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Re: Rock Snot Discovered in the Yough

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pwk5017 wrote:

Actually, I seem to have gathered its the opposite, didymo thrive in waters LOW in P. It seems to have a competitive edge over other species in this environment. Who knows, the solution may be to introduce an excess of nutrients into the system to boost other algae species. This could easily backfire and turn into the largest man made algae bloom in history...

I don't think we humans have a really good track record with removing invasive species... We introduce them in the first place; inadvertently, intentionally, ignorantly. Then, we come up with some half-cocked and half-baked ideas on how to eradicate them (by importing their natural enemies, for instance, which are, in and of themselves a NEW invasive species). I'm not saying that the human spirit won't prevail on this one at some point, but its a tough cell to eradicate, and we will probably have multiple missteps along the way. Globalization sure has messed with ecosystems...