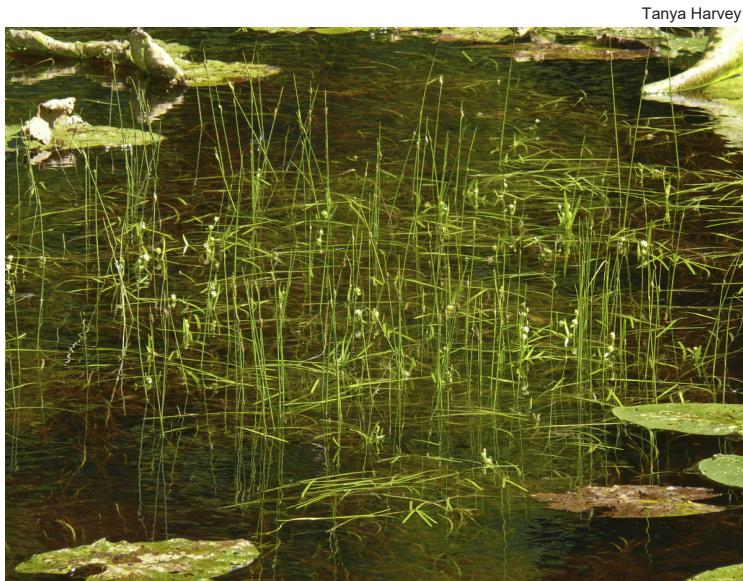


Schoenoplectus subterminalis

Cyperaceae
Water clubrush

Robert L. Carr



best survey times
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Stems and leaves limp, floating;
those in flower often erect

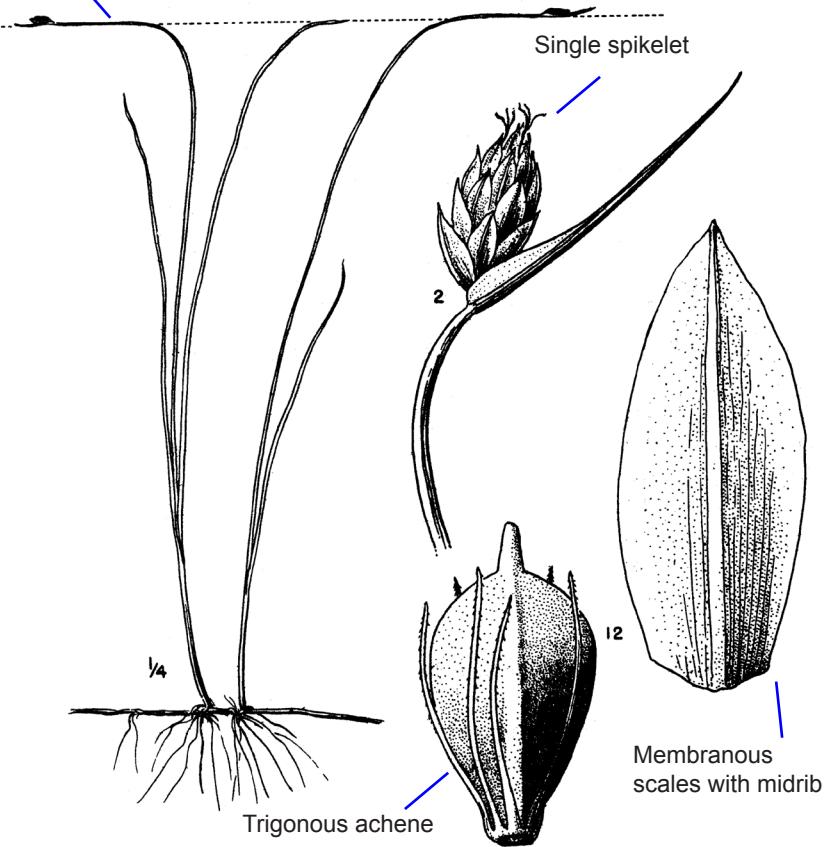


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Plant is a rhizomatous, aquatic perennial, with stems and leaves usually floating, occasionally terrestrial, emergent, and erect. **Stems** subterete, flaccid, 20-80 cm long; flowering stems often erect. **Leaves** slender, elongate, and flaccid. **Inflorescence** of a single spikelet. Spikelet light brown, 7-12 mm long, subtended by a prominent bract (1)1.5-6 cm long which appears like a continuation of the stem; scales 4-6 mm long, very thin and almost hyaline except for the somewhat firmer midrib; hypogynous bristles retrorsely barbellate, shorter than to occasionally equaling or slightly exceeding the achene. **Fruits** trigonous achenes 2.5-3.8 mm long (including the beak); beaks slender, ca. 0.5 mm long.

Lookalikes
Vallisneria americana
Juncus supiniformis

differs from featured plant by
its much broader leaves
its terminal clusters of flowers.

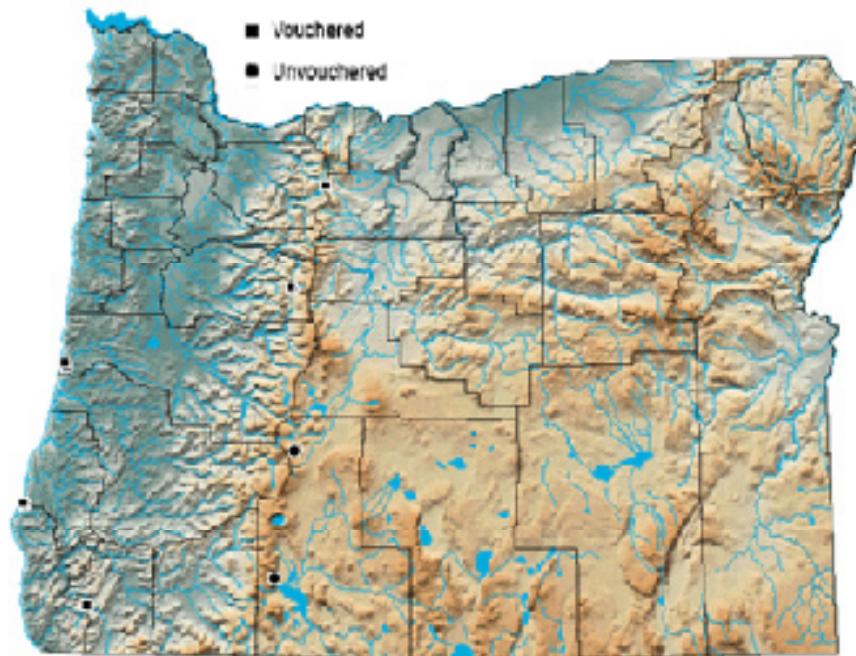
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(Torr.) Soják

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Distribution: Southern coast, Cascade Mountains; Washington; Alaska; Idaho; Montana; Utah; California; eastern United States and Canada.

Habitat: Aquatic, shallow ponds, streams or standing water with mucky substrate.

Elevation: 0—1100 m

Best survey time(in flower): late June-August

Associated species:

Carex vesicaria (Inflated sedge)

Carex aquatilis (Water sedge)

Carex echinata (Star sedge)

Carex limosa (Mud sedge)

Carex canescens (Silvery sedge)

Menyanthes trifoliata (Bogbean)

Juncus balticus (Baltic rush)

Comarum palustre (Marsh cinquefoil, Purple cinquefoil)

Senecio triangularis (Arrowleaf ragwort)

Lycopus uniflorus (Northern bugleweed)



1 cm



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