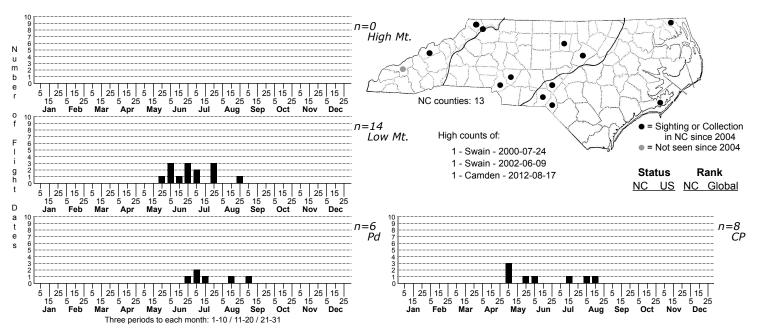
## Actrix nyssaecolella Tupelo Leaffolder Moth



FAMILY: Pyralidae SUBFAMILY: Phycitinae TRIBE: Phycitini TAXONOMIC COMMENTS:

FIELD GUIDE DESCRIPTIONS:

**ONLINE PHOTOS:** 

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, ADULTS: Neunzig (1996)

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, IMMATURE STAGES:

ID COMMENTS: "I have been unable to detect any difference in the external appearance of the adults of <i>A. dissimulatrix</i> and <i>A. nyssaecolella</i> Nevertheless, the genitalia of the two species leave no doubt that <i>dissimulatrix</i> is a distinct species" (Neunzig, 2003).

DISTRIBUTION: Please refer to the dot map.

FLIGHT COMMENT: Please refer to the flight charts.

HABITAT: Our records come mainly from upland stands of hardwoods, but also from sites in the Coastal Plain which include upland and bottomland sites in close proximity

FOOD: Larvae feed on <i>Nyssa</i> species (Robinson et al., 2010). Based on the location of our records for confirmed specimens, Blackgum (<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>) is likely used over most of the state but Swamp Tupelo (<i>N. biflora</i>) may also be used in the coastal plain.

OBSERVATION\_METHODS:

NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM RANKS: GNR S3S5

STATE PROTECTION: Has no legal protection, although permits are required to collect it on state parks and other public lands.

COMMENTS: