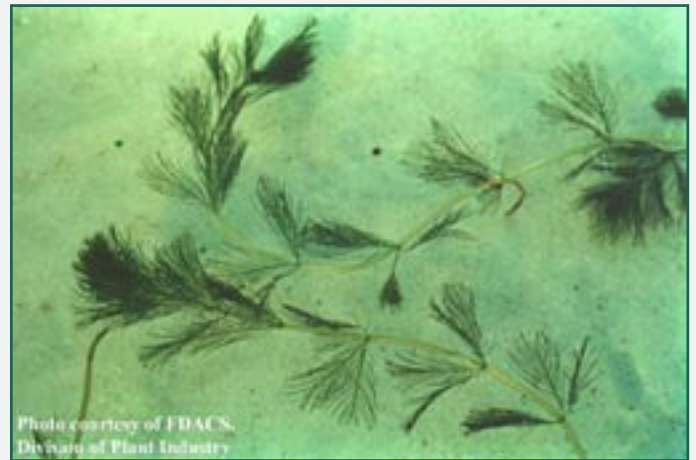


## Eurasian watermilfoil *Myriophyllum spicatum*

### QUICK FACTS:

- › Classification: Aquatic plant in the water milfoil family (Haloragidaceae)
- › Origin: Eurasia
- › First validated occurrence in the Great Lakes basin: Paddy's Lake near Oswego, New York, 1882 (Mills *et al.*, 1993)
- › Means of introduction: Likely introduced through aquarium release and/or transport in or attached to boats and ships
- › Key impacts: Compete with native plants, alter water conditions, foul boat propellers, clog waterways with dense vegetation



### LITERATURE CITED

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