

ELODEA

spread the word,
not the weed!



Elodea is a highly invasive submerged aquatic plant. It survives freezing & spreads by tiny fragments introduced by float planes, boats, trailers, school/home aquariums, and equipment.

It is not native to Alaska.

We DON'T want *Elodea* in Alaska

- **Safety:** fouls float plane rudders & boat propellers
- **Nuisance:** impedes boat & float plane launching, navigation, & fishing
- **Ecological:** degrades salmon spawning habitat
- **Economic:** reduces property values by fouling launch sites/habitats as well as recreational value of fly-in hunting and fishing sites

Float Plane Operators—Alaska Needs Your Help!

Inspect & clean your aircraft before every flight

- Before entering the aircraft remove visible plants and/or debris and pump water from floats
- Before takeoff don't taxi through heavy plant growth; raise and lower rudders
- After takeoff raise and lower rudders to free plant fragments over the waters you just left or dry land

Report sightings & help identify new infestations

- Note location (GPS or mark on map) and water depth/clarity
- Take a photo of the plant
- Call Alaska DNR at 907-745-8721 to report sightings!
- AND call JBER Natural Resources at 907-384-3913
- Report sightings online to Alaska Department of Fish & Game

Support eradication efforts!



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For more information, visit Alaska Department of Natural Resources at <http://plants.alaska.gov/invasives/elodea.htm>