

Cyperus alopecuroides

FOXTAIL FLATSEEDGE

Cyperaceae

Common Synonyms: *none*

FLEPPC Category: -

FDACS Listed Noxious Weed: No

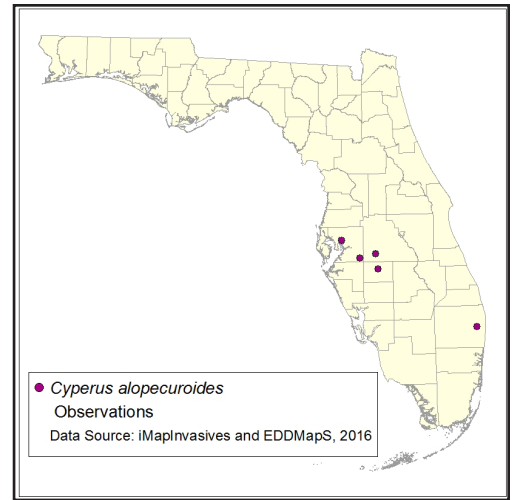
IFAS Assessment

North -
Central -
South -

USDA Hardiness Zone: N/A

Growth Habit: Graminoid

Origin: Old and New World tropics



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Description: Large, perennial, rhizomatous, sedge. Culms triangular and glabrous to 3.5 m tall. Leaves broad to 1.5 m tall, margins serrated and sharp. Inflorescence branched with densely clustered spikes (golden brown) surrounded by broad bracts up to 2 m long. Flowers in summer. Achenes dark brown, sessile, biconvex with 2 stigmas.

Habitat: Wet disturbed sites

Comments: IFAS notes: "rarely found in wet, disturbed sites in Hillsborough, Polk, and Hardee counties".

Florida Introduction Date: 1996

Control Methods:

No specific recommendations available, herbaceous plants can generally be treated with foliar application of glyphosate.
**Follow herbicide labels: Only herbicides registered for application in water by EPA and FDACS may be applied to weeds growing in or near water.

Useful Resources:

Flora of North America Editorial Committee, eds. 1993+. Flora of North America North of Mexico. 16+ vols. New York and Oxford.

IFAS, Center for Aquatic and Invasive Plants. 2013. Foxtail flatsedge. <http://plants.ifas.ufl.edu/node/117>. Accessed on December 6, 2013.