

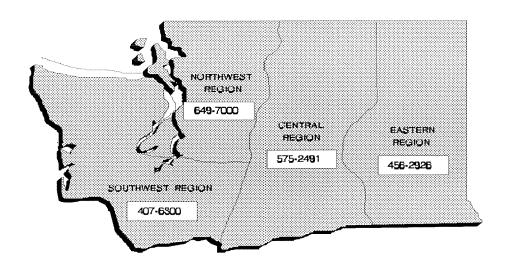
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### **Abstract**

The objectives of the Aquatic Plant Technical Assistance Program are to provide advice on aquatic plant identification, biology, and management to government agencies and the public, to document aquatic plant distribution and habitat through site visits, and to assist with evaluating projects supported by Freshwater Aquatic Weed Program grant money.

During the 1996 field season aquatic plant data were gathered during 92 site visits to 88 waterbodies located throughout the state. Several previously unknown populations of non-native aquatic plants were recorded during the field season. These included 11 previously unknown populations of *Myriophyllum spicatum*, one population of *Egeria densa*, and two populations of *Myriophyllum aquaticum*. Other accomplishments during 1996 included gathering additional plants for the herbarium collection, providing educational and technical outreach, reviewing 16 project applications for Freshwater Aquatic Weed Program grant money, and providing assistance and editorial comments for the "Aquatic Plant Field Identification Guide" project.

### Introduction

Legislative action in 1991 (RCW 43-21A.660) established the Freshwater Aquatic Weed Account to provide additional expertise on aquatic plant issues and a source of grant money for local aquatic plant management projects. The need for this program was recognized when the spread of aquatic plant problems in the state's public waters outgrew the ability of agency officials to adequately address them. To provide the technical expertise for aquatic plants, one full-time position was created within the Environmental Investigations and Laboratory Services Program of the Department of Ecology. This position was filled in February 1994. The objectives for this position are as follows:

- to provide technical assistance on aquatic plant identification and management to government agencies and the public;
- to conduct site visits to identify aquatic plants, evaluate plant community structure and identify the existence or potential for problems, particularly as they relate to invasive nonnative aquatic plants; and
- to assist with rating grant applications to the Freshwater Aquatic Weed Account.

The purpose of this report is to document the progress of the Aquatic Plant Technical Assistance Program with respect to these objectives during 1996. Reports on the program's results from 1994 and 1995 are also available (Parsons 1995a; Parsons 1996a).

To simplify reporting, all plants are referred to by their scientific names. Table 1 lists the common names for the plants most frequently mentioned in the text.

Table 1. Scientific and common plant names

| Scientific Name        | Common Names           |  |
|------------------------|------------------------|--|
| Cabomba caroliniana    | fanwort                |  |
| Egeria densa           | Brazilian elodea       |  |
| Hydrilla verticillata  | hydrilla               |  |
| Ludwigia hexapetala    | water primrose         |  |
| Lythrum salicaria      | purple loosestrife     |  |
| Myriophyllum aquaticum | parrot feather milfoil |  |
| Myriophyllum spicatum  | Eurasian milfoil       |  |
| Nymphaea odorata       | fragrant waterlily     |  |

### **Technical Assistance**

After the Freshwater Aquatic Weed Account was established, an external advisory committee identified technical assistance for aquatic plant taxonomy, ecology, and management as a high priority for the new Freshwater Aquatic Weed Management Program. Technical assistance was later defined as "Provid(ing) technical expertise within Ecology and to other agencies, local governments, lakes groups, and the general public regarding aquatic plant ecology and taxonomy, aquatic plant management, development of integrated aquatic plant management plans, and other aquatic plant management issues. Assistance will be provided through on-site visits, development of technical reports, participation in public workshops, and presentations to private and public groups and societies."

Providing technical assistance involves working with public and private sectors to develop a broad understanding of the roles aquatic plants play in the ecosystem and how human behaviors influence aquatic plant communities. Toward this aim I participated in several workshops, meetings, and conferences and wrote articles for various publications between January 1 and December 31, 1996 (Table 2). I have also assisted the public and local governments on an informal basis through phone conversations, identification of mailed plant specimens, and informal meetings which are not listed. In addition, much of the information the Department of Ecology has produced on aquatic plants in Washington is available on Ecology's web pages (http://www.wa.gov/ecology).

Table 2. Aquatic plant technical outreach activities - 1996.

| Function  | Date     | Location   | Role   |
|---|----------|--|--|
| Met with Lake Leland<br>Improvement Club              | 01/03/96 | near Quilcene,<br>Jefferson County                 | Presented information on the biology and control of <i>Egeria densa</i>                              |
| Met with Thurston County Extension personnel          | 01/96    |  | Edited aquatic plant section of Thurston County Native Plant Guide                                   |
| Washington Lakes Protection Association newsletter    | 01/96    |  | Article on Egeria densa biology  |
| Meeting with representatives of the aquarium industry | 01/10/96 | Noxious Weed<br>Control Board,<br>Kent, Washington | Presented information on non-native aquatic plant distribution                                       |
| Information brochure for aquarium industry            | 01/96    |  | Provided information and write-up on non-<br>native plants   |
| Public pesticide consultant training                  | 03/06/96 | Bellevue.<br>Washington                            | Attended course for recertification, presented by Washington Dpt of Agriculture                      |
| Reed Canarygrass Workgroup meeting                    | 03/13/96 | Thurston County                                    | Initial meeting and discussion of invasive nature of <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i> (reed canarygrass). |
| Washington Lakes Protection Association newsletter    | 03/96    |  | Article on Nuphar lutea biology  |
| Aquatic Plant Workshop                                | 03/23/96 | Mason Lake Club,<br>Mason Co                       | Presentation on aquatic plant identification and values  |

| Function  | Date                      | Location                         | Role   |
|---|---------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Nonindigenous Species<br>Symposium                            | 03/27/96                  | Portland, Oregon                 | Attended sessions  |
| Western Aquatic Plant<br>Management Society Annual<br>Meeting | 03/28-<br>03/29/96        | Portland. Oregon                 | Presented paper on non-native plants found in Washington, attended sessions, chaired a session |
| Botanical Electronic News                                     | 04/96                     |                                  | Wrote article on status of non-native plants found in Washington                               |
| South Sound Native Plant Society Meeting                      | 05/03/96                  | Olympia,<br>Washington           | Presented program on aquatic plants  |
| Pacific Biosnet list server                                   | 05/30/96                  |                                  | Wrote summary article on non-native aquatic organisms in the west                              |
| Met with visiting research fellow from Australia              | 06/10/96                  | Olympia,<br>Washington           | Discussed plant control issues, sampled Clear Lake, Pierce County                              |
| Mct with Jefferson County<br>Extension agent, local citizen   | 06/11/96<br>&<br>10/02/96 | Leland Lake,<br>Jefferson County | Observed <i>Egeria densa</i> spread, discussed options for control                             |
| Western Aquatic Plant Management Society Meeting Proceedings  | 06/96                     |                                  | Article on troublesome exotic aquatic plants in Washington                                     |
| Met with regional Ecology personnel                           | 06/19/96                  | Lk Steilacoom,<br>Pierce County  | Observed and discussed aquatic plants found in the lake  |
| Washington Lakes Protection Association newsletter            | 07/96                     |                                  | Wrote article on biology and control of<br>Myriophyllum spicatum                               |
| Met with Olympic National<br>Park botanists                   | 07/09-<br>10/96           | Clallam County                   | Discussed identification and distribution of aquatic plants, sampled Ozette and Crescent Lakes |
| Met with citizen, volunteer lake monitor                      | 07/16/96                  | Alkali Lake, Grant<br>County     | Discussed identification and distribution of aquatic plants in central Washington              |
| Met with citizen  | 08/02/96                  | Curlew Lake,<br>Ferry County     | Discussed identification of aquatic plants and population density issues                       |
| Island Lake Association<br>Meeting                            | 08/07/96                  | Shelton, Mason<br>County         | Presented results from aquatic plant survey regarding new population of Myriophyllum spicatum  |
| Western Washington<br>University Herbarium                    | 08/15/96                  | Bellingham,<br>Washington        | Met with University Botanist, looked for historic specimens of invasive aquatic plants.        |
| Mct with Chelan County<br>Noxious Weed Board personnel        | 09/16/96                  | Chelan County                    | Hand control of <i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i> in Wapato Lake                                    |
| Washington Lakes Protection<br>Association Annual Meeting     | 09/26-<br>28/96           | Spokane,<br>Washington           | Presented talk on the benefits and uses of aquatic plants                                      |
| Washington Lakes Protection<br>Association newsletter         | 10/96                     |                                  | Wrote article on Elodea canadensis   |

### Site Visits

### Introduction

This section documents aquatic plant surveys conducted during the 1996 field season. The general purpose of site visits was to identify aquatic plants (targeting exotic invasive species), evaluate plant community structure, estimate the extent of, or potential for, aquatic plant problems, and suggest possible management options. Another important aspect of site visits was to expand the aquatic plant database and herbarium collection.

### Site Visit Objectives

The objectives for the 1996 site visits were as follows:

- to revisit selected lakes with exotic invasive plants in order to assess plant population changes since they were surveyed in 1994 and/or 1995;
- to revisit other selected lakes considered at high risk for a non-native plant invasion:
- to conduct field surveys in selected lakes that had not been surveyed by this program during previous field seasons;
- to confirm rare plant sightings from the 1994 field season; and
- to continue plant monitoring projects on selected lakes.

The 1996 Aquatic Plant Technical Assistance Implementation Plan (Parsons, 1996b) contains a more complete discussion of these objectives.

During site visits, meetings with concerned citizens or local government representatives were arranged if appropriate. If new populations of exotic species were found, the local weed board representative or county extension agent was contacted.

### **General Field Methods**

For a detailed discussion of field methods and data quality control, refer to the Aquatic Plant Technical Assistance Final Quality Assurance Project Plan in Parsons (1995b). The main goal of field site visits is to create the most comprehensive species list possible for each waterbody. This facilitates the discovery of potentially problematic aquatic plants and provides baseline aquatic plant information. For most lakes the method used is to circumnavigate the littoral zone in a small boat. When a different plant or type of habitat is observed, samples are collected for identification using a weighted rake, by hand-pulling or by visual observation. In addition, notes on species

distribution, abundance, and maximum growth depth are made. This method was recommended by other aquatic plant researchers (Sytsma, 1994; Warrington, 1994) and was used successfully during the past two years. However, because the surveys are conducted from the surface, small populations of any plant species may be overlooked.

Some water quality and sediment hardness (penetrability) data were collected on selected lakes (Table 3). This was ancillary to the plant data, so frequency of sample collection was limited by time and logistical constraints. These parameters were chosen because they have been shown to influence plant community type (Srivastava et al., 1995; Barko et al., 1991; Smart, 1990; Barko and Smart, 1986; Barko, 1985; McKenna, 1984; Kadono, 1982; Hellquist, 1980) and because of their ease in collection. The alkalinity samples were collected in open water to minimize the diel influence of macrophytes. Alkalinity was measured using a Hach field test kit model AL-DT with a digital titrator to determine phenolphthalein and total alkalinity as CaCO<sub>3</sub>. Secchi depth was also measured in deep open water. Sediment penetrability data were collected in the littoral zone using an impact penetrometer designed for lake sediments (Coley et al. 1994). The penetrometer was tested on different substrate types for replicability of results during the 1995 field season.

Table 3. Summary of water quality and sediment analyses.

| Parameter              | Method   | Method Precision |
|------------------------|--|------------------|
| Alkalinity             | Hach field test kit using Phenolphthalein ± 10 mg/L and a digital titrator |                  |
| Secchi depth           | visual observation   | ± 0.1 m          |
| Sediment penetrability | impact penetrometer  | ± 1 cm           |

Field visits occurred between late spring and early fall to correspond with the time of maximal growth and flowering. Sampling locations were recorded with a written description, visual placement on a map, and with a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit.

Collections were made of any unusual plant species and of known or suspected exotic species. These were pressed, mounted, and retained in the herbarium collection (see Herbarium section in this report). All data were recorded on field forms and entered into a relational database (see Parsons 1995a for a database design description).

### **Aquatic Plant Survey Results**

During the 1996 field season 92 site visits were made to 88 waterbodies. Highlights of results from these surveys are provided in the following section. In addition, several special projects will be discussed in subsequent sections. These include:

- the *Hydrilla verticillata* eradication project in Pipe and Lucerne Lakes;
- the status of selected weed eradication projects;
- the expansion of *Egeria densa* in Leland Lake;

- control efforts for Myriophyllum spicatum in Wapato Lake; and
- results from plant monitoring projects.

### General Results

Table 4 lists the lakes where aquatic plant data were gathered during the 1996 field season, the extent of the survey conducted, and any plants of concern that were found. A similar table with data on the waterbodies sampled during the three years of this program is contained in Appendix A. Additional information on any of the listed waterbodies can be provided by the author upon request.

