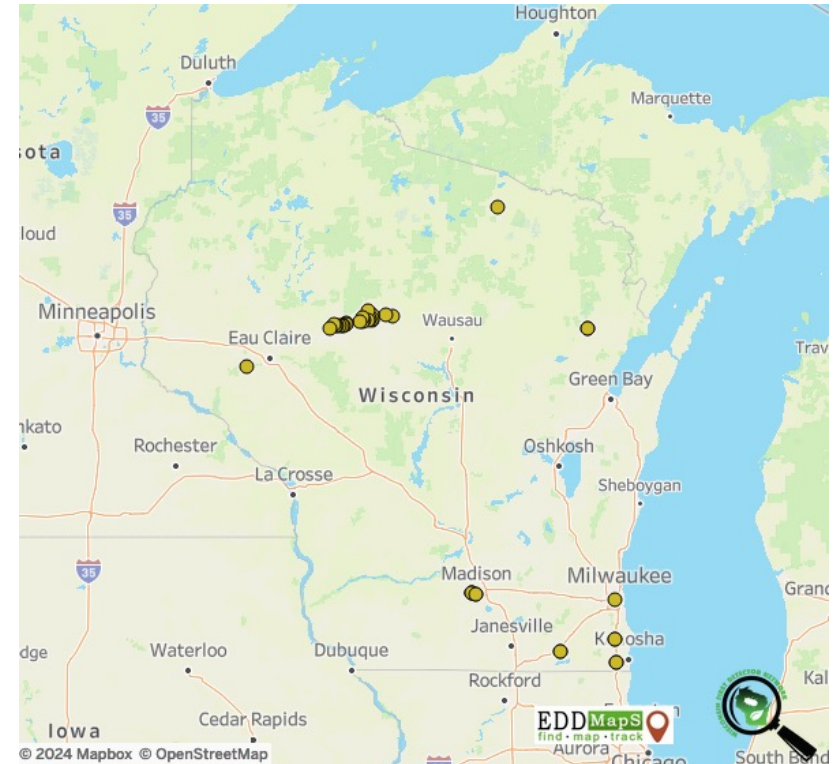


Garden loosestrife (*Lysimachia vulgaris*)



- Hairy wetland plant with whorled leaves and terminal clusters of yellow flowers
- Habitats it invades:
 - Wetlands
 - Roadsides
- Status
 - Wisconsin: Restricted
 - Not regulated in neighboring states





Garden loosestrife (*Lysimachia vulgaris*)

Leaves whorled, simple

- 2-4" long, lance-shaped
- Leaf margins are entire
- Stems and leaves are hairy
- Lowest leaves may be opposite



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Flower/fruit

- Flowers are yellow, often with an orange center, with 5 fused petals
- Flowers borne in a pyramidal, terminal cluster; July-Aug.
- Fruit is a capsule



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Garden loosestrife look alike

Garden yellow loosestrife (*Lysimachia vulgaris*) is one of several *Lysimachia* species with yellow flowers.



GARDEN LOOSESTRIFE (I) has branching clusters of **cup-shaped flowers** that are bright to golden yellow.

Leaves in **whorls** of 3 or 4, with densely **soft-hairy lower surface**.
Stems are **softly hairy**.



SWAMP CANDLES (*Lysimachia terrestris*) (N) has a looser, spike-like raceme of yellow flowers **with reddish lines down the center of each petal and red dots at the base of each petal**.
Leaves are **opposite** and covered in **tiny dots**.

Stems are **smooth**.
Reddish bulbils that look like caterpillars can form in leaf axils late in the season.



WHORLED LOOSESTRIFE (*Lysimachia quadrifolia*) (N) and other *Lysimachia* spp. have **individual flowers on slender stalks**.