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I kill hemlock trees.

I Take Resources From:

- Hemlock trees
- Birds
- Salamanders
- Stream/River Fish (salmon, trout...)

*If you are one of these species
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Pair with invasive emerald ash borer and wildlife cards



Typical ash leaf



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- I provide food and shelter for wildlife, such as birds, deer, squirrels & chipmunks. ***These species also lose a resource chip when emerald ash borer is present.***
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I Take Resources From:

- Ash Trees
- Birds
- Squirrels, chipmunks, deer, racoons

If you are one of these species you lose a resource chip.

- I am easily spread by the movement of infested wood.
- **Signs of my presence:** woodpecker damage on ash trees, loss of leaves or yellowing of leaves in the summer, D-shaped exit holes in bark.



Pair with ash tree and wildlife cards.
Show specimen if available



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I am a Maple Tree (A Native Species)



Pair with Asian longhorned
beetle and wildlife cards

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- I produce maple syrup and am famous for my beautiful leaf color in the fall.

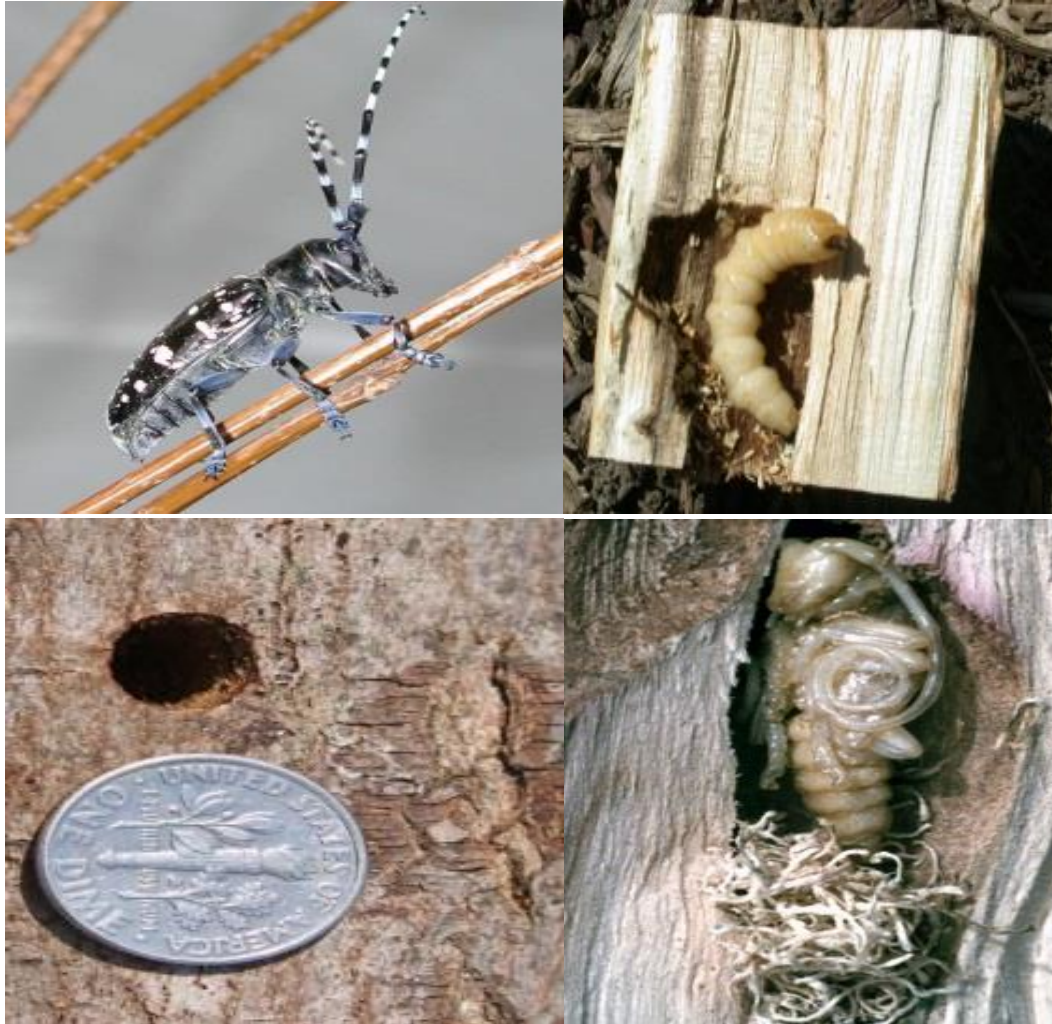
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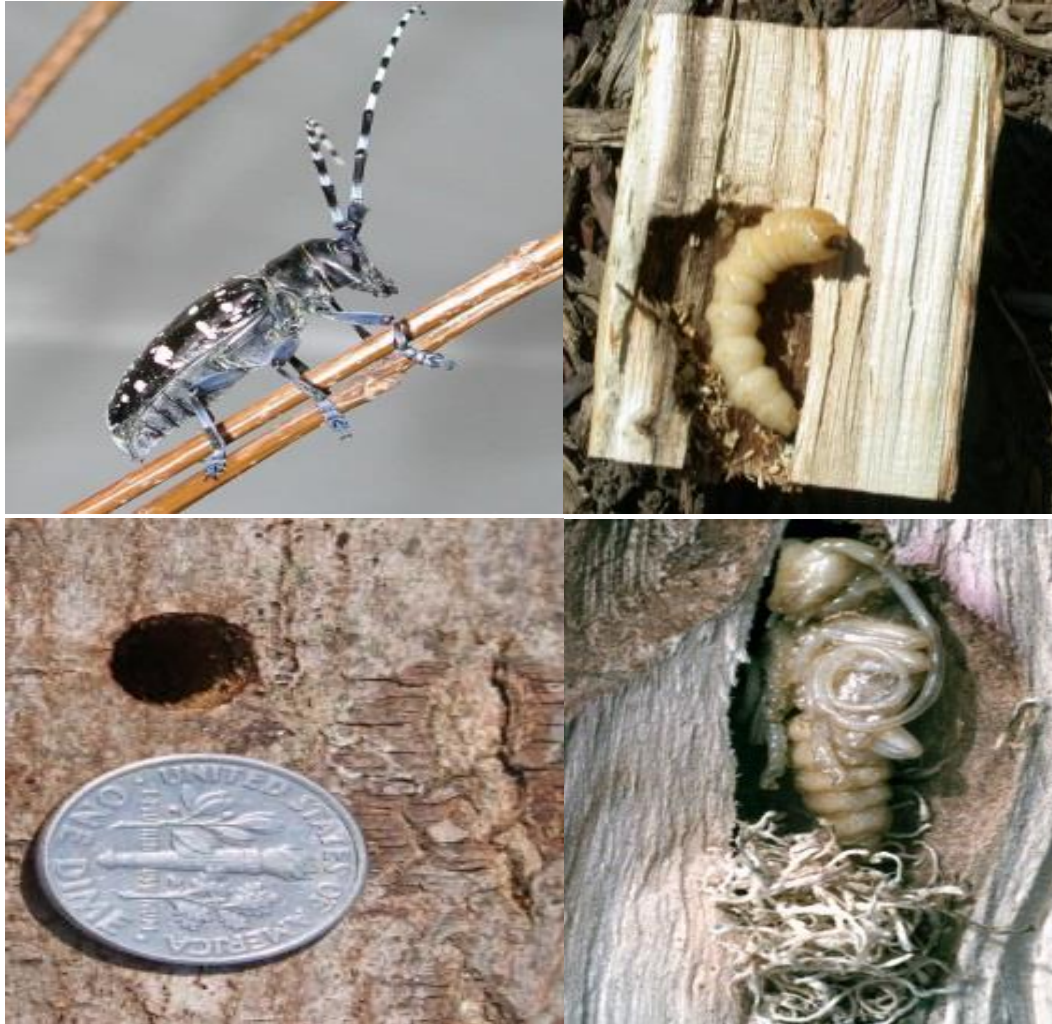
- I am an invasive wood boring insect that is native to Asia. I kill hardwood trees, such as maple.

I Take Resources From:

- **Maple, Ash** and other hardwood trees
 - **Wildlife** such as: birds, deer, squirrels, chipmunks & raccoons
- If you are one of these species you lose a resource chip.*

- I am easily spread by infested wood.
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Large Game-Fish (Native Species)



Atlantic Salmon



Brown Trout

- I am an important native sportfish and predator.

