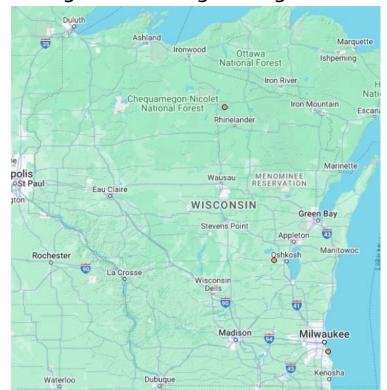
Colt's-foot (Tussilago farfara)





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- Colony-forming herb with large, bicolored leaves that emerge after the flowers
- Habitats it invades:
 - Lakeshores
 - Roadsides
- Status
 - Wisconsin: Prohibited
 - Not regulated in neighboring states



Colt's-foot (Tussilago farfara)



Leaves alternate, simple



- Leaves heart-shaped, 6" wide
- Margins toothed
- · Leaf undersides white
- Leaves develop after the flowers appear



Colt's-foot (Tussilago farfara) Flower/fruit





- Flower heads are yellow, radiate, to ½"
 across
- Flower heads borne before the leaves;
 April-May
- Fruit is hard, small; an achene, with fluff



Colt's-foot look alikes



Colt's-foot (*Tussilago farfara*) somewhat resembles the **invasive** butterfly dock (*Petasites hybridus*) and **invasive** butterbur (*Petasites japonicus*). All three species produce flowers before the leaves, but butterfly dock and butterbur have **white or pinkish flower heads borne in clusters**. The **leaves of both species are green beneath**.



Butterfly dock (Petasites hybridus) (I)

