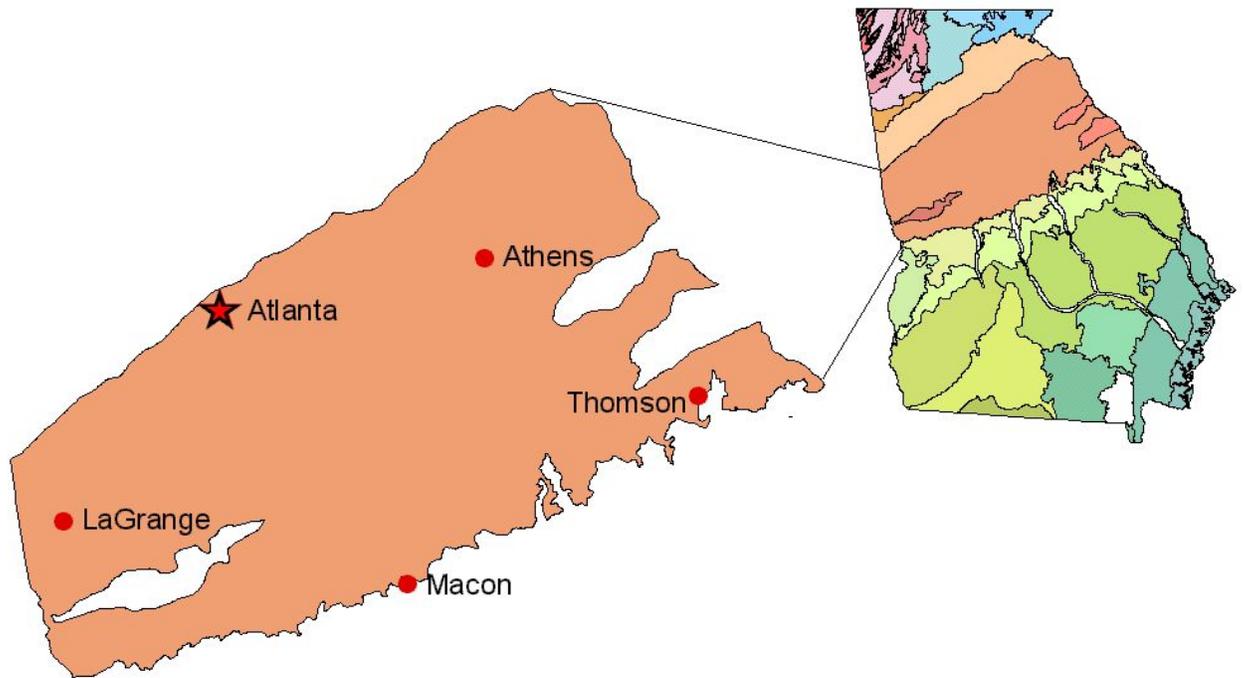




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Southern Outer Piedmont (45b) subecoregion**

45b - Southern Outer Piedmont



45b. The **Southern Outer Piedmont** has lower elevations, less relief, and less precipitation than 45a. Loblolly-shortleaf pine is the major forest type, with less oak-hickory and oak-pine than in 45a. Gneiss, schist and granite are the dominant rock types, covered with deep saprolite and mostly red, clayey subsoils. The majority of soils are Kanhapludults. The southern boundary of the sub-ecoregion occurs at the Fall Line, where unconsolidated coastal plain sediments are deposited over the Piedmont metamorphic and igneous rocks.



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Metric	Metric Category
Coleoptera Taxa	Richness
% Oligochaeta	Composition
% Plecoptera	
Shredder Taxa	Functional Feeding Group
Scraper Taxa	
Swimmer Taxa	Habit