Table 4. Site visit and results summary table

| County       | Waterbody Name                    | WRIA | Date     | Survey Extent      | Plants of Concern   |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|------|----------|--------------------|---|
| Chelan       | Wapato Lake                       | 47   | 06/24/96 |                    | Myriophyllum spicatum   |
|              |                                   |      | 07/15/96 | milfoil sites      |   |
|              |                                   |      | 09/16/96 | milfoil sites      |   |
| Clallam      | Beaver Lake                       | 20   | 07/09/96 | whole littoral     | none  |
|              | Crescent Lake                     | 19   | 07/10/96 | 4 sites            | none  |
|              | Ozette Lake                       | 20   | 07/09/96 | 3 sites            | none  |
|              | Pleasant Lake                     | 20   | 07/11/96 | whole littoral     | none  |
|              | Sutherland Lake                   | 18   | 07/11/96 | whole littoral     | none  |
| Cowlitz      | Solo Slough                       | 25   | 08/08/96 | 1 site from shore  | Egeria densa<br>Ludwigia hexapetala<br>Myriophyllum aquaticum |
| Douglas      | Jameson Lake                      | 44   | 06/26/96 | 1 site from shore  | none  |
| Ferry        | Curlew Lake                       | 60   | 08/02/96 | 4 sites (launches) | none  |
| Franklin     | Snake River at Ice Harbor Dam     | 33   | 08/19/96 | spot check, boat   | Myriophyllum spicatum   |
|              | Snake River at Levey Park         | 33   | 08/19/96 | spot check, boat   | none  |
|              | Snake River, Lower Monumental Dam | 33   | 08/20/96 | spot check, boat   | Myriophyllum spicatum   |
|              | Snake River at Windust Park       | 33   | 08/20/96 | spot check, boat   | none  |
| Grant        | Alkali Lake                       | 42   | 07/16/96 | whole littoral     | none  |
|              | Banks Lake                        | 42   | 06/25/96 | spot check, shore  | none  |
|              | Blue Lake                         | 42   | 07/16/96 | whole littoral     | none  |
|              | Burke Lake                        | 41   | 09/19/96 | whole littoral     | Lythrum salicaria<br>Myriophyllum spicatum                    |
|              | Deep Lake                         | 42   | 06/25/96 | whole littoral     | none  |
|              | Dry Falls Lake                    | 42   | 06/25/96 | spot check, shore  | none  |
|              | Evergreen Lake                    | 41   | 09/18/96 | whole littoral     | Lythrum salicaria<br>Myriophyllum spicatum                    |
|              | Lenore Lake                       | 42   | 07/17/96 | whole littoral     | none  |
|              | Park Lake                         | 42   | 06/26/96 | whole littoral     | none  |
|              | Quincy Lake                       | 41   | 09/17/96 | whole littoral     | Lythrum salicaria   |
| Grays Harbor | Aberdeen Lake                     | 22   | 07/22/96 | whole littoral     | none  |
|              | Quinault Lake                     | 21   | 10/07/96 | 75% of littoral    | none  |
|              | Sylvia Lake                       | 22   | 07/22/96 | whole littoral     | none  |
| Island       | Cranberry Lake                    | 6    | 09/05/96 | spot check, shore  | none  |
|              | Crockett Lake                     | 6    |          | spot check, shore  | none  |
|              | Deer Lake                         | 6    |          | whole littoral     | none  |
|              | Goss Lake                         | 6    | 09/05/96 | whole littoral     | none  |
|              | Lone Lake                         | 6    | 09/04/96 | whole littoral     | Lythrum salicaria   |

| Jefferson    | Anderson Lake                   | 17 | 07/08/96          | whole littoral                        | none                   |
|--------------|---------------------------------|----|-------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------|
|              | Crocker Lake                    | 17 |                   | whole littoral                        | none                   |
|              | Leland Lake                     | 17 |                   | whole littoral                        | Egeria densa           |
|              |                                 |    |                   | whole littoral                        |                        |
|              |                                 |    |                   | whole littoral                        |                        |
|              | Tarboo Lake                     | 17 |                   | whole littoral                        | none                   |
| King         | Pipe Lake                       | 9  |                   | spot check, boat                      | Hydrilla verticillata  |
| Kitsap       | Horseshoe Lake                  | 15 |                   | whole littoral                        | none                   |
|              | Mission Lake                    | 15 |                   | whole littoral                        | none                   |
| Kitsap/Mason |                                 | 15 |                   | whole littoral                        | none                   |
| Lewis        | Chehalis River                  | 23 |                   | 1 site from shore                     | Myriophyllum aquaticum |
| Mason        | Benson Lake                     | 14 |                   | whole littoral                        | none                   |
|              | Island Lake                     | 14 |                   | whole littoral                        | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
|              | Mason Lake                      | 14 |                   | whole littoral                        | none                   |
|              | Spencer Lake                    | 14 |                   | south end, boat                       | none                   |
| Okanogan     | Bonaparte Lake                  | 49 |                   | whole littoral                        | none                   |
|              | Crawfish Lake                   | 52 |                   | whole littoral                        | none                   |
|              | Duck (Bide-a-Wee) Lake          | 49 |                   | spot check, shore                     | none                   |
|              | Leader Lake                     | 49 |                   | whole littoral                        | none                   |
|              | Omak Lake                       | 49 |                   | north end, boat                       | none                   |
|              | Sidley Lake                     | 49 |                   | spot check, shore                     | none                   |
|              | Spectacle Lake                  | 49 |                   | whole littoral                        | none                   |
|              | Whitestone Lake                 | 49 |                   | whole littoral                        | Lythrum salicaria      |
|              |                                 |    |                   |                                       | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
| Pacific      | Black Lake                      | 24 | 08/08/96          | spot check, shore                     | Egeria densa           |
| Pend Oreille | Browns Lake                     | 62 | 07/31/96          | spot check, shore                     | none                   |
|              | Davis Lake                      | 62 | 07/30/96          | north end, boat                       | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
|              | Diamond Lake                    | 55 | 07/31/96          | east end, boat                        | none                   |
|              | Frater Lake                     | 59 | 08/01/96          | spot check, shore                     | none                   |
|              | Half Moon Lake                  | 62 | 07/31/96          | north end                             | none                   |
|              | Mill Lake                       | 62 | 08/01/96          | 2 sites, shore                        | none                   |
|              | Nile Lake                       | 62 | 08/01/96          | spot check, shore                     | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
|              | Pend Oreille River              | 62 | 08/01/96          | spot check, shore                     | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
|              | Skookum Lake, North             | 62 | 07/31/96          | spot check, shore                     | none                   |
|              | Skookum Lake, South             | 62 | 07/31/96          | whole littoral                        | none                   |
|              | Sullivan Lake                   | 62 | 08/01/96          | north, south, boat                    | none                   |
|              | Unnamed Wetland near Usk        | 62 | 08/01/96          | shore                                 | none                   |
| Pierce       | Clear Lake                      | 11 | 06/12/96          | whole littoral                        | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
|              | Harts Lake                      | 11 | 06/17/96          | spot check, shore                     | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
|              |                                 |    | 07/03/96          | whole littoral                        | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
|              | Ohop Lake                       | 11 | 07/25/96          | whole littoral                        | Egeria densa           |
|              | Rapjohn Lake                    | 11 | 07/25/96          | whole littoral                        | none                   |
|              | Silver Lake                     | 11 | 06/17/96          | spot check, shore                     | none                   |
|              | Spanaway Lake                   | 12 | 09/11/96          | whole littoral                        | Lythrum salicaria      |
|              | Steilacoom Lake                 | 12 | 06/19/96          | spot check, boat                      | none                   |
|              | Tanwax Lake                     | 11 | 09/12/96          | whole littoral                        | none                   |
| Skagit       | Campbell Lake                   | 3  | 08/13/96          | whole littoral                        | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
| -            | Erie Lake                       | 3  | 08/13/96          | spot check, shore                     | none                   |
|              | Everett Lake                    | 4  |                   | spot check, shore                     | none                   |
|              | Heart Lake (35N-01E-36)         | 3  |                   | whole littoral                        | none                   |
| Snohomish    | Shoecraft Lake                  | 7  | 08/15/96          | <u> </u>                              | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
| Stevens      | Loon Lake                       | 59 | 09/25/96          |                                       | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
| Wahkiakum    | <b> </b>                        |    | Lythrum salicaria |                                       |                        |
| Walla Walla  | Snake River at Charbonneau Park | 33 | 08/19/96          | <del> </del>                          | none                   |
|              |                                 |    |                   | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |                        |

|         | Snake River at Ice Harbor Dam    | 33 | 08/19/96 | spot check, boat  | Myriophyllum spicatum |
|---------|----------------------------------|----|----------|-------------------|-----------------------|
|         | Snake River Lower Monumental Dam | 33 | 08/20/96 | spot check, boat  | Lythrum salicaria     |
|         |                                  |    |          |                   | Myriophyllum spicatum |
| Whatcom | Cain Lake                        | 3  | 08/14/96 | whole littoral    | none                  |
|         | Terrell Lake                     | 1  | 08/14/96 | whole littoral    | Lythrum salicaria     |
|         | Wiser Lake                       | 1  | 08/14/96 | spot check, shore | none                  |

The results of these surveys include discovery of seven previously unknown populations of *Myriophyllum spicatum* by aquatic plant technical assistance program personnel (Lake Sacajawea and Herbert G. West Lake on the Snake River; Lake Campbell, Skagit County; Harts Lake, Pierce County; Nile Lake, Pend Oreille County; Island Lake, Mason County; and Burke Lake, Grant County). In addition, four populations of *Myriophyllum spicatum* (Kress Lake, Cowlitz County; Loon Lake, Stevens County; Loomis Lake, Pacific County; and Hidden View Lake, Pierce County) one population of *Egeria densa* (Plummer Lake, Lewis County) and two populations of *Myriophyllum aquaticum* (private pond, King County; and a slough, Pierce County) were brought to my attention by the Weed Board and other state agency or local government personnel. Identification of these plants was confirmed through site visits or delivered plant material.

Figures 1, 2, and 3 illustrate where known populations of the noxious invasive aquatic plants *Myriophyllum spicatum*, *Egeria densa*, and *Myriophyllum aquaticum* occur in Washington. These include sites that have been visited by Aquatic Plant Management Program personnel and those reported by reliable sources. Also included are waterbodies where weed eradication efforts have been undertaken within the last five years. If no recurrence of the targeted weed occurs in five years, then the lake or pond will be removed from this list.

Figure 1. Known locations of Myriophyllum spicatum in Washington, 1996

| Figure 1. Known locations of <i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i> in Washington, 1996 |     |                              |                      |     |                             |
|---|-----|------------------------------|----------------------|-----|-----------------------------|
| County  | No. | Waterbody Name               | County               | No. | Waterbody Name              |
| Chelan  | 1   | Chelan Lake                  | Klickitat            | 44  | Columbia River, Bingen      |
|   | 2   | Cortez (Three) Lake          |                      | 45  | Columbia River, Maryhill    |
|   | 3   | Domke Lake                   |                      | 46  | Horsethief Lake             |
|   | 4   | Wapato Lake                  | Lewis                | 47  | Carlisle Lake               |
| Clallam   | 5   | unnamed pond                 | _                    | 48  | Riffe Lake                  |
| Clark   | 6   | Caterpillar Slough           |                      | 49  | Swofford Pond               |
|   | 7   | Columbia River at Ridgefield | Mason                | 50  | Island Lake                 |
| Cowlitz   | 8   | Kress Lake                   | Okanogan             | 51  | Okanogan River              |
|   | 9   | Willow Grove Slough          |                      | 52  | Osoyoos Lake                |
| Franklin  | 10  | Scooteney Reservoir          |                      | 53  | Whitestone Lake             |
|   | 11  | Snake River, Ice Harbor Dam  | Pacific              | 54  | Loomis Lake                 |
|   | 12  | Snake River, Lower           | Pend Oreille         | 55  | Davis Lake                  |
|   |     | Monumental Dam               |                      |     |                             |
| Grant   | 13  | Babcock Ridge Lake           |                      | 56  | Little Spokane River        |
|   | 14  | Banks Lake                   |                      | 57  | Nile Lake                   |
|   | 15  | Billy Clapp Lake             |                      | 58  | Pend Oreille River          |
|   | 16  | Burke Lake                   |                      | 59  | Sacheen Lake                |
|   | 17  | Evergreen Lake               |                      | 60  | Trask Pond                  |
|   | 18  | Moses Lake                   | Pierce               | 61  | Clear Lake                  |
|   | 19  | Potholes Reservoir           |                      | 62  | Harts Lake                  |
|   | 20  | Stan Coffin Lake             |                      | 63  | Hidden Lake                 |
|   | 21  | Winchester Wasteway          | Skagit               | 64  | Big Lake                    |
|   | 22  | Winchester Wasteway Ext.     | 1                    | 65  | Campbell Lake               |
| Island  | 23  | Goss Lake                    |                      | 66  | Clear Lake (34N-05E-07)     |
| King  | 24  | Angle Lake                   |                      | 67  | McMurray                    |
|   | 25  | Bass Lake                    |                      | 68  | Sixteen Lake                |
|   | 26  | Desire Lake                  | Snohomish            | 69  | Goodwin Lake                |
|   | 27  | Green Lake                   |                      | 70  | Shoecraft Lake              |
|   | 28  | Lucerne Lake                 |                      | 71  | Silver Lake (28N-05E-30)    |
|   | 29  | Meridian Lake                |                      | 72  | Stevens Lake                |
|   | 30  | Number Twelve Lake           | Spokane              | 73  | Eloika Lake                 |
|   | 31  | Otter (Spring) Lake          |                      | 74  | Liberty Lake                |
|   | 32  | Phantom Lake                 | Stevens              | 75  | Gillette Lake               |
|   | 33  | Pipe Lake                    |                      | 76  | Heritage Lake               |
|   | 34  | Sammamish Lake               |                      | 77  | Loon Lake                   |
|   | 35  | Sawyer Lake                  |                      | 78  | Sherry Lake                 |
|   | 36  | Shadow Lake                  | 1                    | 79  | Thomas Lake                 |
|   | 37  | Shady Lake                   | Thurston             | 80  | Long Lake                   |
|   | 38  | Ship Canal                   |                      | 81  | Scott Lake                  |
|   | 39  | Steel Lake                   | Wahkiakum            | 82  | Columbia River, Cathlamet   |
|   | 40  | Union Lake                   | Walla Walla          | 83  | Snake River, Ice Harbor Dam |
|   | 41  | Washington Lake              | 1                    | 84  | Snake River, Lower Mon. Dam |
|   | 42  | Wilderness Lake              | Whatcom              | 85  | Whatcom Lake                |
| Kitsap  | 43  | Long Lake                    | Yakima               | 86  | Byron Lake                  |
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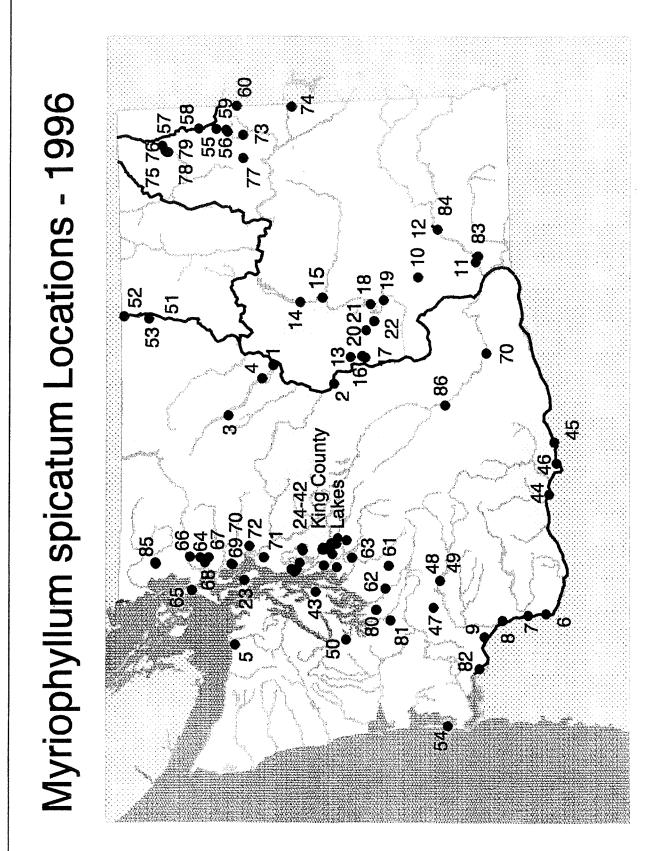