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- **Sea lamprey** which suck my blood
- **Round Goby** which eat my fish eggs
- **Zebra/Quagga mussels** which eat the food of my prey
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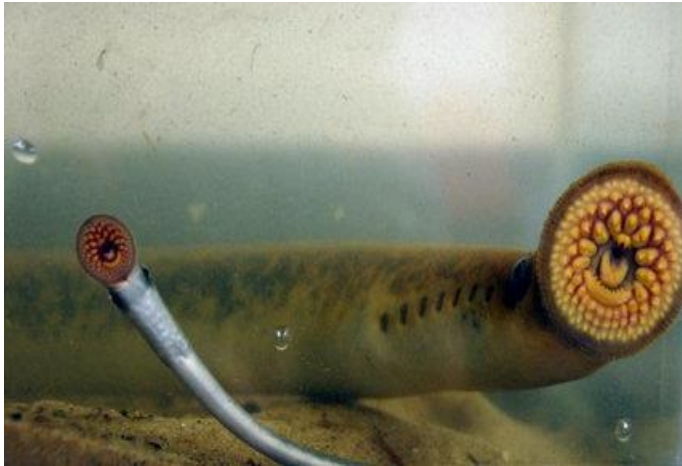
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I am a Sea Lamprey **(an invasive species)**



- **I am a blood sucking invasive fish native to the Atlantic Ocean**

I take resources from:

- **Native Fish (salmon, trout, walleye, perch, bass...)**

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Pair with fish cards/show specimen if available

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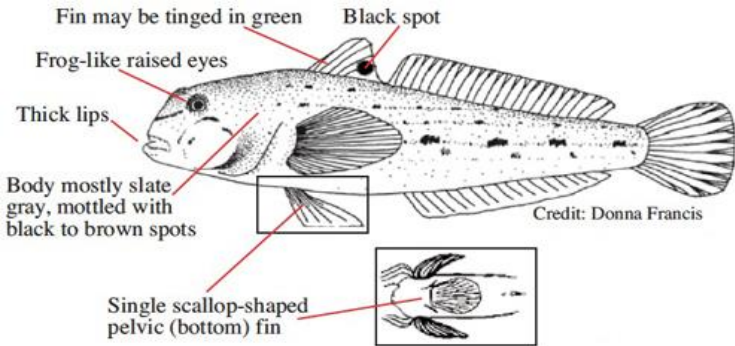
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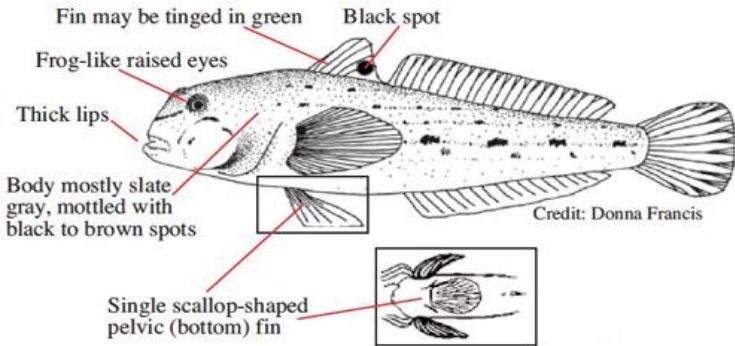
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Popular Sport Fish (Native Species)



