

CHINESE MYSTERYSNAIL

Invasive Species Alert!

IMPACTS OF THE CHINESE MYSTERYSNAIL

Chinese Mysterysnails are thought to have spread from aquarium and live food market releases. They are a concern because they:



rapidly reproduce and spread
making it difficult to eradicate them;



harm native snails
by outcompeting them for habitat and food, thereby reducing their abundance;



spread diseases and parasites
to native snails, fish and waterfowl;



threaten fish recruitment rates
by preying on fish eggs, thereby reducing survival rates;



block water-intake pipes
causing socio-economic impacts and



are resistant to predation.



Dan Nydam

IDENTIFICATION

- ✓ Brownish to olive-green shell.
- ✓ 6 to 7 spherical shoulder whorls separated by prominent sutures.
- ✓ Usually 65 mm or less.
- ✓ Operculum is oblong with concentric growth lines resembling a "trapdoor".

REPORT



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Report Chinese Mysterysnail sightings on-line or through the

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