Figure 1. Known locations of Myriophyllum spicatum in Washington, 1996

Figure 2. Known locations of Egeria Densa in Washington, 1996.

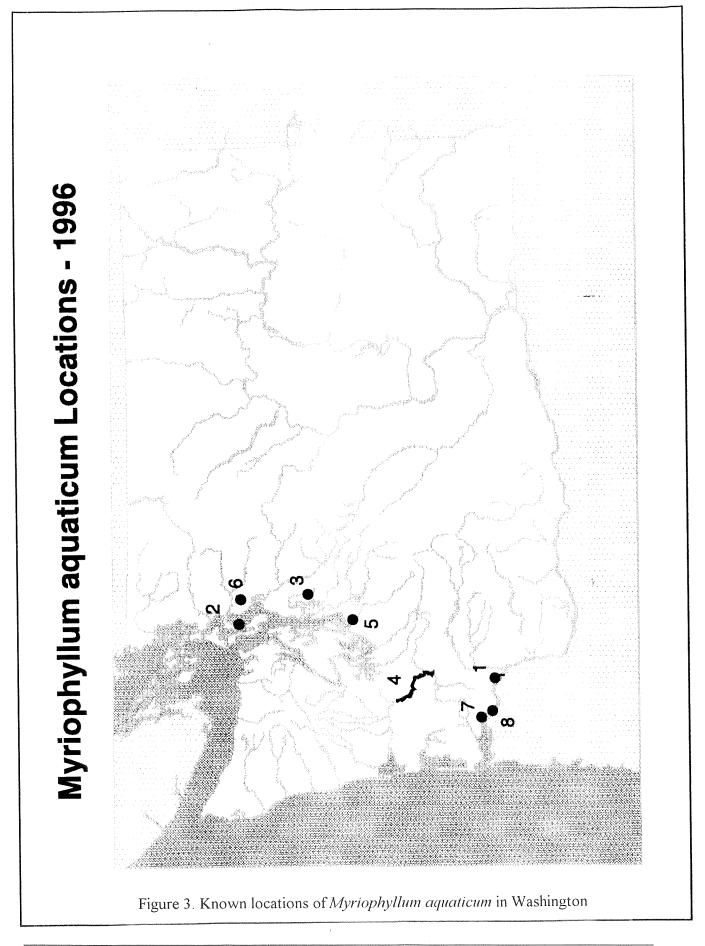
| County       | No. | Waterbody Name       |
|--------------|-----|----------------------|
| Clark        | 1   | Battleground Lake    |
|              | 2   | Lacamas Lake         |
| Cowlitz      | 3   | Solo Slough          |
|              | 4   | Willow Grove Slough  |
| Grays Harbor | 5   | Duck Lake            |
| Jefferson    | 6   | Leland Lake          |
| King         | 7   | Fenwick Lake         |
| Kitsap       | 8   | Long Lake            |
| Lewis        | 9   | Plummer Lake         |
| Mason        | 10  | Limerick Lake        |
| Pacific      | 11  | Black Lake           |
| Pierce       | 12  | Ohop Lake            |
| Skagit       | 13  | Big Lake             |
| Snohomish    | 14  | Swartz Lake          |
| Wahkiakum    | 15  | Puget Island Sloughs |

# Egeria densa Locations - 1996

Figure 2. Known locations of Egeria densa in Washington, 1996

Figure 3. Known locations of *Myriophyllum aquaticum* in Washington.

| County    | No. | Waterbody Name              |  |  |
|-----------|-----|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Cowlitz   | 1   | Solo Slough                 |  |  |
| Island    | 2   | Unnamed Pond (31N-02E-35)   |  |  |
| King      | 3   | Private Pond (24N-05E-11)   |  |  |
| Lewis     | 4   | Chehalis River              |  |  |
| Pierce    | 5   | Slough, Port of Tacoma      |  |  |
| Snohomish | 6   | Nina Lake                   |  |  |
| Wahkiakum | 7   | Columbia River at Skamokowa |  |  |
|           | 8   | Puget Island Sloughs        |  |  |



### Hydrilla Verticillata - Summary of Activities

The presence of *Hydrilla verticillata* was confirmed in Pipe Lake (King County) on June 1, 1995. *Hydrilla* is an aggressive non-native aquatic plant which will out-compete the native vegetation if given the opportunity. Where it has become established (in the southern United States as far north as Connecticut and west to California) its rapid growth has radically changed aquatic environments. Millions of dollars are spent each year attempting to control its growth (Langeland, 1990; Anderson, 1987). Because this is the first known population of *Hydrilla* in the northwest, aggressive action has been taken to attempt its eradication.

The *Hydrilla* population is located in the 73 acre Pipe/Lucerne Lake system in southern King County (approximately 20 miles southeast of Seattle). Identification was confirmed in the early summer of 1995 by the presence of distinguishing tubers and through enzyme analysis conducted at the University of California, Davis. The enzyme analysis also indicated that this *Hydrilla* population is the monoecious variety (Ryan, 1995). At that time, the plants were well distributed throughout the lake, but were still in a pioneering stage. After the identification was confirmed, the Department of Ecology began working closely with personnel from King County Surface Water Management Division to decide on a plan of action. The sequence of events which ensued was led by King County personnel, and largely funded by the Department of Ecology's Aquatic Weed Management Fund. A summary of these events follows (for additional details on the events during 1995 see Parsons (1996a) or contact King County Surface Water Management personnel):

- June/July 1995. Soon after the discovery was made a public meeting was held for community members, the media were notified, and several television stations and newspapers reported on the problem.
- July 1995. A *Hydrilla* Task Force was formed from scientists experienced in dealing with *Hydrilla* in other parts of the country. The Task Force recommended treating the lake with aquatic herbicides and stocking sterile grass carp to eradicate the plant. Quarantining the lakes, screening the outlet, and posting signs about *Hydrilla* were also encouraged. (Note: the lakes are owned and managed by private community associations, so quarantining was not practical. Also, the outlet is seasonal and immaculately groomed by home owners, so any outgoing propagules would have little chance of survival. Therefore, screening was not undertaken.)
- July 1995. An experienced dive team mapped the *Hydrilla* population, finding up to 60% cover throughout the littoral zone. They also surveyed four lakes near Pipe/Lucerne Lakes to see if the plant had spread. No other populations of *Hydrilla* were found.
- July/August 1995. An emergency rule was developed to list *Hydrilla* as a Class A weed on the State Noxious Weed List. This action provided the State with more authority to control the plant.

- August/September 1995. The lakes were treated with the systemic aquatic herbicide Sonar®. The objective was to weaken the plants before they began setting tubers (which happens when day length shortens to less than 13 hours).
- August 1995. King County Surface Water Management personnel developed and posted informational signs at the boat launches.
- October 1995. Another public meeting was held. At that time, the *Hydrilla* looked weakened.
- May/June 1996. Divers surveyed the lakes to check for sprouting *Hydrilla* plants and to map their distribution. A much reduced population of 5 to 10 plants per square meter was observed (Sytsma, 1996; McNabb, 1996)
- June 1996. A public meeting was held to discuss the population status, and control options. Due to the wide distribution of the surviving plants, a second year of herbicide application was the chosen control method.
- July/August/September 1996. The lake was treated with the systemic aquatic herbicide Sonar®
- September 1996. Divers surveyed the lakes and found only a few unhealthy *Hydrilla* plants.
- November 1996. A public meeting was scheduled, but canceled due to a power outage. An informational letter was sent to residents instead.

Hydrilla is an exceptionally tenacious plant, with many propagation strategies including tubers, turions, plant fragments, and seeds. The two years of herbicide treatment should have prevented development of new propagules or seeds. However, tubers which remain unsprouted in the sediment are not killed. Monoecious Hydrilla tubers will remain viable in the lab up to 4 years (Van and Steward, 1990). It is hoped that most of the tuber bank in Pipe/Lucerne Lakes sprouted during the spring of 1996, and that the second year of herbicide treatment killed the resulting plants. If this is the case, the population should be reduced to a level that can be controlled using non-chemical methods such as hand-pulling or bottom barrier installation. If the Hydrilla population is again too large for these methods, another chemical application or grass carp may be considered as control alternatives for 1997 (Walton, 1996).

### Aquatic Weed Eradication Efforts

There are several Washington lakes that have undergone treatment efforts aimed at eradicating noxious aquatic weeds. Below is a discussion of those lakes where the targeted weed has not been observed for at least two years post treatment. Some of these lakes are still included on the aquatic weed distribution maps (Figures 1, 2, and 3) because it is generally felt by aquatic plant experts that the plant should not be observed for five years before the lake is declared weed free.

Goss Lake, Island County. Goss Lake is a deep 47 acre lake with high water clarity. It had a limited, though expanding population of *Myriophyllum spicatum*. In the summer of 1994 a whole lake treatment with an approved systemic herbicide was completed. Post treatment control included using bottom barrier on shoreline areas where the terrestrial form of *M. spicatum* was growing in response to draught induced low water levels. Surveys of the lake's littoral zone during 1995 and 1996 showed no evidence of *M. spicatum* regrowth. Monitoring should continue to ensure the early detection of any surviving milfoil.

<u>Silver Lake, Cowlitz County.</u> Silver Lake is a large (approximately 2,300 acre) shallow eutrophic lake. It had a widely distributed and dense population of *Egeria densa*, as well as a more limited distribution of *Myriophyllum spicatum.* In 1992, 83,000 grass carp were planted in the lake (Scherer *et al.*, 1995). By the summer of 1994 almost no submersed vegetation could be found in the lake. In the summer of 1996 this condition continued, with a marked decrease in water clarity as well. The only vegetation surviving in the lake is the large floating leaved plant *Nuphar lutea* (yellow waterlily) and the emergent *Menyanthes trifoliata* (bog buckbean). Even these robust species have been impacted and currently form less vigorous stands than in the past. Because grass carp are still present in the lake, it is assumed that the targeted weeds will not be able to reestablish.

Killarney Lake, King County. Lake Killarney is a 31 acre shallow productive lake which had a well established *Myriophyllum spicatum* population. However, for many years the lake was chemically treated to control both aquatic plant and algal growth. During the summers of 1995 and 1996 no *M. spicatum* was observed in the lake, so most likely it succumbed to the successive herbicide treatments. The lake should continue to be monitored for any recurring patches of this plant, or for a reintroduction from nearby lakes.