Smallmouth Bass



Perch



Walleye

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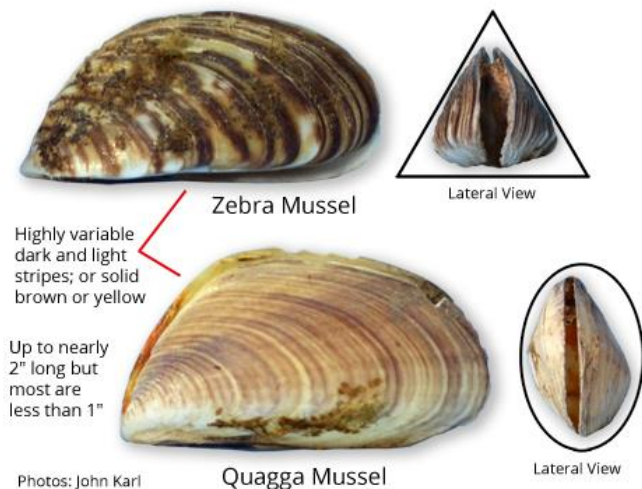
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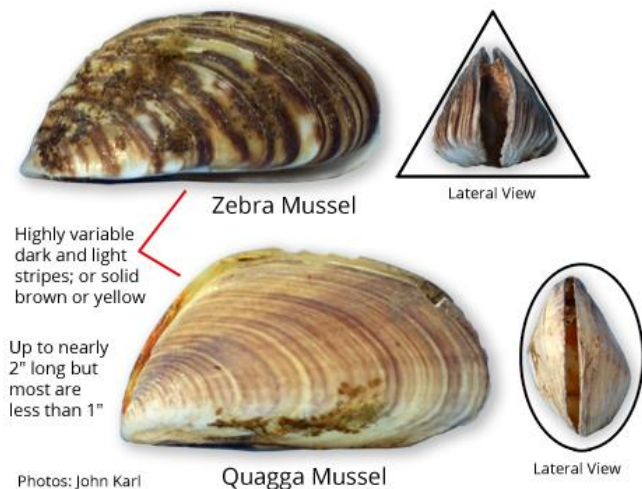
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 - Phytoplankton
 - I can also make fish that eat me sick because I can spread a bacterial infection called Botulism
- If you are one of these species you lose a resource chip.*
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Pair with plankton, round goby, fish cards. Show specimen if available



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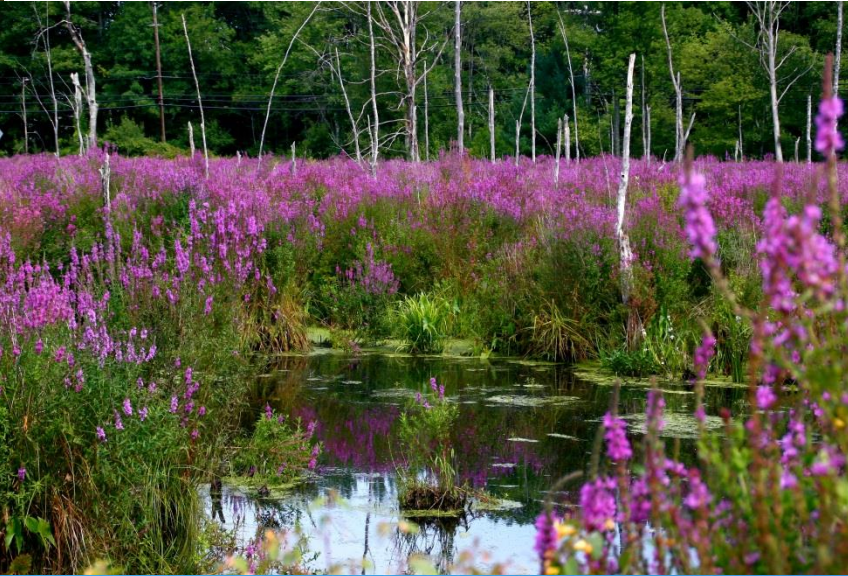
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I am Purple Loosestrife (an invasive species)



- I'm an invasive plant that invades wetlands

I take resources from:

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- Red winged black birds
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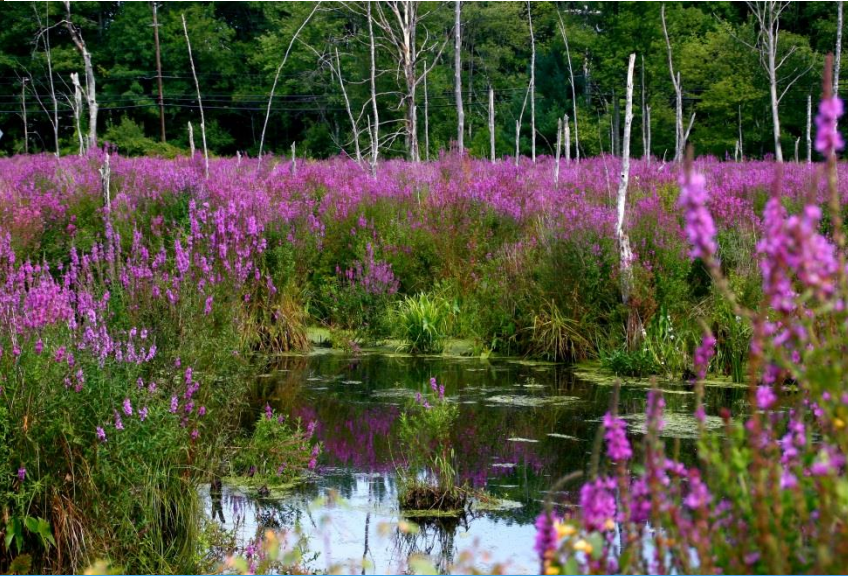
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Pair with purple loosestrife, mallards,
redwing black birds, amphibians/reptiles
cards

