

NOT WANTED!

Flowering Rush

Butomus umbellatus

EARLY DETECTION & CONTROL WILL PREVENT INFESTATIONS!



Infestation



Flowering head (Umbel)



Flower detail

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Flowering Rush (perennial) spreads by seeds, rhizomes (underground stems) and bulb-lets which may float to new areas when disturbed by boat traffic, ice movements, and animals. Flowering rush is a prohibited invasive species in Minnesota, which means it is unlawful (a misdemeanor) to possess, import, purchase, transport or introduce this species except under a permit for disposal, control, research or education.

Identifying Characteristics:

- **Leaves** are sword-like. Both leaves and stems are triangular in cross-section.
- **Height** 1 to 4 feet, may emerge above water
- **Flowers** three pink petals and three sepals arranged in clusters or umbels (umbrella shaped) on a flower stalk. Flowers typically bloom in June through early fall.
- **Habitat.** Plants grow along shorelines and in water up to six feet deep. They can also grow completely submerged in deeper water.

If found in

RAMSEY COUNTY

1 Take pictures and notes.

Please include the location's address, description of the surroundings, and GPS coordinates, if possible.

2 Report by **app**

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or phone

651-266-7277