Steel Lake, King County. Steel Lake is 40 acres and of moderate depth. Until 1994 it had a well established population of *Myriophyllum spicatum*. During the spring of that year the *M. spicatum* population apparently crashed. The reason for the population crash is unclear and an illegal herbicide application was postulated. However, an unusually large number of the caddisfly larvae *Triaenodes injecta* were also noted. These insects have been attributed to *M. spicatum* declines in British Columbia (Winchester, 1994) and may have contributed to the apparent decline of this plant in Steel Lake. The lake home owners association decided to continue with their plans to treat the lake with a systemic herbicide that summer. In the summer of 1996 divers surveyed the lake, and no *M. spicatum* was observed (Renstrom, 1997).

<u>Carlisle Lake, Lewis County</u>. Carlisle Lake is a small (29 acres) shallow abandoned mill pond. It had a dense population of *Myriophyllum spicatum* which was treated with a systemic herbicide in early summer, 1994. Divers surveyed the lake during 1995, and by June of 1996 no *M. spicatum* was observed, yet several native aquatic plants were recolonizing the area (Wamsley, 1997).

Note on Long Lake, Thurston County. Long Lake had a dense population of Myriophyllum spicatum, and was treated with a systemic herbicide during 1991. Each subsequent year it was surveyed by a team of divers to look for surviving plants. In the two years after herbicide

treatment, hand pulling and bottom barriers were used to control the surviving *M. spicatum*. In 1994 no *M. spicatum* was found in the lake. However, in 1995 a patch of milfoil with characteristics resembling both *M. spicatum* and *M. sihiricum* was found (Thurston County, 1995). Since that time its identity as *M. spicatum* was confirmed. Though these plants may represent a reintroduction, their presence makes the success of the eradication effort questionable.

### Egeria densa in Lake Leland

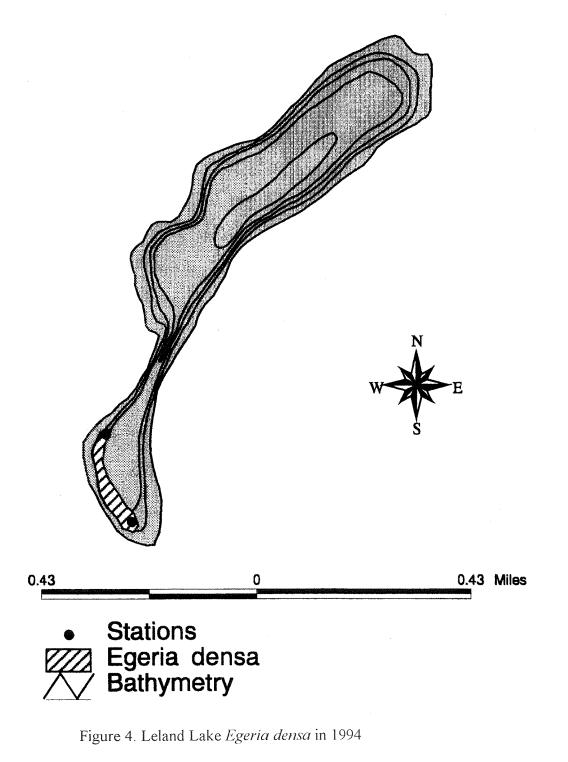
Lake Leland is a 110 acre shallow lake in rural eastern Jefferson County. It supports a diverse community of native vegetation which appears to host much wildlife. Casual observation disclosed newts laying eggs on native pondweeds, large duck flocks, and many wintering trumpeter swans. The fish biologist for this area stated that Lake Leland supports the best warm water fishery in the region (Collins, 1995). During the 1994 field season an isolated though well developed population of *Egeria densa* was discovered in the western end of the lake (Figure 4). Additional site visits were made in 1995 and 1996, and the *Egeria* population boundaries were recorded with a GPS unit and by visual placement on a map. During 1995 the population expanded throughout most of the isolated western end of the lake (Figure 5). By the fall of 1996 small pioneering clumps of *Egeria* were present in much of the lake's main body, and the western end contained a dense ring of this species between depths of 1 to 3 meters (Figure 6). The people living in the community are concerned about the impacts this plant will have on their lake, and are in the process of creating an Aquatic Vegetation Management Plan.

### Myriophyllum spicatum Control in Wapato Lake, Chelan County

During the 1994 field season, a small patch of *Myriophyllum spicatum* was discovered growing near the boat launch in Wapato Lake (near Lake Chelan, Chelan County). In 1995 this patch was hand pulled on two occasions, and another larger patch was discovered near the dock at the private campground. In the late summer of 1996 Ecology staff and the Chelan County Noxious Weed Control Board personnel worked together to continue hand pulling efforts, and to place bottom barrier over the larger patch. It was discovered at that time that the larger patch of milfoil was spreading to areas around and under the dock. Those areas were also pulled. Because *M. spicatum* will regrow from root crowns (Aiken *et al.*, 1979), and because newly established fragments are very difficult to detect among the dense native plant growth, control efforts will need to be continued in future years if this population is to be contained.

# Leland Lake

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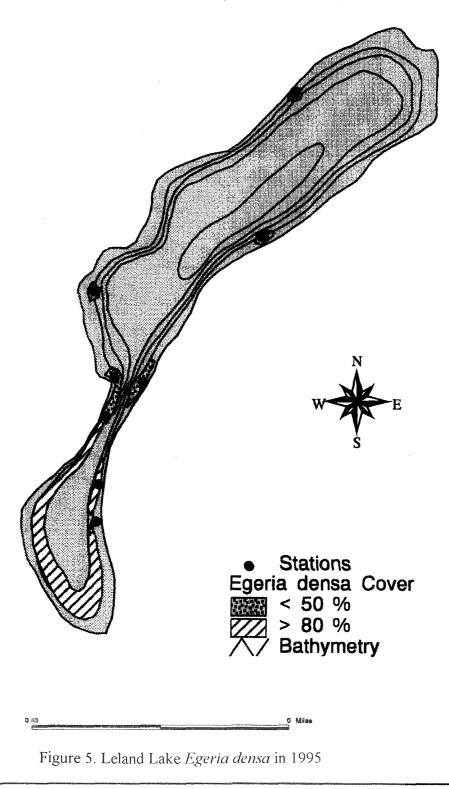


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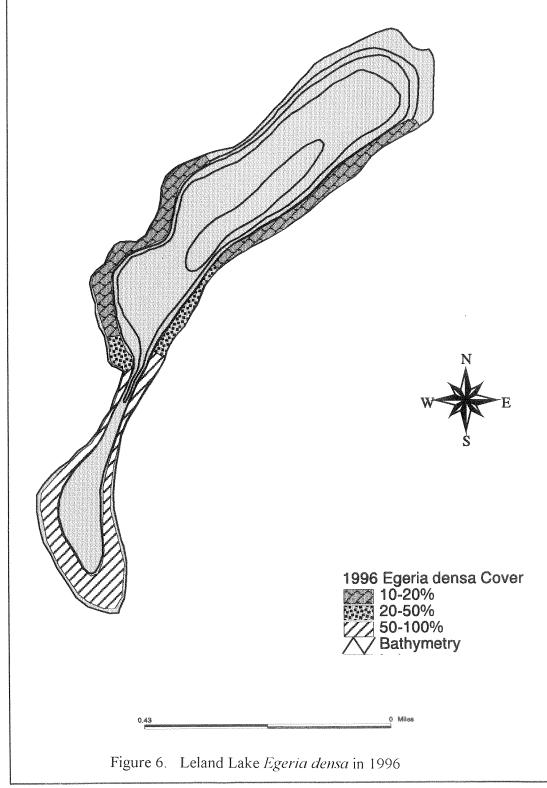
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# **Leland Lake**

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### Plant Monitoring Project

More in-depth macrophyte data were gathered during September 1995 and 1996 on two isolated Grant County lakes: Evergreen Lake and Quincy Lake. These lakes were chosen because of their close proximity to each other and because Evergreen Lake has a widely distributed population of *Myriophyllum spicatum*, while Quincy Lake does not appear to support a *M. spicatum* population. On each lake, several transects were established running perpendicular to shore. Transect locations were recorded with a GPS unit and a written description. Plant species and cover data were collected at 1 m depth intervals until the maximum depth of plant growth was reached (or the other side of the lake). The data were used to update bathymetric plant community maps. These transects will be revisited in future years to continue monitoring plant community changes.

Evergreen Lake is the larger and deeper of the two lakes (250 acres, 55 feet deep) (Figure 7). It receives direct irrigation runoff as its main water supply (Haltrap, 1995), and could have originally been colonized by *Myriophyllum spicatum* through fragments floating in from infested waterbodies upstream. Much of the shoreline is steep and rocky, providing inhospitable aquatic plant habitat. However, in the coves and in deeper water a dense aquatic plant community thrives. In 1995 *M. spicatum* dominated the plant community between depths of 3 to 5 meters throughout much of the lake that was surveyed (the exception being the far east end). There was, however, a diverse group of other species found as well. In the 1996 survey the *M. spicatum* population level had decreased throughout this band. In most areas it was not the dominant plant, but shared that distinction with a mix of several native or naturalized plants (*Chara, Potamogeton crispus, Elodea canadensis, Ceratophyllum demersum*). The area where its level had increased was the far east end. During both years the maximum depth of macrophyte growth was approximately 7 meters. In general the plant community appeared less vibrant in 1996 than it had in 1995. This was fairly typical for all lakes visited in 1996, probably due to the cool rainy growing season.

Quincy Lake is a long narrow 51 acre lake with a maximum depth of 23 ft (Figure 8). This lake has no direct water supply, instead being fed by ground water (the water table is elevated due to irrigation in the Columbia Basin). It is much more alkaline than Evergreen Lake (Quincy total alkalinity = 386 mg/L CaCO<sub>3</sub>, Evergreen = 70 mg/L CaCO<sub>3</sub>). Therefore, Quincy Lake has a more limited plant community, consisting of those tolerant of alkaline conditions. This could be the reason *Myriophyllum spicatum* is not found in this lake (see discussion under Alkalinity results). The population of *Lythrum salicaria* had increased over the study period in spite of control efforts, and in 1996 many small seedlings were observed. In deeper water throughout the lake (to 6 meters deep), *Chara* was the dominant macrophyte. The more shallow zones were populated by a mixture of species including *Myriophyllum sibiricum*, *Potamogeton pectinatus* and *Ceratophyllum demersum*. *Ruppia* (wigeongrass), a plant tolerant of extremely alkaline or brackish conditions was also present in small patches.

Figure 7. Evergreen Lake aquatic plant communities

Figure 8. Quincy Lake aquatic plant communities

### Rare Plants

In addition to the weedy plants, populations of plants listed as rare by the Washington Natural Heritage Program (WNHP) (Washington Natural Heritage Program, 1994) were observed during the field surveys. *Limosella acaulis* (mudwort), was again observed in Grant County; in addition, *Crassula aquatica* was observed in this area during 1996. Several lakes with populations of *Lobelia dortmanna* in Clallam and Mason Counties were also visited. These populations were reported to the WNHP database manager. It was hoped that the suspected population of *Potamogeton obtusifolius* in a Mason County lake could be confirmed, however that lake was not visited this year.

### **Alkalinity Results**

There is a wide range of alkalinity values reported for Washington lakes, with the general trend of lower values west of the Cascade Mountains and in the mountainous northeast corner. Table 5 lists results from the alkalinity data collected this year using a field test kit. Four times through the field season a known standard addition was used to test the accuracy of the field test kit. An average correction value was calculated from the results and applied to all test results. The results presented in Table 5 are the corrected values. As part of another project alkalinity samples were also collected from the Sun Lakes region during the same time period and analyzed by Manchester Environmental Laboratory using EPA Method 310.2. Comparison of the results (Table 6) shows that, except for the sample from Alkali Lake, the corrected results from the field test kit were within the ±10 mg/L accuracy purported by the manufacturer. The difference in Alkali Lake could be due to the dense aquatic macrophyte community found throughout this shallow lake. Because alkalinity is tied to carbon acquisition by aquatic plants, dense macrophyte beds will influence the alkalinity in a diurnal pattern (Smart, 1990; Wetzel, 1983).

