

Letter from the Editor

This issue of the Journal of the Aquatic Plant Management Society is dedicated to papers presented at a special session during the Annual Meeting of the Aquatic Plant Management Society on 12 to 15 July 1998 in Memphis, TN. The title of this session was "The Use of Native Insect Herbivores for the Management of Eurasian Watermilfoil." The goals of this session were to review the research done to date on native insects that feed on Eurasian watermilfoil, and bridge the gap to make the use of native insects an effective ecologically-based management tool for Eurasian watermilfoil. Our goal was to share information on efforts in research,

insect-plant interactions, management, regulation and production to turn the use of native insects into a realistic management tool.

In addition to the seven presented papers, the final paper presents a summary of a panel discussion on the regulatory concerns and future prospects for the use of native insect biological control agents on Eurasian watermilfoil and a question-and-answer period that concluded the special session.

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