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Me too! If sure looks like rock snot to me? Even if you call it by another name, it's algae and it wrecks the fishing? Probably polluted water with high nitrates?

No. The lousy thing about didymo is that it only grows in the best quality water, where there aren't enough nutrients for any other algae to grow. It means it's nuisance in the very places you least want it.

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are you sure about this "steel wool" feel?

Yes. It's a colony of diatoms, and contains spikes of silica. Dried out, it's pretty much the same thing as "diatomaceous earth".