INVASIVE SPECIES

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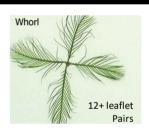




EURASIAN WATERMILFOIL

CHARACTERISTICS:

- Whorls (circles) of four delicate feather-like leaves around stem
- Usually 12 to 21 leaflet pairs per leaf
- Emerges mid-spring as the water warms
- Requires abundant sunlight and prefers nutrient-rich soil



Spreads primarily via fragmentation; any piece of plant stem that includes a node can grow a new plant.

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 tear 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!