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Information on the location of the exotic plant: EURASIAN MILFOIL

Species Description

Eurasian milfoil is a submerged aquatic plant with whorled feather-like leaves that appear to have been clipped on the end. Eurasian milfoil can grow 12-15 feet tall, and exhibits a reddish shoot near the surface. It forms dense mats of tangled plants in lakes and ponds. Leaves have 12 or more pairs of leaflets.

General Information

Eurasian milfoil, which originally came to this country from Europe and Asia, is a serious nuisance to many lake residents. Once introduced to a lake (usually by boats) it grows and spreads very quickly, ultimately ruining the ecology of the system, and value of shorefront property. There are three

Eurasian Milfoil

(Myriophyllum spicatum)

waterbodies with the plant in New Hampshire today: Mountain Pond in Brookfield, the Connecticut River

south of Hanover, and Mascoma Lake in Enfield. This species can also be found in nearby Vermont and Massachusetts, and is considered a national problem in lakes and other freshwater systems.

Please inform DES at (603)271-2248 if you see this plant.

For more information, visit www.des.nh.gov/wmb/exoticspecies.

Remove all plants from your boat and trailer before launching, and when you leave.

