Elodea

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STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS!

Stop the transport of nuisance species. Clean all recreational equipment.
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plants.alaska.gov/invasives/elodea.htm

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Known Locations of Elodea in Alaska

Fairbanks:
- Chena River
- Chena Slough
- Chena Lake

Cordova:
- Eyak Lake
- Alaganik Slough
- McKinley Lake
- Martin Lakes

Kenai:
- Stormy Lake
- Daniels Lake
- Beck Lake

Anchorage:
- Little Campbell
- Sand Lake
- Delong Lake

Potential Impacts
- Degrades fish habitat & displaces native flora & fauna.
- Makes boat travel difficult & reduces recreation opportunities.
- Fouls float plane rudders.
- Alters freshwater habitats by decreasing flow & increasing sedimentation.
- Reduces value of waterfront property & may financially impact businesses associated with water related activities.
- Broken segments can travel long distances & form new plants.
- It can survive harsh winters under ice.

Identify
- Leaves in whorls of 3 or 4
- Stem is a lighter green than the leaves & grow in a tangled mass