Table 5. Alkalinity data results.

| County  | Waterbody Name  | Date     | Alkalinity |
|---------|-----------------|----------|------------|
|         |                 |          | mg/l CaCO3 |
| Chelan  | Wapato Lake     | 06/24/96 | 200        |
| Clallam | Beaver Lake     | 07/09/96 | 30         |
|         | Crescent Lake   | 07/10/96 | 49         |
|         | Ozette Lake     | 07/09/96 | 8          |
|         | Pleasant Lake   | 07/11/96 | 14         |
|         | Sutherland Lake | 07/11/96 | 65         |
| Grant   | Alkali Lake     | 07/16/96 | 229        |
|         | Blue Lake       | 07/16/96 | 207        |
|         | Burke Lake      | 09/19/96 | 172        |
|         | Deep Lake       | 06/25/96 | 147        |
|         | Evergreen Lake  | 09/18/96 | 70         |
|         | Lenore Lake     | 07/17/96 | 931        |
|         | Park Lake       | 06/26/96 | 190        |
|         | Quincy Lake     | 09/17/96 | 386        |

| Grays Harbor | Aberdeen Lake           | 07/22/96 | 28   |
|--------------|-------------------------|----------|------|
|              | Quinault Lake           | 10/07/96 | 24   |
|              | Sylvia Lake             | 07/22/96 | 16   |
| Island       | Deer Lake               | 09/04/96 | 20   |
|              | Goss Lake               | 09/05/96 | 26   |
|              | Lone Lake               | 09/04/96 | 74   |
| Jefferson    | Anderson Lake           | 07/08/96 | 58   |
|              | Leland Lake             | 06/11/96 | 26   |
|              | Tarboo Lake             | 07/02/96 | 9    |
| King         | Pipe Lake               | 06/18/96 | 31   |
| Kitsap       | Horseshoe Lake          | 08/22/96 | 5    |
|              | Mission Lake            | 09/09/96 | 35   |
| Kitsap/Mason | Tiger Lake              | 09/09/96 | 5    |
| Mason        | Benson Lake             | 07/23/96 | 6    |
| Okanogan     | Crawfish Lake           | 08/28/96 | 21   |
|              | Leader Lake             | 08/29/96 | 102  |
|              | Omak Lake               | 08/28/96 | 2986 |
|              | Spectacle Lake          | 08/27/96 | 77   |
| Pend Oreille | Davis Lake              | 07/30/96 | 46   |
|              | Diamond Lake            | 07/31/96 | 35   |
|              | Skookum Lake, South     | 07/31/96 | 9    |
|              | Sullivan Lake           | 08/01/96 | 52   |
| Pierce       | Clear Lake              | 06/12/96 | 20   |
|              | Harts Lake              | 07/03/96 | 67   |
|              | Ohop Lake               | 07/25/96 | 28   |
|              | Rapjohn Lake            | 07/25/96 | 28   |
|              | Spanaway Lake           | 09/11/96 | 48   |
|              | Tanwax Lake             | 09/12/96 | 29   |
| Skagit       | Campbell Lake           | 08/13/96 | 85   |
|              | Heart Lake (35N-01E-36) | 08/13/96 | 82   |
| Stevens      | Loon Lake               | 09/25/96 | 85   |
| Whatcom      | Cain Lake               | 08/14/96 | 18   |
|              | Terrell Lake            | 08/14/96 | 38   |

Table 6: Comparison of Sun Lakes Alkalinity Data

| Table 6. Compani | son or sun L | akes Aikaiiiity Data    |                         |  |
|------------------|--------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| Waterbody Name   | Date         | Alkalinity - mg/l CaCO3 | Alkalinity - mg/l CaCO3 |  |
|                  |              | Field Test Kit          | Laboratory analysis     |  |
| Alkali Lake      | 7/16/96      | 229                     |                         |  |
|                  | 7/23/96      |                         | 245                     |  |
| Blue Lake        | 7/16/96      | 207                     |                         |  |
|                  | 7/23/96      |                         | 206                     |  |
| Deep Lake        | 6/25/96      | 147                     |                         |  |
|                  | 6/21/96      |                         | 144                     |  |
| Lenore Lake      | 7/17/96      | 931                     |                         |  |
|                  | 7/23/96      |                         | 922                     |  |
| Park Lake        | 6/26/96      | 190                     |                         |  |
|                  | 6/21/96      |                         | 189                     |  |

The alkalinity data for plant species which were observed in at least five different lakes are presented in Figure 9. Two lakes with extremely high alkalinity were omitted from the analysis to maintain a readable scale (Lenore Lake and Omak Lake). Many species observed appear to have a broad range of tolerance. However, several have only been observed in lakes within a limited alkalinity range. Both Potamogeton epihydrus and Sparganium angustifolium were only found in lakes with less than 40 mg/L CaCO<sub>3</sub>. On the other end of the scale, Ruppia maritima was not found in any lake with less than 154 mg/L CaCO<sub>3</sub>. There have been few other studies with alkalinity ranges given for aquatic plants. In one such study of lakes in Japan, Kadono (1982) found Myriophyllum spicatum and Ceratophyllum demersum more often in lakes with higher alkalinity (range of M. spicatum was 13 to 145 mg/L and C. demersum was 9 to 451 mg/L CaCO<sub>3</sub>). In Washington lakes, C. demersum and M. spicatum were found within a very similar range. Kadono also observed Brasenia schreberi in lakes with relatively low alkalinity, a pattern which the Washington data also follow. In another study, Hellquist (1980) studied the correlation between *Potamogeton* species distribution and alkalinity in New England lakes. There are several differences between those results and what has been observed in Washington (Table 7). Hellquist found P. pectinatus between 30 to 280 mg/L CaCO<sub>3</sub>, but in Washington this plant was found in a higher range (to 931 mg/L CaCO<sub>3</sub>) though it had a similar median value (113 to 114 mg/L CaCO<sub>3</sub>). This could be an artifact from a lack of extremely alkaline lakes in New England. He found P. epihydrus in lakes with up to 161 mg/L CaCO<sub>3</sub>, whereas in the Washington lakes studied this plant appears restricted to less alkaline waters. Other plants with quite different alkalinity ranges between the two studies include P. illinoensis, P. natans, P. praelongus and P. richardsonii. The other plants in common between the two studies had fairly similar ranges and medians. The differences in observed values could be due to different physiological characteristics of the plants (different ecotypes), to differences in plant community composition between the two regions, or to other factors influencing the plants such as other water quality or sediment variables. Also, the data from Washington lakes are from a more limited set, so additional observations may affect the results.

Figure 9. Box plot of alkalinity ranges for selected macrophytes.

### Legend:

bar within the box - median hinges (box edges) - within which 25% to 75% of the values lie whiskers - include values within 1.5 Hspreads of the hinges (Hspread is the absolute value of the difference between the values of the two hinges). asterisk - values within 3 Hspreads of the hinges open circle - values outside 3 Hspreads of the hinges

### Plant Name Codes (from bottom to top of plot):

| Brasenia schreberi     | Polygonum amphibium                     | Potamogeton praelongus    |  |
|------------------------|---|---------------------------|--|
| Ceratophyllum demersum | Potamogeton amplifolius                 | Potamogeton pusillus      |  |
| Chara sp.              | Potamogeton crispus                     | Potamogeton richardsonii  |  |
| Elodea canadensis      | Potamogeton epihydrus                   | Potamogeton robinsii      |  |
| Isoetes lacustris      | Potamogeton foliosus                    | Potamogeton zosteriformis |  |
| Myriophyllum sibiricum | Potamogeton gramineus                   | Ranunculus aquatilus      |  |
| Myriophyllum spicatum  | Potamogeton illinoensis                 | Ruppia maritima           |  |
| Najas flexilis         | Potamogeton natans                      | Sparganium angustifolium  |  |
| Nuphar lutea           | Potentilla palustris                    | Vallisneria americana     |  |
| Nymphaea odorata       | Potamogeton pectinatus                  | Zannichellia palustris    |  |
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### Alkalinity Range by Macrophyte Species

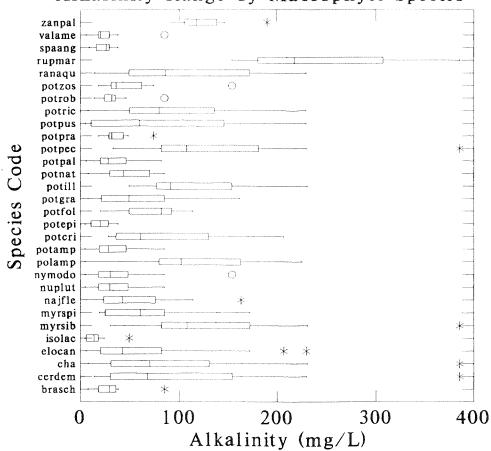


Table 7: Comparison of Alkalinity Ranges

|                         | New England Lakes |            |     | Washington Lakes |            |    |
|-------------------------|-------------------|------------|-----|------------------|------------|----|
|                         | Alkalinity Range  | median     |     | Alkalinity Range | median     |    |
| Species                 | mg/l CaCO3        | mg/l CaCO3 | n   | mg/l CaCO3       | mg/l CaCO3 | n  |
| Potamogeton amplifolius | 4 to 151          | 28         | 78  | 5 to 85          | 28         | 22 |
| P. crispus              | 15 to 208         | 93         | 31  | 28 to 207        | 61         | 10 |
| P. epihydrus            | 2 to 161          | *          | 169 | 5 to 38          | 20         | 11 |
| P. foliosus             | 17 to 168         | 73         | 62  | 20 to 114        | 82         | 7  |
| P. gramineus            | 3 to 151          | *          | 117 | 8 to 162         | 49         | 10 |
| P. illinoensis          | 24 to 151         | 80         | 24  | 49 to 230        | 91         | 6  |
| P. natans               | 3 to 162          | 21         | 152 | 8 to 85          | 43         | 8  |
| P. pectinatus           | 37 to 283         | 113        | 26  | 33 to 931        | 114        | 25 |
| P. praelongus           | 10 to 151         | 44         | 39  | 18 to 74         | 32         | 8  |
| P. pusillus             | 3 to 206          | *          | 172 | 5 to 229         | 59         | 8  |
| P. richardsonii         | 17 to 131         | 44         | 27  | 8 to 229         | 79         | 16 |
| P. robbinsii            | 4 to 122          | 26         | 49  | 14 to 85         | 32         | 10 |
| P. zosteriformis        | 6 to 151          | 49         | 74  | 18 to 154        | 36         | 11 |

<sup>\*</sup> values for more than one variety combined, original values not available to calculate a median

### **Sediment Characteristics Results**

Table 8 lists results from the penetrometer data collected, along with the sediment type and plants present at the site. The impact penetrometer was developed to measure sediment hardness (Coley et al., 1994). There is a general pattern of rocky, or rocky and sandy sediment having the lowest penetrometer readings, sandy sediments in the middle readings and organic muck at the highest readings. No corresponding pattern is evident from looking at the data on plants associated with the penetrometer readings (no statistical analyses were conducted). Rooted vascular plants were found on rocky firm substrate, and also on very soft organic substrate. The attached (but not rooted) macroalgae *Chara* was also found throughout the spectrum. Casual observations demonstrate patterns in the extremes. For instance, on extremely rocky sediment, where no penetrometer readings are possible, often there are also no aquatic plants. Similarly, on extremely floculant sediments where the penetrometer simply sinks into the mire, there are often no rooted aquatic plants. Patterns of influence between sediment characteristics and aquatic plants demonstrated by other studies indicate that sediment organic matter, sediment density, and sediment fertility all affect macrophyte community composition (Barko et al., 1991; Barko and Smart, 1986). However, no data on these parameters were gathered this year.

Table 8: Sediment Hardness and Macrophyte Data

| Penetro-<br>meter                |         |   |                           |
|----------------------------------|---------|---|---------------------------|
| Lake Name (County)               | cm/slam | Macrophytes Present   | Substrate                 |
| Horseshoe (Kitsap)               | 0.80    | Juncus supiniformis   | hard, rocky               |
| Evergreen (Grant)                | 1.00    | Sparse Chara  | clay-like, rock           |
| Tiger (Kitsap/Mason)             | 2.80    | Patch of Nymphaea odorata                                   | gravel                    |
| Evergreen (Grant)                | 3.00    | Sparse Chara  | rocky                     |
| Tanwax (Pierce)                  | 3.20    | Vallisneria americana bed, sandy                            | sandy                     |
| Davis (Pend Oreille)             | 3.80    | dense Potamogeton amplifolius, patchy Myriophyllum spicatum | sand, rock                |
| Lone (Island)                    | 4.40    | sparse Elodea canadensis, sandy soil                        | sandy/organic             |
| Terrell (Whatcom)                | 4.60    | dense Sparganium angustifolium, Vallisneria americana       |                           |
| Evergreen (Grant)                | 4.60    | Ranunculus aquatilus dense, Elodea canadensis present       |                           |
| Evergreen (Grant)                | 4.80    | Myriophyllum spicatum                                       |                           |
| Burke (Grant)                    | 5.60    | Thick Myriophyllum sibiricum                                | black sandy mud           |
| Quincy (Grant)                   | 6.40    | Chara   |                           |
| Bonaparte (Okanogan)             | 6.80    | Potamogeton richardsonii                                    | sandy, organic            |
| Park (Grant)                     | 8.60    | Dense bed of Potamogeton pectinatus and                     |                           |
|                                  |         | Potamogeton richardsonii                                    |                           |
| Campbell (Skagit)                | 8.60    | Patch of Myriophyllum spicatum,                             | organic mud, sand/silt    |
|                                  |         | Myriophyllum sibiricum                                      | gravel                    |
| Quincy (Grant)                   | 9,40    | Dense Chara - pushed through 20 cm                          | organic                   |
| Burke (Grant)                    | 10.00   | thick Myriophyllum sibiricum                                | black sandy mud           |
| Quincy (Grant)                   | 12.50   | Thick Chara   |                           |
| Quincy (Grant)                   | 12.50   | Chara 20 cm thick   | sand/organic              |
| Quincy (Grant)                   | 12.50   | Thick Chara - pushed through 25 cm                          | black organic/sand        |
| Park (Grant)                     | 25.00   | Chara   | sandy, whitish            |
| Skookum, South (Pend<br>Oreille) | 45.00   | sparse Nuphar lutea, mucky sediment                         | soft muck                 |
| Mission (Kitsap)                 | 50.00   | Elodea canadensis, Potamogeton robbinsii,<br>P. amplifolius | organic layer             |
| Park (Grant)                     | 50.00   | Chara   | muck, sand                |
| Harts (Pierce)                   | 50.00   | Myriophyllum spicatum                                       | seems organic, muck       |
| Diamond (Pend Oreille)           | 50.00   | dense Elodea canadensis                                     | soft muck                 |
| Mason (Mason)                    | 50.00   | sparse Vallisneria (3-5 plants / sq m)                      | light colored sand / silt |
| Campbell (Skagit)                | 50.00   | edge of Myriophyllum sibiricum bed                          | organic mud               |
| Quincy (Grant)                   | 50.00   | Thick Myriophyllum sibiricum                                | black silt                |

#### Herbarium

#### **Methods Used in Aquatic Plant Identification**

All plants were identified to the lowest taxonomic group possible, usually to species unless critical features of the plant were missing (such as flowers or fruits). To assure proper identification, a number of books and other sources have been gathered to use as cross references (Appendix B). In addition, several people from within and outside the agency are consulted in cases where identification is difficult. If this is not satisfactory, the plant is sent to taxonomic experts for an opinion. Kartesz (1994), The Jepson Manual (Hickman, 1993), and personal consultation with authors of the Flora of North America (Flora of North America Editorial Committee, 1993) are used to ensure the nomenclature is current. In the case of questionable *Myriophyllum* species, samples were sent to the University of California, Davis for DNA analysis.

