

### 1.12.2 Attoyac Bayou

Attoyac Bayou begins five miles east of Mount Enterprise, in southeastern Rusk County and flows southeasterly 58 miles into the Angelina River in southeastern Nacogdoches County. The bayou flows through forested bottomland hardwoods, much of which is owned by lumber companies (Belisle and Josselet 1974). Dominant vegetation observed at the SH 7 road crossing included sweet gum (*Liquidambar styraciflua*), black willow (*Salix nigra*), sycamore (*Platanus occidentalis*), and American elm (*Ulmus americana*). The ecologically significant stream segment is from a point 2.4 miles downstream of the Curry Creek confluence in Nacogdoches/San Augustine County upstream to US 59 in Shelby/Rusk County (within TCEQ stream segment 0612).

- **Threatened or endangered species/unique communities-** significant due to the presence of the only known remaining population of triangle pigtoes (*Fusconaia lananensis*), an endemic freshwater mussel (Howells 1996, Howells et al. 1996).



Figure 47. Attoyac Bayou south of SH 7 in San Augustine County (8/13/01).