

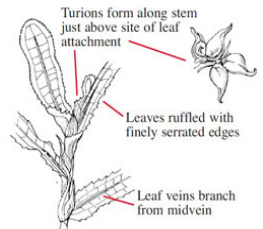
# INVASIVE SPECIES



## CURLY-LEAF PONDWEED

### CHARACTERISTICS:

- Lasagna-like leaves 0.5 in. wide x 3-5 in. long
- Turions (small pinecone-like buds) grow on brittle stalks above leaf nodes
- Grows through winter; first to appear in spring
- Tolerant of low light and lower water quality



**Spreads by turions that break from the stem when agitated; also by fragmentation**

### PREVENT THE SPREAD:

**Clean, Drain, Dry** – after exiting a waterway, clean *all* equipment, drain *all* water, and dry *anything* that came in contact with water;

**Don't Fragment** – don't plow through weedy areas; don't agitate plants in the process of removing them.

**Remove 'em from the watershed!** – if you pull weeds onto your dock, shoreline, motor, or oars, even when in the lake, *don't throw them back!*