#### Methods Used in Collection and Preservation

The methods used in preserving aquatic plants were those of Haynes (1984). First, all available plant parts (roots, stem, flowering parts) were collected and sealed in a wet plastic bag. Within three days, but usually sooner, the plants were washed, identified, and arranged on a sheet of 100% rag herbarium paper. If the plant was too limp to maintain its shape in air, it was arranged on the paper in a tray of water. The herbarium sheets with plants and a written site description were then sandwiched between newspaper, blotter paper and cardboard in a plant press. When the specimen dried, it was fixed to the paper with herbarium glue or binding tape (if it was not already sufficiently adhered from the wet pressing process). A label with identification and collection information was attached. These finished reference specimens are stored in a sealed herbarium cabinet located in the Ecology headquarters building benthic laboratory.

The herbarium collection contains 99 unique taxa from 37 families (Table 9). There is a total of 284 specimens, and in most cases each species is represented by more than one specimen. Each time a noxious weed is found, a collection is made to be kept as a record. Additional taxa will be added to the herbarium as they are collected in future years. Also, specimens from aquatic plant mapping projects funded under the Aquatic Weed Management grant program are housed in this herbarium. The collection is available to both Ecology staff and the public as a reference and permanent record.

**Table 9: Herbarium Specimens - Grouped by Family** 

| Family           | Scientific name              | Common name                    |
|------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Alismataceae     |                              |                                |
|                  | Alisma gramineum             | narrowleaf water-plantain      |
|                  | Sagittaria cuneata           | Arumleaf arrowhead, wapato     |
|                  | Sagittaria graminea          | slender arrowhead              |
| Apiaceae         |                              |                                |
|                  | Cicuta douglasii             | western water-hemlock          |
|                  | Hydrocotyle ranunculoides    | water-pennywort                |
|                  | Lilaeopsis occidentalis      | filaeopsis                     |
| Asteraceae       |                              |                                |
|                  | Megalodonta beckii           | water marigold                 |
| Azollaceae       |                              |                                |
|                  | Azolla mexicana              | mexican water-fern             |
| Boraginaceae     |                              |                                |
|                  | Myosotis laxa                | small flowered forget-me-not   |
| Brassicaceae     |                              |                                |
|                  | Rorippa nasturtium-aquaticum | water-cress                    |
|                  | Rorippa palustris            | marsh yellowcress              |
|                  | Subularia aquatica           | awlwort                        |
| Cabombaceae      |                              |                                |
|                  | Brasenia schreberi           | watershield                    |
|                  | Cabomba caroliniana          | fanwort                        |
| Callitrichaceae  |                              |                                |
|                  | Callitriche anceps           | two-edged water-starwort       |
|                  | Callitriche hermaphroditica  | northern water-starwort        |
|                  | Callitriche heterophylla     | different-leaved water-starwor |
|                  | Callitriche stagnalis        | pond water-starwort            |
|                  | Callitriche verna            | spring water-starwort          |
| Campanulaceae    |                              |                                |
|                  | Lobelia dortmanna            | water gladiole; water lobelia  |
| Ceratophyllaceae |                              |                                |
|                  | Ceratophyllum demersum       | Coontail; hornwort             |
| Characeae        |                              |                                |
|                  | Nitella sp.                  | stonewort                      |
| Crassulaceae     |                              |                                |
|                  | Crassula aquatica            | pygmy-weed                     |
| Cyperaceae       |                              |                                |
|                  | Carex unilateralis           | one-sided sedge                |
|                  | Cyperus erythrorhizos        | red rooted cyperus             |
|                  | Dulichium arundinaceum       | Dulichium                      |
|                  | Eleocharis acicularis        | needle spike-rush              |

Table 9. Continued.

| Family           | Scientific name            | Common name              |
|------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
|                  | Eleocharis parvula         | small spike-rush         |
|                  | Scirpus acutus             | hardstem bulrush         |
|                  | Scirpus americanus         | american bulrush         |
|                  | Scirpus cyperinus          | wool-grass               |
|                  | Scirpus fluviatilis        | river bulrush            |
|                  | Scirpus maritimus          | seacoast bulrush         |
|                  | Scirpus nevadensis         | Nevada bulrush           |
|                  | Scirpus subterminalis      | fescue scolochloa        |
| Elatinaceae      |                            |                          |
|                  | Elatine triandra           | three-stamen waterwort   |
| Fontinalaceae    |                            |                          |
|                  | Fontinalis antipyretica    | water moss               |
| Haloragaceae     |                            |                          |
|                  | Myriophyllum aquaticum     | parrotfeather            |
|                  | Myriophyllum hippuroides   | western watermilfoil     |
|                  | Myriophyllum quitense      | waterwort watermilfoil   |
|                  | Myriophyllum sibiricum     | northern watermilfoil    |
| v                | Myriophyllum sp.           | water-milfoil            |
|                  | Myriophyllum spicatum      | Eurasian water-milfoil   |
|                  | Myriophyllum verticillatum | whorled watermilfoil     |
| Hippuridaceae    |                            |                          |
|                  | Hippuris vulgaris          | common marestail         |
| Hydrocharitaceae |                            |                          |
|                  | Egeria densa               | Brazilian elodea         |
|                  | Egeria najas               | Asian anacharis          |
|                  | Elodea canadensis          | common elodea            |
|                  | Elodea nuttallii           | Nuttall's waterweed      |
|                  | Hydrilla verticillata      | hydrilla                 |
|                  | Vallisneria americana      | water celery             |
| Isoetaceae       |                            |                          |
|                  | Isoetes lacustris          | lake quillwort           |
| Juncaceae        |                            |                          |
|                  | Juncus acuminatus          | tapered rush             |
|                  | Juncus supinus             | bulbous rush             |
| Lamiaceae        |                            |                          |
|                  | Lycopus asper              | rough bungleweed         |
| Lemnaceae        |                            |                          |
|                  | Wolffia sp.                | water-meal               |
| Lentibulariaceae |                            |                          |
|                  | Utricularia inflata        | big floating bladderwort |
|                  | Utricularia macrorhiza     | common bladderwort       |
|                  | Utricularia minor          | lesser bladderwort       |

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| Family           | Scientific name              | Common name                     |
|------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
|                  | Utricularia sp.              | bladderwort                     |
|                  | Utricularia vulgaris         | common bladderwort              |
| Menyanthaceae    |                              |                                 |
|                  | Nymphoides peltata           | water fringe                    |
| Najadaceae       |                              |                                 |
|                  | Najas flexilis               | common naiad                    |
|                  | Najas gradalupensis          | Guadalupe water-nymph           |
| Nymphaeaceae     |                              |                                 |
|                  | Nuphar lutea ssp. polysepala | spatter-dock, yellow water-lily |
| Onagraceae       |                              |                                 |
|                  | Ludwigia hexapetala          | water primrose                  |
|                  | Ludwigia palustris           | water-purslane                  |
| Poaceae          | -                            |                                 |
|                  | Cinna latifolia              | wood reed-grass                 |
|                  | Glyceria borealis            | northern mannagrass             |
|                  | Zizania aquatica             | wild rice                       |
| Polygonaceae     |                              |                                 |
|                  | Polygonum amphibium          | water smartweed                 |
|                  | Polygonum hydropiperoides    | common smartweed                |
| Pontederiaceae   |                              |                                 |
|                  | Heteranthera dubia           | water star-grass                |
| Potamogetonaceae |                              |                                 |
|                  | Potamogeton amplifolius      | large-leaf pondweed             |
|                  | Potamogeton crispus          | curly leaf pondweed             |
|                  | Potamogeton epihydrus        | ribbonleaf pondweed             |
|                  | Potamogeton foliosus         | leafy pondweed                  |
|                  | Potamogeton friesii          | flat-stalked pondweed           |
|                  | Potamogeton gramineus        | grass-leaved pondweed           |
|                  | Potamogeton illinoensis      | Illinois pondweed               |
|                  | Potamogeton natans           | floating leaf pondweed          |
|                  | Potamogeton nodosus          | longleaf pondweed               |
|                  | Potamogeton pectinatus       | sago pondweed                   |
|                  | Potamogeton praelongus       | whitestem pondweed              |
|                  | Potamogeton pusillus         | slender pondweed                |
|                  | Potamogeton richardsonii     | Richardson's pondweed           |
|                  | Potamogeton robbinsii        | fern leaf pondweed              |
|                  | Potamogeton zosteriformis    | eel-grass pondweed              |
| Primulaceae      |                              |                                 |
|                  | Lysimachia nummularia        | creeping loosestrife            |
|                  | Lysimachia thyrsiflora       | tufted loosestrife              |
| S 1.             |                              |                                 |
| Ranunculaceae    |                              |                                 |

Table 9. Continued.

| Family           | Scientific name             | Common name           |
|------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
|                  | Ranunculus flammula         | creeping buttercup    |
| Ruppiaceae       |                             |                       |
|                  | Ruppia maritima             | ditch-grass           |
| Scrophulariaceae |                             |                       |
|                  | Gratiola neglecta           | hedge-hyssop          |
|                  | Limosella acaulis           | mudwort               |
|                  | Lindernia dubia             | false-pimpernel       |
|                  | Veronica anagallis-aquatica | water speedwell       |
| Sparganiaceae    |                             |                       |
|                  | Sparganium angustifolium    | narrowleaf bur-reed   |
|                  | Sparganium eurycarpum       | broadfruited bur-reed |
|                  | Sparganium nutans           | small bur-reed        |
|                  | Sparganium sp.              | bur-reed              |
| Zannichelliaceae |                             |                       |
|                  | Zannichellia palustris      | horned pondweed       |

## **Aquatic Weed Management Fund Related Activities**

Sixteen grant applications submitted to the Water Quality Financial Assistance Section for Aquatic Weed Management Fund (AWMF) grant moneys were reviewed (Table 10). Recommendations on funding priorities were made in December, and awards are scheduled to be made during 1997. There were more qualified applicants than money available, so not all projects listed received funding. (For more information on project funding mechanisms contact the AWMF administrator at the Department of Ecology, Water Quality Program).

Table 10. Aquatic Weed Management Fund grant applications - 1996 (projects receiving at least

partial funding are indicated by an asterisk).

| Applicant                              | Project Title                               |
|--|---|
| Ferry Conservation District            | Ferry Lakes Invader Project*                |
| Jefferson County Conservation District | Lake Leland Brazilian Elodea Study*         |
| Pacific Conservation District          | Loomis Lake Milfoil Management Plan*        |
| Stevens County Noxious Weed Board      | Milfoil Eradication Project*                |
| Mason County                           | Lake Limerick Aquatic Weed Management*      |
| Okanogan County Noxious Weed Board     | Purple Loosestrife Waterworks Phase II*     |
| City of Everett                        | 1997 Silver Lake Milfoil Control            |
| City of Ocean Shores                   | Aquatic Weed Implementation Project #3      |
| San Juan County Noxious Weed Board     | Early Detection Survey and Education        |
| King County Surface Water Management   | Aquatic Weed Volunteer Monitoring Training* |
| City of Kent                           | Lake Meridian Aquatic Plant Management Plan |
| Snohomish County                       | Seven Lake Milfoil Eradication IAPMP*       |
| Skagit County                          | Big Lake Weed Management Plan*              |
| Skagit County                          | Lake Campbell/Erie Aquatic Weed Management  |
| Washington State Department of Natural | Chehalis River Purple Loosestrife Project*  |
| Resources                              |   |
| Yakima County Noxious Weed Board       | Yakima River Purple Loosestrife Project*    |

#### **Aquatic Plant Field Guide**

During 1994, money from the AWMF was targeted for development and production of an Aquatic Plant Field Guide. The guide will include approximately 120 aquatic plants with photographs, line drawings, written descriptions, and notes on the values and natural history of the plants. We selected a consultant team headed by Shapiro and Associates to develop the guide. During 1995 and 1996 this team compiled photographs and drawings of the plants, and composed written descriptions. Each page is extensively reviewed by aquatic plant technical assistance personnel for accuracy and readability. At the end of this initial review, the completed pages will be reviewed externally. The publication is expected in 1997.

