



**COVER** Marbled salamanders (*Ambystoma opacum*) are among the many amphibian species that breed at Carolina bays, natural wetlands of the southeastern Atlantic Coastal Plain. *Ambystoma opacum* is one of the amphibian species that has been monitored daily at a protected wetland, Rainbow Bay in South Carolina, for the past 12 years by investigators at the Savannah River Ecology Laboratory. See page 892. [Photographed by David E. Scott, Savannah River Ecology Laboratory]

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