- I am a native wetland plant
- Invasive purple loosestrife can outcompete me for resources. *I lose a resource chip when it is in my habitat.*
- I protect inland areas from storm surges and provide resources for **redwing black birds, mallards, amphibians, reptiles.** *These species also lose a resource chip when purple loosestrife enters our habitat.*

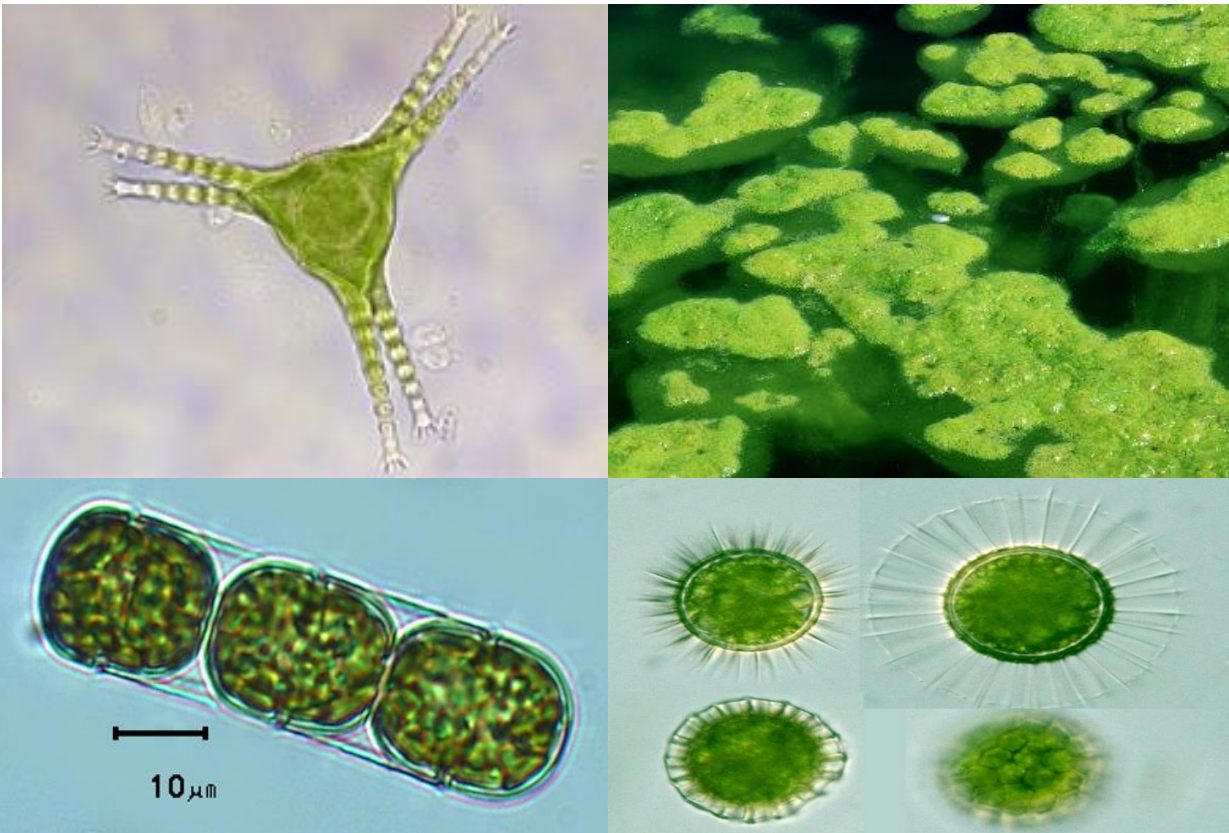