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# Appendix A

**Site Visit Summary Table 1994-1996** 

### Waterbodies Surveyed for aquatic plants 1994-1996

| County   | Waterbody Name                | RI       | Date     | Survey Extent               | Weedy Exotic Plants                          |
|----------|-------------------------------|----------|----------|-----------------------------|--|
| Chelan   | Antilon Lake                  | 47       | 8/31/94  | from shore, N and S ends    | none   |
|          | Chelan Lake                   | 47       | 8/31/94  | from City Park shore        | Myriophyllum spicatum                        |
|          | Dry Lake                      | 47       | 8/31/94  | from shore, east end        | none   |
|          | Roses Lake                    | 47       | 8/31/94  | south shore                 | none   |
|          | Wapato Lake                   | 47       | 8/31/94  | entire shoreline            | Myriophyllum spicatum                        |
|          | *                             |          | 6/27/95  | whole littoral              |  |
|          |                               |          | 8/8/95   | whole littoral              |  |
|          |                               |          | 9/11/95  | whole littoral              |  |
|          |                               |          | 06/24/96 | whole littoral              |  |
|          |                               |          | 07/15/96 | milfoil sites               |  |
|          |                               |          | 09/16/96 | milfoil sites               |  |
|          | Wenatchee Lake                | 45       | 9/1/94   | west end, east boat launch  | none   |
| Clallam  | Beaver Lake                   | 20       | 07/09/96 | whole littoral              | none   |
|          | Crescent Lake                 | 19       | 07/10/96 | 4 sites                     | none   |
|          | Ozette Lake                   | 20       | 07/09/96 | 3 sites                     | none   |
|          | Pleasant Lake                 | 20       | 07/11/96 | whole littoral              | none   |
|          | Sutherland Lake               | 18       | 07/11/96 | whole littoral              | none   |
|          | Unnamed (30N-04W-17)          | 18       | 7/13/95  | ID from plant sample        | Myriophyllum spicatum                        |
| Clark    | Battleground Lake             | 28       | 4/13/94  | from dock only              | Egeria densa                                 |
|          | Caterpillar Slough            | 28       | 8/15/95  | spot check from boat        | Myriophyllum spicatum                        |
|          | Columbia River at Ridgefield  | 28       | 8/15/95  | spot check from boat        | Myriophyllum spicatum                        |
|          |                               |          |          |                             | Lythrum salicaria                            |
|          | Vancouver Lake                | 28       | 8/15/95  | spot check from shore       | none   |
| Cowlitz  | Silver Lake                   | 26       | 9/7/94   | several locations thu' lake | Myriophyllum spicatum                        |
|          |                               |          | 9/19/95  | several sites, from boat    | none   |
|          | Solo Slough                   | 25       | 4/13/94  | spot check from shore       | Myriophyllum aquaticum Cabomba caroliniana   |
|          |                               |          | 7/14/94  | spot check from shore       |  |
|          |                               |          | 8/16/95  | from shore                  | Egeria densa                                 |
|          |                               |          | 08/08/96 | from shore                  | Ludwigia hexapetala<br>Myriophyllum spicatum |
|          |                               | <u> </u> |          |                             |  |
|          | Willow Grove Slough           | 25       | 4/13/94  | spot check from shore       | Cabomba caroliniana                          |
|          |                               |          | 7/14/94  | spot check from shore       | Myriophyllum spicatum                        |
|          |                               |          | 8/16/95  | several sites, from boat    | Egeria densa                                 |
|          |                               |          |          |                             | Cabomba caroliniana                          |
|          |                               |          |          |                             | Lythrum salicaria                            |
|          |                               |          |          |                             | Myriophyllum spicatum                        |
| Douglas  | Jameson Lake                  | 44       | 06/26/96 | 1 site from shore           | none   |
| Ferry    | Curlew Lake                   | 60       | 8/22/95  | 5 sites, whole littoral     | none   |
|          |                               |          | 08/02/96 | 4 sites (luanches)          | none   |
|          | Ellen Lake                    | 58       | 8/23/95  | whole littoral              | none   |
|          | Trout Lake                    | 58       | 8/22/95  | whole littoral              | none   |
| -        | Twin Lakes                    | 58       | 8/23/95  | 4 sites, both lakes         | none   |
| Franklin | Scooteney Res                 | 36       | 7/26/95  | spot check from shore       | Myriophyllum spicatum                        |
|          | Snake River - Lower           | 33       | 08/20/96 | spot check, boat            | Myriophyllum spicatum                        |
|          | Snake River at Ice Harbor Dam | 33       | 08/19/96 | spot check, boat            | Myriophyllum spicatum                        |
|          | Snake River at Levey Park     | 33       | 08/19/96 | spot check, boat            | none   |
|          | Snake River at Windust Park   | 33       | 08/20/96 | spot check, boat            | none   |

| Grant      | Alkali Lake            | 42 | 07/16/96 | whole littoral              | none                  |
|------------|------------------------|----|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
|            | Babcock Ridge Lake     | 41 | 7/24/95  | 2 sites, whole littoral     | Myriophyllum spicatum |
|            |                        |    |          |                             | Lythrum salicaria     |
|            | Banks Lake             | 42 | 06/25/96 | spot check, shore           | none                  |
|            | Billy Clapp Lake       | 42 | 8/30/95  | 4 sites, whole littoral     | Myriophyllum spicatum |
|            | Blue Lake              | 42 | 07/16/96 | whole littoral              | none                  |
|            | Burke Lake             | 41 | 6/28/94  | entire shoreline            | Lythrum salicaria     |
|            |                        |    | 09/19/96 | whole littoral              | Myriophyllum spicatum |
|            | Canal Lake             | 41 | 8/30/95  | 4 sites, whole littoral     | Lythrum salicaria     |
|            | Corral Lake            | 41 | 7/25/95  | whole littoral              | Lythrum salicaria     |
|            | Crater Lake            | 41 | 7/24/95  | spot check from shore       | none                  |
|            | Deep Lake              | 42 | 06/25/96 | whole littoral              | none                  |
|            | Dry Falls Lake         | 42 | 06/25/96 | spot check, shore           | none                  |
|            | Evergreen Lake         | 41 | 6/27/94  | entire shoreline            | Lythrum salicaria     |
|            |                        | -  | 9/12/95  | 8 transects, whole littoral | Myriophyllum spicatum |
|            |                        |    | 09/18/96 | 8 transects, whole littoral |                       |
|            | Lenore Lake            | 42 | 07/17/96 | whole littoral              | none                  |
|            | Long Lake (17N-29E-32) | 41 | 8/31/95  | 2 sites, whole littoral     | none                  |
|            | Park Lake              | 42 | 06/26/96 | whole littoral              | none                  |
|            | Potholes Reservoir     | 41 | 8/7/94   | 6 sites on N & W side       | Myriophyllum spicatum |
|            | Quincy Lake            | 41 | 6/28/94  | entire shoreline            | Lythrum salicaria     |
|            | Tame, Lake             | '* | 9/13/95  | 3 transects, whole littoral | - Lyun um sancaria    |
|            |                        |    | 09/17/96 | 3 transects, whole littoral |                       |
|            | Soda Lake              | 41 | 7/25/95  | whole littoral              | none                  |
|            | Stan Coffin Lake       | 41 | 6/29/94  | entire shoreline            | Myriophyllum spicatum |
|            | Jan Comm Bake          | 1  | 0/25/54  | Citine shoreime             | Lythrum salicaria     |
|            | Warden Lake            | 41 | 7/25/95  | 2 sites, whole littoral     | Lythrum salicaria     |
|            | Winchester Wasteway    | 41 | 7/26/95  | spot check from shore       | Lythrum salicaria     |
|            | Windmill Lake          | 41 | 8/30/95  | south end                   | none                  |
| Grays      | Aberdeen Lake          | 22 | 07/22/96 | whole littoral              | none                  |
|            | Duck Lake              | 22 | 9/9/95   | 2 sites, from shore         | Egeria densa          |
|            | Quinault Lake          | 21 | 10/07/96 | 75% of littoral             | none                  |
|            | Sylvia Lake            | 22 | 07/22/96 | whole littoral              | none                  |
| Island     | Cranberry Lake         | 6  | 8/24/94  | 4 sites around lake         | none                  |
|            | Cranoury Bane          |    |          | spot check, shore           | none                  |
|            | Crockett Lake          | 6  |          | spot check, shore           | none                  |
|            | Deer Lake              | 6  |          | whole littoral              | none                  |
|            | Goss Lake              | 6  |          | whole littoral              | none                  |
|            | Lone Lake              | 6  | 09/04/96 | whole littoral              | Lythrum salicaria     |
| Jefferson  | Anderson Lake          | 17 | 07/08/96 | whole littoral              |                       |
| 3011013011 | Crocker Lake           | 17 | 5/24/94  | northwest half - littoral   | none                  |
|            | Clocker Lake           | 17 | 6/14/95  | whole littoral              | none                  |
|            |                        |    | 06/11/96 | whole littoral              | _                     |
|            | Leland Lake            | 17 | 5/24/94  | entire shoreline            | Egeria densa          |
|            | Doland Lake            | 1/ | 6/14/95  | whole littoral              | Lgeria aensa          |
|            |                        |    |          | <del></del>                 | -                     |
|            |                        |    | 10/3/95  | whole littoral              |                       |
|            |                        |    | 11/8/95  | Egeria site                 | _                     |
|            |                        |    | 06/11/96 | whole littoral              | _                     |
|            | I                      | 1  | 07/02/96 | whole littoral              |                       |

|             |                            | Î  | 10/02/96 | whole littoral              |                          |
|-------------|----------------------------|----|----------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
|             | Tarboo Lake                | 17 | 07/02/96 | whole littoral              | none                     |
| King        | Lucerne Lake               | 9  | 6/9/95   | outlet                      | Hydrilla verticillata    |
|             |                            |    | 7/15/95  | spot check                  | Myriophyllum spicatum    |
|             | Pipe Lake                  | 9  | 6/1/95   | several sites, divers       | Hydrilla verticillata    |
|             |                            |    | 6/9/95   | near boatlaunch, outlet     | Myriophyllum spicatum    |
|             |                            |    | 7/12/95  | from shore                  |                          |
|             |                            |    | 7/15/95  | 6 sites, biomass samples    |                          |
|             |                            |    | 8/1/95   | 6 sites, biomass samples    |                          |
|             |                            |    | 06/18/96 | spot check, boat            |                          |
|             | Steel Lake                 | 9  | 5/11/94  | entire shoreline, divers    | Myriophyllum spicatum    |
| Kitsap      | Horseshoe Lake             | 15 | 08/22/96 | whole littoral              | none                     |
|             | Kitsap Lake                | 15 | 8/3/95   | 2 sites, whole littoral     | none                     |
|             | Long Lake                  | 15 | 9/12/94  | several locations           | Egeria densa             |
|             |                            |    | 3/17/95  | 6 transects, whole littoral | Myriophyllum spicatum    |
|             |                            |    |          | ŕ                           | Lythrum salicaria        |
|             | Mission Lake               | 15 | 09/09/96 | whole littoral              | none                     |
|             | Panther Lake               | 15 | 8/2/95   | whole littoral              | none                     |
|             | Wildcat Lake               | 15 | 10/4/95  | 4 sites, whole littoral     | none                     |
| Kitsap/Maso | Tiger Lake                 | 15 | 09/09/96 | whole littoral              | none                     |
| Kittitas    | Easton Lake                | 39 | 8/30/94  | spot check from shore       | none                     |
|             | Kiwanis Pond               | 39 | 8/30/94  | spot check from shore       | none                     |
|             | unnamed fishing pond       | 39 | 8/30/94  | most of shoreline           | none                     |
|             | unnamed ponds              | 39 | 8/30/94  | spot checks                 | Lythrum salicaria at one |
| Klickitat   | Columbia River at Bingen   | 29 | 8/14/95  | spot check from shore       | Myriophyllum spicatum    |
|             | Columbia River at Maryhill | 30 | 8/14/95  | spot check from boat        | Myriophyllum spicatum    |
|             | Horsethief Lake            | 30 | 8/14/95  | spot check from shore       | Myriophyllum spicatum    |
| Lewis       | Chehalis River             | 23 | 7/27/95  | shoreline, from boat        | Myriophyllum aquaticum   |
|             |                            |    | 09/10/96 | 1 site from shore           |                          |
| Lincoln     | Sprague Lake               | 34 | 8/6/94   | cove at NE end of lake      | none                     |
| Mason       | Benson Lake                | 14 | 07/23/96 | whole littoral              | none                     |
|             | Devereaux Lake             | 15 | 8/16/94  | spot check from shore       | none                     |
|             | Haven Lake                 | 15 | 8/16/94  | entire shoreline            | none                     |
|             | Isabella Lake              | 14 | 7/19/94  | entire shoreline            | none                     |
|             |                            |    | 8/2/95   | checked for rare plant      |                          |
|             | Island Lake                | 14 | 07/23/96 | whole littoral              | Myriophyllum spicatum    |
|             | Limerick Lake              | 14 | 8/15/94  | entire shoreline            | Egeria densa             |
|             |                            |    | 7/13/95  | spot check, boat            | <b>7</b> °               |
|             | Lost Lake                  | 14 | 8/11/94  | entire shoreline            | none                     |
|             | Mason Lake                 | 14 | 08/07/96 | whole littoral              | none                     |
|             | Spencer Lake               | 14 | 8/15/94  | most of shoreline           | Lythrum salicaria        |
|             |                            |    | 7/13/95  | spot check, boat            | Lythrum salicaria        |
|             |                            |    | 08/22/96 | south end, boat             | none                     |
|             | Wooten Lake                | 15 | 8/16/94  | most of shoreline           | none                     |
| Okanogan    | Aeneas Lake                |    | 7/25/94  | entire shoreline            | none                     |
| •           | Alta Lake                  | 48 | 6/29/95  | whole littoral              | none                     |
|             | Big Twin Lake              | 48 | 8/9/95   | most of littoral            | none                     |
|             | Bonaparte Lake             | 49 | 08/27/96 | whole littoral              | none                     |
|             | Buffalo Lake               | 53 | 8/21/95  | 3 sites, boat               | none                     |

