

On August 25th, Andrew Senderhauf led one of Onterra's field survey crews on Roberts Lake to complete the late-summer EWM/HWM mapping survey. The crew noted good conditions during the survey with mostly sunny skies. The EWM was fairly easy to spot during the visual survey and was found to be growing to near the surface in 13' of water in some locations. The results of the mapping survey are displayed on the attached PDF map.

Overall, the footprint of the EWM population was similar to what was mapped during 2019. The largest concentration of EWM continues to be in the northeastern end of the lake where the crew mapped many singles, clumps, small plant colonies, as well as a few colonized areas. The colonized areas (mapped with polygons) included a highly scattered colony and two smaller, but dominant density colonies near the private boat landing, a strip of scattered plants along the pierheads on the northeast shore, as well as a dominant colony in the vicinity. Around the rest of the lake, the EWM population was low with a few isolated single plants, clumps of plants, and one small plant colony along the northern shoreline.

Please feel free to use this map or share the results with the folks at the RLA including for the newsletter if you wish. Later this winter, Onterra will be creating a report that will detail the three-year project results and discuss monitoring or management options for consideration moving forward.