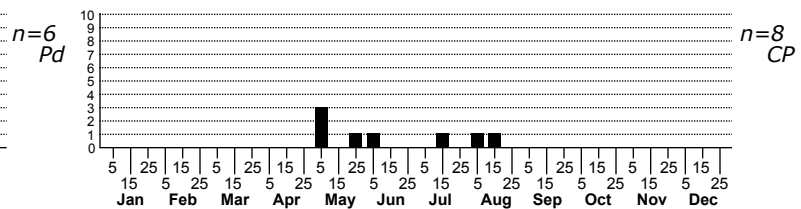
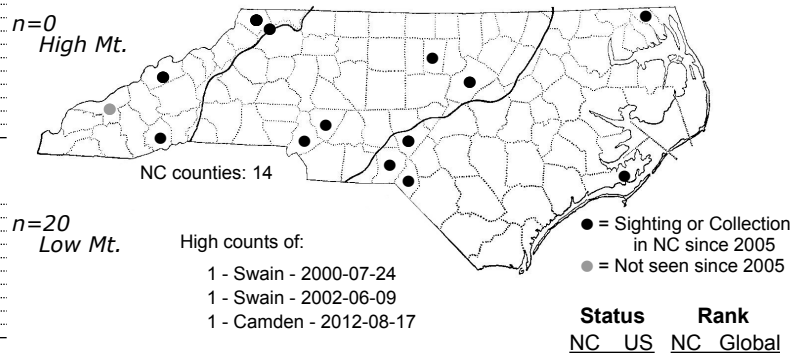
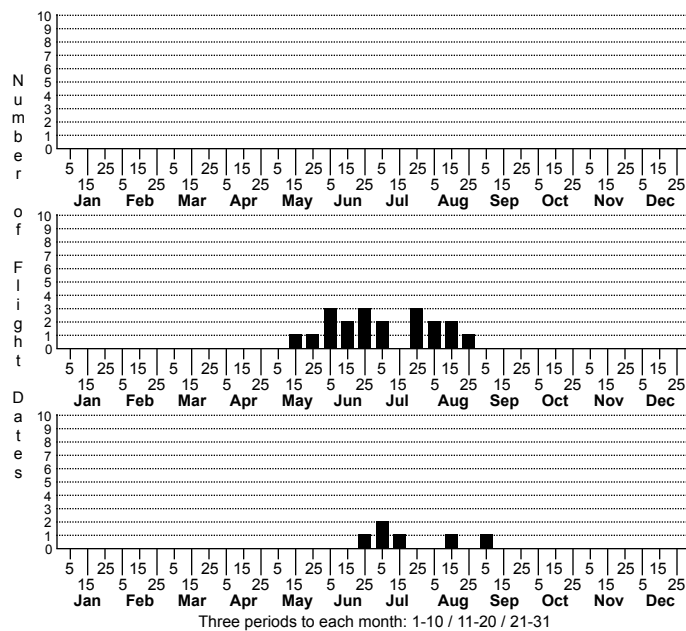


# *Actrix nyssaecolella* Tupelo Leaffolder Moth



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 *A. dissimulatrix* and *A. nyssaecolella*. Nevertheless, the genitalia of the two species leave no doubt that *A. dissimulatrix* 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 tupelo (*Nyssa*) species (Robinson et al., 2010). Based on the location of our records for confirmed specimens, Black Tupelo (*Nyssa sylvatica*) is likely used over most of the state but Swamp Tupelo (*N. biflora*) 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: