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Eurasian Watermilfoil in Maple Lake

(WBIC# 86-0134) Wright County, MN

Late-Spring Survey – May 29-30, 2019



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Survey & Analysis Methods

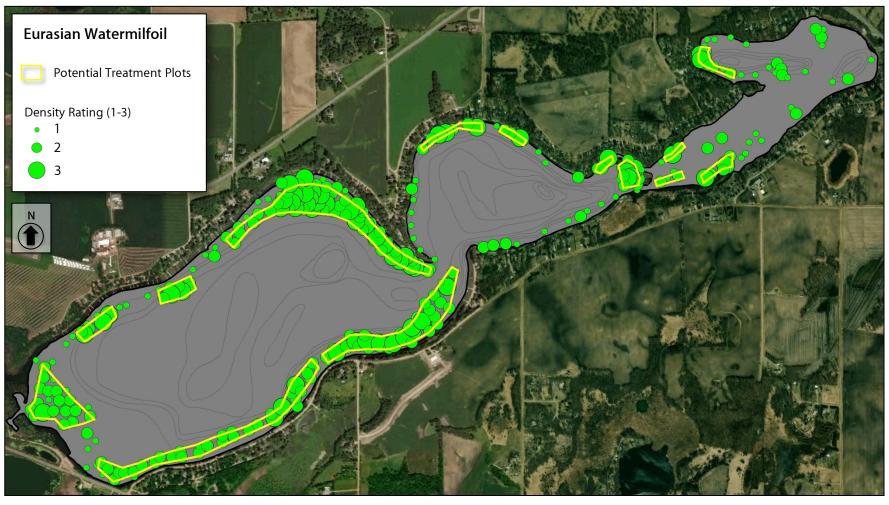
Late-Spring EWM Delineation Survey

Freshwater Scientific Services, LLC completed a late-spring Eurasian watermilfoil (EWM) delineation survey for Maple Lake (#86-0134) on May 29-30, 2019. During this survey, we navigated a meandering search path over the vegetated portion of the lake. While navigating this path, we used a combination of surface observations (using polarized sunglasses), rake tosses, and sonar readings to locate and delineate areas of EWM growth. Sonar and visual assessments were conducted continuously, with subsequent rake tosses to assess EWM abundance at locations where plants were not identifieable from the surface. At each location where EWM was found, we recorded the GPS coordinates, and documented water depth, EWM plant height, and EWM abundance (1 to 3 scale as described below).

Score	Visual	Rake
1	Light EWM / Solitary EWM plants	1-2 stems
2	Moderate EWM / Dense patches	3 to 9 stems
3	Dense EWM / Uniform matted EWM	10+ stems

We entered the recorded locations, water depths, EWM plant heights, and EWM densities into desktop GIS software and projected the results over aerial imagery of the lake. We then delineated beds of EWM growth in the surveyed areas, and calculated the area, mean water depth, and mean EWM density within each of the identified plots (using point data).

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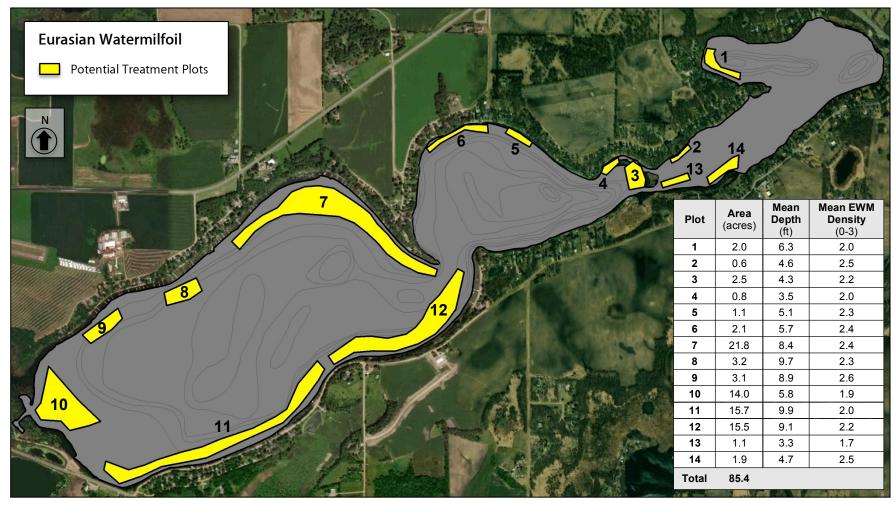


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