



# *Eleocharis sphacelata*

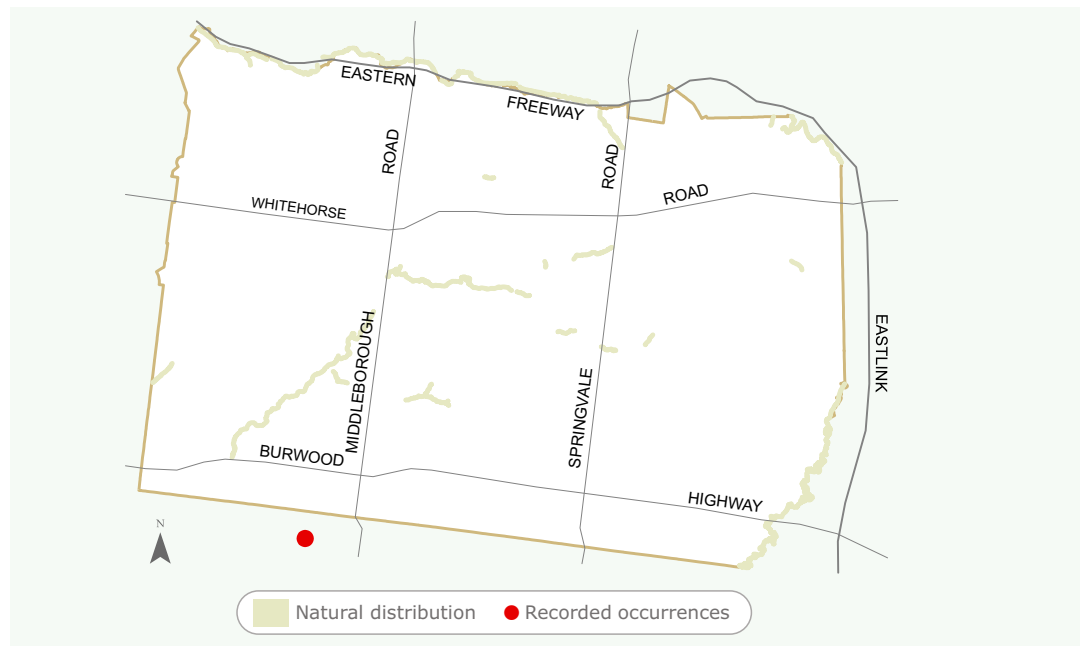
## Tall Spike Rush

<b>Height:</b>	0.5m - 2m
<b>Width:</b>	Up to 2m
<b>Habit:</b>	Vigorous perennial aquatic herb with tufts of foliage along a thick woody underground root system.
<b>Foliage:</b>	Mid to dark green grass-like ribbed stems.
<b>Flowers:</b>	Light green to light brown large cylindrical flowerheads to 6cm long with tiny white flowering spikes. Flowers from November to February.
<b>Requirements:</b>	Boggy soils or in still or slow-moving shallow water. Full or partial sun.
<b>Cultivation &amp; uses:</b>	A hardy aquatic plant, providing habitat and protection for birds, frogs and fish in shallow dams or ponds. May be used to stabilise water edges and banks. Ornamental plant for ponds, but may be too vigorous for small water bodies, becoming invasive.

### Local Distribution:

Map is indicative to the natural distribution of the species based on the best available knowledge.

The natural occurrence of this species is unknown.



### Image:

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'Tall Spike Rush'  
Natural flora of Whitehorse



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