

1.12.3 Bowles creek

Bowles Creek begins about two miles east of Overton in Rusk County and flows southwesterly 21 miles into Striker Creek, a tributary to the Angelina River, in southeastern Cherokee County. In August 2001, Bowles Creek at the SH 294 road crossing was relatively narrow with a dense canopy composed primarily of small river birch (*Betula nigra*), box elder (*Acer negundo*), and elderberry (*Sambucus canadensis*). The ecologically significant stream segment is from the confluence with Striker Creek upstream to the headwaters east of Overton in Cherokee County.

- **Riparian conservation area-** fringed by the 93.8-acre Caddoan Mounds State Historical Site.



Figure 48. Bowles Creek north of SH 294 in Cherokee County (08/14/01).