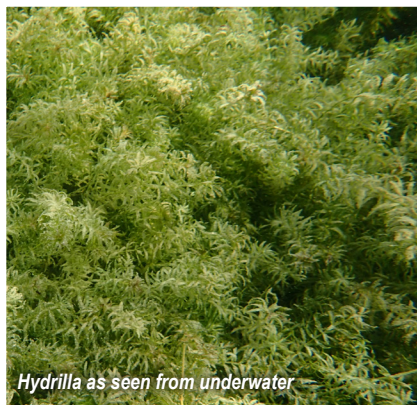


# Boaters Beware!

**Hydrilla** (*Hydrilla verticillata*) is invading our waters!

## Why Hydrilla?

- Can reach up to 30 feet
- Decreases fish habitat
- Forms thick, dense mats
- Spreads via fragments



Hydrilla as seen from underwater



Hydrilla as seen from above water

## Identifying features

- A** Leaves in whorls of 5
- B** Visibly toothed leaf margins



Lance-shaped leaves in whorls of 3-10



Leaf margins have distinct, toothed edges



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# HELP STOP THIS INVADER!

*If you suspect Hydrilla, REPORT IT!*

## How?

- ✓ Fill out the reporting card with plant information,  
**and**
- ✓ Give the card and sample to a watercraft steward,  
**or**
- ✓ Email reporting card information and photos to  
**FLXplantID@gmail.com.**

Check out:

[www.fingerlakesinvasives.org](http://www.fingerlakesinvasives.org) | [www.dec.ny.gov](http://www.dec.ny.gov)

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