

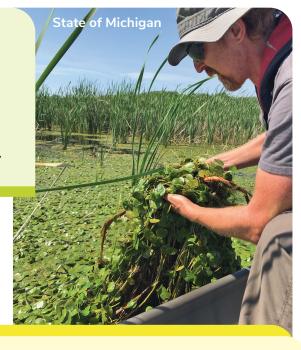
European Frog-bit affects lakes and those who care about them!

European frog-bit (Hydrocharis morsus-ranae; EFB) is a free-floating, rosette-shaped, freshwater plant that has rounded leaves and white flowers. EFB can form mats that cover the water's surface, reducing native species and impeding water recreation.

Have you or others seen EFB? Here's what you need to know!

How EFB impacts water resources

- Forms dense, entangled, floating mats
- Impedes water flow by clogging navigation and irrigation channels
- Reduces nutrient availability, quality fish and wildlife habitat, and species diversity





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How EFB impacts lakeshore homeowners

- Hinders water and fishing access
- Reduces aesthetic and property values
- Fewer fish species

What can be done

- Actively survey for EFB and report sightings using EDDMaps, iNaturalist, the Midwest Invasive Species Information Network, or EFB Delimitation Application
- Partner with local natural resources and invasive species management organizations to facilitate management efforts



Identifying European Frog-bit

EFB can look similar to other floating aquatic plants.

Here are some helpful identification characteristics

