

Minnesota Biological Survey
List of Plant Species Observed at
Cotton Lake



Lake Number: 03028600 Survey Date: 8/17/2005
County: Becker T: 140N R: 40W Sec: 36
Major/Minor Watersheds: Otter Tail River/From Cotton Lake
Located 9 miles northeast of the town of Detroit Lakes.
Area surveyed: northeast shore of the lake.

Submersed Plants (Plants with most leaves growing beneath the water surface)

*% <i>Alisma gramineum</i>	Grass-like Water Plantain
<i>Ceratophyllum demersum</i>	Coontail
<i>Elodea canadensis</i>	Canadian waterweed
<i>Heteranthera dubia</i>	Water Stargrass, Mud Plantain
<i>Myriophyllum sibiricum</i>	Northern Watermilfoil
<i>Najas flexilis</i>	Bushy Pondweed, Common Naiad
<i>Potamogeton friesii</i>	Fries' Pondweed
<i>Potamogeton richardsonii</i>	Claspingleaf Pondweed

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<i>cf Potamogeton strictifolius</i>	Straightleaved Pondweed
<i>Potamogeton zosteriformis</i>	Flatstem Pondweed
* <i>Stuckenia pectinata</i>	Common Sago Pondweed
<i>Utricularia vulgaris</i>	Greater bladderwort

Floating-leaf Plants (Plants with leaves that float on the water surface)

<i>Potamogeton gramineus</i>	Variable Pondweed
<i>Potamogeton natans</i>	Floating Leaf Pondweed
<i>Sagittaria cuneata</i>	Floating Leaf Arrowhead

Emergent Plants (Plants with leaves extending above the water surface)

<i>Phragmites australis</i>	Common reed grass, Cane
<i>Sagittaria sp.</i>	Arrowhead
<i>Typha angustifolia</i>	Narrow-leaved cat-tail

Shoreline Plants (Plants associated with the wetland habitat)

<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>	Swamp milkweed
<i>Eleocharis acicularis</i>	Needle Spike-rush
<i>Impatiens capensis</i>	Jewelweed, Spotted touch-me-not
<i>Persicaria lapathifolia</i>	Nodding smartweed
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	Reed canary grass
<i>Salix sp.</i>	Willow

* specimen to be deposited at University of Minnesota Herbarium
% occurrence recorded in Natural Heritage Rare Features Database