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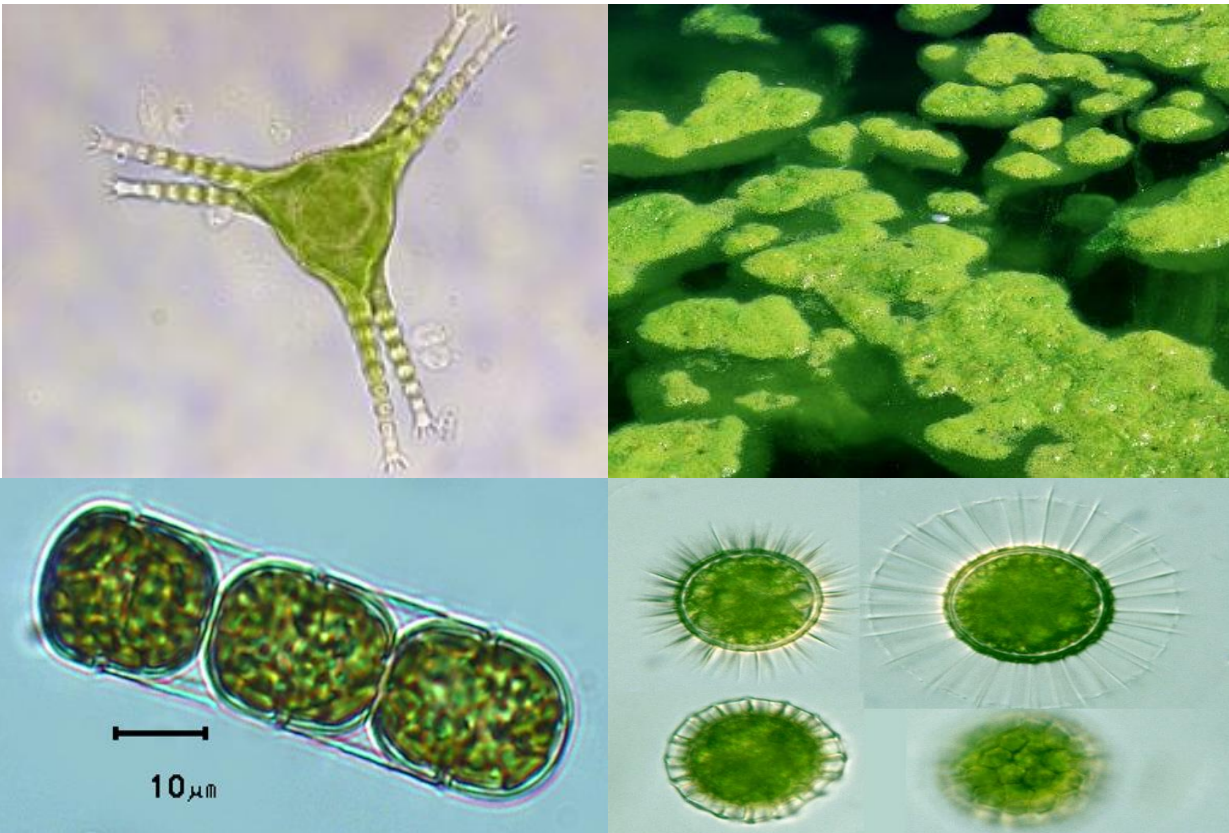
I am Phytoplankton (A Native Species)



- I am a native aquatic microscopic algae
- **Zebra/quagga mussels** reduce my populations
- I use sunlight to make energy and am a major food source for aquatic animals.
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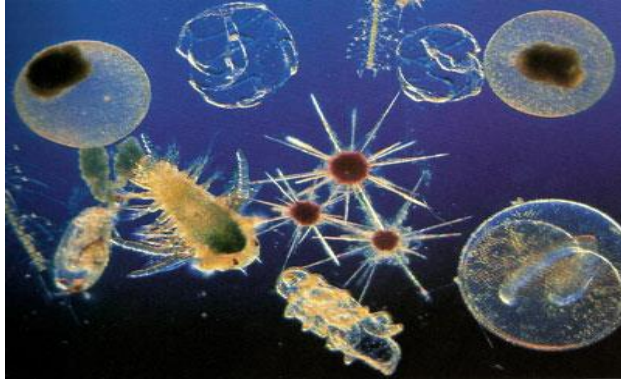
I am zooplankton (A Native Species)



