

Minnesota Biological Survey  
List of Plant Species Observed at  
Elbow Lake



Lake Number: 69074400 Survey Date: 8/27/2014  
County: St. Louis T: 64N R: 18W Sec: 14  
Major/Minor Watersheds: Vermilion River/Elbow Lake  
Located 35 miles north of the town of Virginia, MN.  
Area Surveyed: northwest shore of the lake

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

<i>Ceratophyllum demersum</i>	Coontail
*% <i>Ceratophyllum echinatum</i>	Soft Coontail, Spiny Hornwort
<i>Isoetes echinospora</i>	Braun's quillwort
<i>Juncus pelocarpus</i> form <i>submersus</i>	Submersed Brown-fruited Rush
<i>Myriophyllum sibiricum</i>	Northern Watermilfoil
<i>Najas flexilis</i>	Bushy Pondweed, Common Naiad
<i>Potamogeton foliosus</i> ssp. <i>foliosus</i>	Leafy Pondweed
<i>Potamogeton pusillus</i>	Very Small Pondweed

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<i>Utricularia intermedia</i>	Intermediate bladderwort
<i>Utricularia vulgaris</i>	Greater bladderwort
<i>Vallisneria americana</i>	Wild Celery, Eel-grass

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

<i>Brasenia schreberi</i>	Water shield
<i>Callitriche palustris</i>	Marsh Water Starwort
<i>Potamogeton natans</i>	Floating Leaf Pondweed
<i>Potamogeton spirillus</i>	Snailseed Pondweed

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

<i>Dulichium arundinaceum</i>	Three-way sedge
<i>Eleocharis erythropoda</i>	Bald spikerush
<i>Eleocharis palustris</i>	Small's Spikerush
<i>Glyceria borealis</i>	Northern manna grass
<i>Glyceria canadensis</i>	Rattlesnake grass
<i>Sagittaria latifolia</i>	Broad-leaved Arrowhead
<i>Sagittaria rigida</i>	Stiff Wapato, Sessile-fruited
<i>Schoenoplectus subterminalis</i>	Subterminally Fruited Bulrush
<i>Typha latifolia</i>	Broad-leaved cattail

***Shoreline Plants (Plants associated with the wetland habitat)***

<i>Alnus incana</i> ssp. <i>rugosa</i>	Speckled alder
<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>	Blue-joint
<i>Chamaedaphne calyculata</i>	Leather-leaf
<i>Cornus sericea</i>	Red-osier dogwood
<i>Eleocharis acicularis</i>	Needle Spike-rush
<i>Eleocharis intermedia</i>	Intermediate Spikerush
<i>Ilex verticillata</i>	Winterberry, black alder
<i>Iris versicolor</i>	Blue Flag
<i>Juncus tenuis</i>	Path rush
<i>Lysimachia terrestris</i>	Swamp Candles, Loosestrife
<i>Myrica gale</i>	Sweet gale
<i>Salix</i> sp.	Willow
<i>Scirpus atrovirens</i>	Dark-green Bulrush
<i>Scirpus cyperinus</i>	Wool-grass
<i>Sonchus</i> sp.	Sow-Thistle
<i>Spiraea alba</i>	Meadowsweet

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*Triadenum fraseri*

Marsh St. John's-wort

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