

# Invasive Species Advisory

Otisco Lake contains the following harmful invasive species:



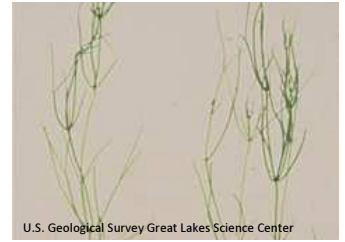
**Water Chestnut-**  
*Forms dense floating mats, seeds have four sharp spines.*



**Eurasian watermilfoil-**  
*12-21 pairs of leaflets, forms dense mats.*



**Curly-Leaf Pondweed-**  
*Submersed aquatic, usually first plant up, dies back mid-summer.*



**Starry Stonewort-**  
*Algae, not a true plant, forms dense mats on bottom.*



**Zebra Mussel-**  
*0.25—1 inch in length.*



**Asian Clam-**  
*Oval-triangular clam shape, less than 1.5 inches in length.*



**Scud (Echinogammarus ischnus)-**  
*Less than 0.5 inches in length*

**Help prevent the spread of these and other harmful invasive plants and animals between our lakes and streams.**

## When you leave a body of water:

- Remove any visible mud, plants, fish or animals before transporting equipment.
- Eliminate water from equipment before transporting, e.g. dry wells.
- Clean and dry anything that comes in contact with water (boats, trailers, equipment, clothing, dogs, etc.)
- Never release plants, fish or animals into a body of water unless they came out of that water.



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