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I think the extent of destruction is still an open question, and likely to vary from place to place.

Once infected, the stream pretty much always has it, but might not always show symptoms. Then, when and where conditions are right, you get a "bloom". These blooms are going to vary by stream and even location within a stream, it might be minor in some places, and a continuous mat in others. Even after the bloom ends, the stuff sticks around a few months as it breaks down.

Here's a pic often shown. New Zealand, I think. This would be like the worst bloom ever. I don't think we've really seen this level of devastation locally, yet anyway. In fact, the local places that have it have thus far had very little measurable impact, just a nuisance. But serious outbreaks like this are possible.

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