- I am a form of plankton consisting of very small aquatic animals
- **Zebra mussels reduce my populations**
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I am a Red-winged Black Bird (Native Species)



Pair with purple loosestrife

- I am a native bird that lives in freshwater wetlands and marshes
- Invasive species Purple Loosestrife take resources from me. *I lose a resource chip when they are in my habitat.*
- I like to use cattails to make my nest. And hunt for food in wetland habitats.

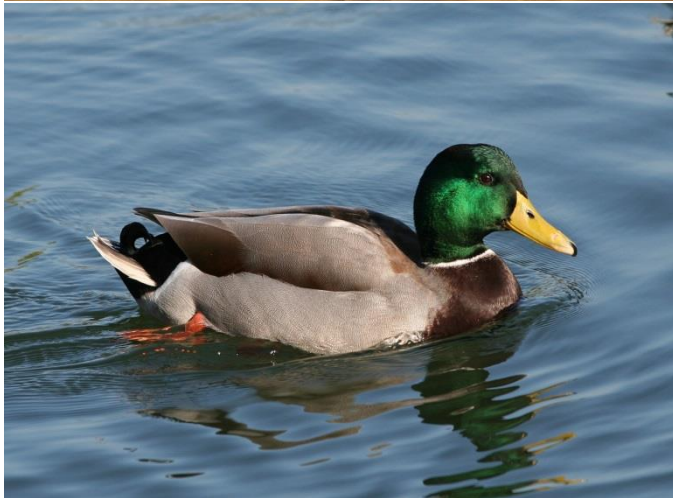
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I am a mallard (Native Species)



- I'm a native duck.
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I am a water chestnut (an invasive species)



Source: Roberta Hill, VLMP © 2007



Pair with native aquatic plants & fish

- I am an invasive aquatic plant.

I take resources from:

- **Native aquatic plants-** because I outcompete them
- **Native fish-** because I take away their habitat

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- I'm easily spread by boats and boat trailers.

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Elodea



Water Lilly



Pickerel weed



Coonetail

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Native Woodland Wildlife (Native Species)

Grey Squirrel



Chipmunk



- We are native species
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Native Amphibians/Reptiles (Native Species)

- We are native species



Red-backed Salamander



Leopard Frog



Black-Rat Snake

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Painted Turtle

- **Invasive hemlock woolly adelgid** kills hemlock trees that keep our habitat cool
- **Invasive Emerald Ash borer** kills ash trees which are part of our habitat
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Pale & Black Swallow Worts

(Invasive Species)



Pair with monarch butterfly/pollinators & native birds, wildlife, reptiles/amphibians

- **We are invasive plants**
- **I outcompete native plants such as milk weed which impacts pollinator populations & other wildlife. I am also toxic to livestock.**

I take resources from:

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- Native birds & animals that rely on the plants I outcompete (squirrels, racoons, deer, amphibians...)

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Monarch Butterfly & Other Pollinators (Native Species)

Monarch Butterfly
and bumble bee



Pollen Beetle



Sweet Bee



Pandorus
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Moth



Painted Lady Butterfly



Pair with invasive swallow-worts & native
birds, wildlife, reptiles/amphibians

- We are native species
- We pollinate flowers, many food crops and other plants. We are also a source of food for predatory insects and some animals such as frogs and other amphibians.
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Japanese Knotweed (Invasive Species)



- I'm an invasive species
- I outcompete native plants and take away habitat for pollinators and other wildlife. I like to grow along streams replacing plants that provide shade which impacts fish populations that need cool water to survive.

I take resources from:

- Pollinators
- Wildlife (squirrels, deer, amphibians, reptiles...)
- Fish

I'm easily spread if my branches are broken off.



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Native Plants (Native Species)



Native milkweed attracting butterfly's



Stream-side vegetation

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Wildflowers

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