

Tall hawkweed

Hieracium piloselloides

Asteraceae = Compositae, the sunflower family

Category: EDRR

Background:

- Perennial, introduced from Europe
- Invasive hawkweed that outcompetes native species
- Hawkweed seeds dispersed by wind
- Stolons absent, root buds present
- Found in open fields, meadows, forest clearings, pastures and mesic habitats

Description:

- Dandelion-like heads with yellow, ray (strap-like) flowers
- Flower stalk is long in **open flower clusters**
- Stem leafless
- Leaves smooth or very sparsely hairy
- Milky sap (latex) in stems and leaves



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