## STOP THE SPREAD



HYBRID CATTAIL CAN COMPETE BETTER THAN ITS PARENT SPECIES. IT REDUCES NATIVE PLANT BIODIVERSITY AND FORMS LARGE POPULATIONS.

## **Origin**

Hybrid cattail results when native broad-leaved cattail and non-native narrow-leaved cattail reproduce with each other.

Impacts



Eliminates habitat and species diversity. Reduces and replaces native plants important for waterfowl and wildlife.

Where to Look
Found in wetlands, wet
meadows, streams, river
banks, ditches, and lake
shores. Hybrid cattails invade
farm ponds, irrigation canals, and drainage ditches.

Report a Sighting:



**Narrow-leaved Cattail** (non-native)

**♦Leaves are 4 to 10mm wide.** 

**OMale** and female parts of the flower spike are usually greater than 3cm apart.

**Broad-leaved Cattail (native)** 

**OMale** and female parts of the flower spike are usually very close together.

**♦**Leaves are 14 to 23mm wide.



**Hybrid Cattail** 

**OLeaves** grow taller than the flower spikes.

OLeaves are 10 to 14mm wide.



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