|             | Conconully Lake          | 49   | 7/26/94  | 7 sites thru' shoreline       | Myriophyllum spicatum? |
|-------------|--------------------------|------|----------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
|             | Conconully Reservoir     | 49   | 7/26/94  | north end                     | Inone                  |
|             | Crawfish Lake            | 52   |          | whole littoral                | none                   |
|             | Davis Lake               | 48   | 8/9/95   | whole littoral                | none                   |
|             | Duck (Bide-a-Wee) Lake   | 49   | 08/28/96 | spot check, shore             | none                   |
|             | Fish Lake                | 49   | 7/26/94  | entire shoreline              | none                   |
|             | Green Lake               | 49   | 6/29/95  | 2 sites, whole littoral       | none                   |
|             | Leader Lake              | 49   | 08/29/96 | whole littoral                | none                   |
|             | Little Twin Lake         | 48   | 8/9/95   | whole littoral                | none                   |
|             | Omak Lake                | 49   | 08/28/96 | north end, boat               | none                   |
|             | Palmer Lake              | 49   | 7/27/94  | boatlaunches, from shore      | none                   |
|             |                          |      | 6/28/95  | whole littoral                | none                   |
|             | Patterson Lake           | 48   | 8/10/95  | 2 sites, whole littoral       | none                   |
|             | Pearrygin Lake           | 48   | 8/10/95  | 3 sites, whole littoral       | Lythrum salicaria      |
|             | Sidley Lake              | 49   | 08/27/96 | spot check, shore             | none                   |
|             | Spectacle Lake           | 49   | 7/27/94  | 5 sites, various locations    | none                   |
|             | Speciacie Bake           | 47   | 08/27/96 | whole littoral                |                        |
|             | Wannacut Lake            | 49   | 7/28/94  | 3 sites                       | none                   |
|             | Whitestone Lake          | 49   | 7/27/94  | 5 sites, various locations    | none                   |
|             | Wintestone Lake          | 49   | 6/28/95  |                               | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
|             |                          |      |          | 6 sites, whole littoral       | Lythrum salicaria      |
| Pacific     | Diagle Lake              | 1 24 | 08/26/96 | whole littoral                | 77 . 1                 |
| acme        | Black Lake               | 24   | 7/12/94  | spot check, shore             | Egeria densa           |
|             | T-1IT-1                  | 1 24 | 08/08/96 | most of shoreline             |                        |
|             | Island Lake              | 24   | 7/14/94  | entire shoreline              | none                   |
|             | Loomis Lake              | 24   | 7/13/94  | most of shoreline             | none                   |
|             | O'Neil Lake              | 24   | 7/12/94  | entire littoral               | none                   |
| 2 10 11     | Surfside Lake            | 24   | 7/13/94  | 5 sites from bridges          | none                   |
| end Oreille | Browns Lake              | 62   | 07/31/96 | spot check, shore             | none                   |
|             | Davis Lake               | 62   | 8/2/94   | most of littoral              | none                   |
|             |                          |      | 07/30/96 | north end, boat launch        | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
|             | Diamond Lake             | 55   | 8/2/94   | boatlaunch, from shore        | none                   |
|             |                          |      | 07/31/96 | east end, boat launch         | none                   |
|             | Fan Lake                 | 55   | 8/3/94   | entire shoreline              | Lythrum salicaria      |
|             | Frater Lake              | 59   |          | spot check, shore             | none                   |
|             | Half Moon Lake           | 62   |          | north end                     | none                   |
|             | Little Spokane River     | 55   | 8/2/94   | at Fertile Valley Rd crossing | M. spicatum            |
|             |                          |      | 8/2/94   | at Haworth Rd crossing        | none                   |
|             | Marshall Lake            | 62   | 8/1/94   | 3 sites, mostly at inlets     | none                   |
|             | Mill Lake                | 62   | 08/01/96 | 2 sites, shore                | none                   |
|             | Nile Lake                | 62   | 08/01/96 | spot check, shore             | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
|             | Pend Oreille River       | 62   | 08/01/96 | spot check, shore             | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
|             | Sacheen Lake             | 55   | 8/2/94   | 3 sites, covered entire shore | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
|             |                          |      |          |                               | Lythrum salicaria      |
|             | Skookum Lake, North      | 62   | 07/31/96 | spot check, shore             | none                   |
|             | Skookum Lake, South      | 62   | 07/31/96 | whole littoral                | none                   |
|             | Sullivan Lake            | 62   | 08/01/96 | north and south, boat         | none                   |
|             | Unnamed Wetland near Usk | 62   | 08/01/96 | shore                         | none                   |
|             |                          |      |          | <del> </del>                  |                        |
| Pierce      | American Lake            | 12   | 10/4/94  | 4 sites                       | none                   |

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|-----------|---------------------------|----|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
|           | Clear Lake                | 11 | 7/21/94  | entire shoreline            | Myriophyllum spicatum       |
|           |                           |    | 06/12/96 | whole littoral              | *                           |
|           | Harts Lake                | 11 | 06/17/96 |                             | Myriophyllum spicatum       |
|           |                           |    | 07/03/96 |                             |                             |
|           | Ohop Lake                 | 11 | 07/25/96 | whole littoral              | Egeria densa                |
|           | Rapjohn Lake              | 11 | 07/25/96 | whole littoral              | none                        |
|           | Silver Lake               | 11 | 06/17/96 | spot check, shore           | none                        |
|           | Spanaway Lake             | 12 | 09/11/96 | whole littoral              | Lythrum salicaria           |
|           | Steilacoom Lake           | 12 | 06/19/96 | spot check, boat            | none                        |
|           | Tanwax Lake               | 11 | 7/21/94  | entire shoreline            | none                        |
|           |                           |    | 09/12/96 | whole littoral              | none                        |
| Skagit    | Beaver Lake               | 3  | 8/25/94  | entire shoreline            | none                        |
|           | Big Lake                  | 3  | 8/23/94  | 3 sites, extreme ends       | Egeria densa                |
|           |                           |    | 8/23/94  | & launch                    | Myriophyllum spicatum       |
|           | Campbell Lake             | 3  | 6/7/94   | entire shoreline            | none                        |
|           |                           |    | 08/13/96 | whole littoral              | Myriophyllum spicatum       |
|           | Clear Lake                | 3  | 8/25/94  | boatramp only               | Myriophyllum spicatum       |
|           | Erie Lake                 | 3  | 8/24/94  | Entire shoreline            | none                        |
|           |                           |    | 08/13/96 | spot check, shore           | none                        |
|           | Everett Lake              | 4  | 08/15/96 | spot check, shore           | none                        |
|           | Heart Lake (35N-01E-36)   | 3  | 08/13/96 | whole littoral              | none                        |
|           | Heart Lake (Fidalgo)      | 3  | 8/24/94  | most of shoreline           | none                        |
|           | McMurray Lake             | 3  | 6/6/94   | entire shoreline            | Myriophyllum spicatum       |
|           |                           |    | 8/23/94  | entire shoreline            |                             |
|           | Sixteen Lake              | 3  | 6/6/94   | entire shoreline            | Myriophyllum spicatum       |
| Snohomish | Goodwin Lake              | 7  | 6/20/95  | 3 sites, littoral survey    | Myriophyllum spicatum       |
|           | Nina Lake                 | 7  | 6/20/95  | 2 sites, from shore         | Myriophyllum aquaticum      |
|           | Roesiger (south arm) Lake | 7  | 8/25/94  | east side, littoral         | none                        |
|           |                           |    | 6/21/95  | spot check, boat            | none                        |
|           |                           |    | 8/29/95  | most of shoreline           | none                        |
|           | Shoecraft Lake            | 7  | 08/15/96 | whole littoral              | Myriophyllum spicatum       |
| Spokane   | Amber Lake                | 34 | 8/5/94   | at boatramp, from shore     | none                        |
|           | Badger Lake               | 34 | 8/5/94   | 2 sites at extreme ends     | none                        |
|           | Chapman Lake              | 34 | 8/24/95  | 3 sites                     | none                        |
|           | Clear Lake                | 43 | 8/4/94   | 4 sites, most of shoreline  | none                        |
|           | Downs Lake                | 34 | 8/3/94   | from shore - one location   | none                        |
|           | Eloika Lake               | 55 | 8/3/94   | 3 sites, missed some places | M. spicatum                 |
|           | Fishtrap Lake             | 43 | 8/4/94   | 3 sites                     | none                        |
|           | Long Lake (reservoir)     | 54 | 8/6/94   | 2 sites near boatlaunch     | Lythrum salicaria           |
|           |                           |    | 8/25/95  | 1 site                      |                             |
|           | Silver Lake               | 34 | 8/4/94   | only at boatramp (closed)   | none                        |
|           |                           |    | 8/24/95  | 2 sites                     | none                        |
|           | Williams Lake             | 34 | 8/5/94   | boatlaunch and south end    | none                        |
| Stevens   | Loon Lake                 | 59 | 09/25/96 | whole littoral              | Myriophyllum spicatum       |
| Γhurston  | Black Lake                | 23 | 7/8/94   | north end                   | none                        |
|           |                           | -  | 4/18/95  | 1 site to test methods      | none                        |
|           | Hicks Lake                | 13 | 5/24/95  | 3 sample sites, shoreline   | none                        |
|           | Lawrence Lake             | 13 | 11/7/95  | spot check from shore       |                             |
|           | Long Lake                 | 14 | 6/6/95   | spot check                  | none  Myriophyllum spicatum |

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|             |                               |    | 9/20/95  | milfoil site                  |                        |
|             |                               |    | 10/18/95 | spot check                    |                        |
|             |                               |    | 11/2/95  | milfoil site                  |                        |
| Wahkiakum   | Columbia River at Cathlamet   | 25 | 8/16/95  | spot check, boat              | Lythrum salicaria      |
|             |                               |    |          |                               | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
|             | Columbia River at Skamokawa   | 25 | 08/08/96 | spot check, boat              | Lythrum salicaria      |
|             | Puget Island Sloughs          | 25 | 5/16/95  | 2 sloughs, from shore         | Egeria densa           |
|             |                               |    |          |                               | Myriophyllum aquaticum |
| Walla Walla | Snake River - Lower           | 33 | 08/20/96 | spot check, boat              | Lythrum salicaria      |
|             |                               |    |          |                               | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
|             | Snake River at Charbonneau    | 33 | 08/19/96 | spot check, boat              | none                   |
|             | Snake River at Fishhook Park  | 33 | 08/19/96 | spot check, boat              | none                   |
|             | Snake River at Ice Harbor Dam | 33 | 08/19/96 | spot check, boat              | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
| Whatcom     | Cain Lake                     | 3  | 08/14/96 | whole littoral                | none                   |
|             | Terrell Lake                  | 1  | 08/14/96 | whole littoral                | Lythrum salicaria      |
|             | Whatcom Lake                  | 1  | 6/21/95  | 3 sites, littoral, west basin | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
|             | Wiser Lake                    | 1  | 08/14/96 | spot check, shore             | none                   |
| Whitman     | Rock Lake                     | 34 | 8/5/94   | south boatramp, from shore    | none                   |
| Yakima      | Giffin Lake                   | 37 | 7/19/95  | from shore                    | none                   |
|             | Morgan Lake                   | 37 | 7/19/95  | spot check, from shore        | none                   |
|             | pond nr hwy 12                | 37 | 8/8/94   | one spot, from shore          | none                   |
|             | Unnamed pond (14N-19E-31)     | 39 | 7/18/95  | spot check, from shore        | none                   |
|             | Unnamed Ponds (12N-19E-20)    | 37 | 7/18/95  | spot check, from shore        | Myriophyllum spicatum  |
|             | Yakima River                  | 37 | 8/8/94   | from Selah to Arboretum       | Lythrum salicaria      |
|             |                               |    | 9/27/94  | Arboretum to Union Gap        | Lythrum salicaria      |
|             |                               |    | 7/19/95  | Mabton Bridge                 | none                   |

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