

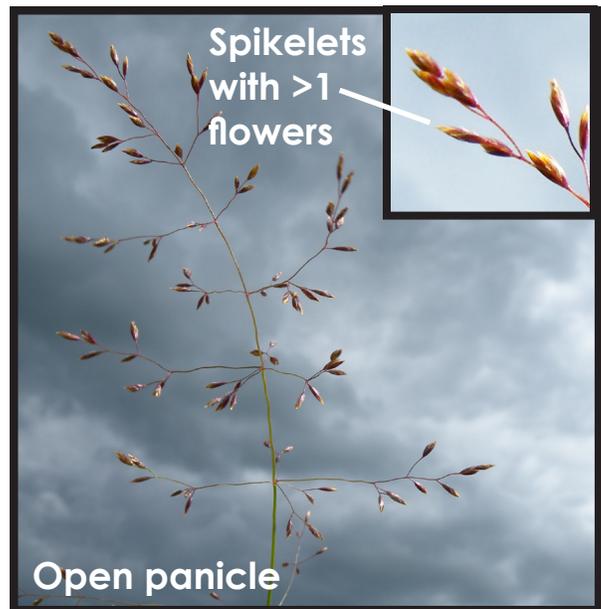
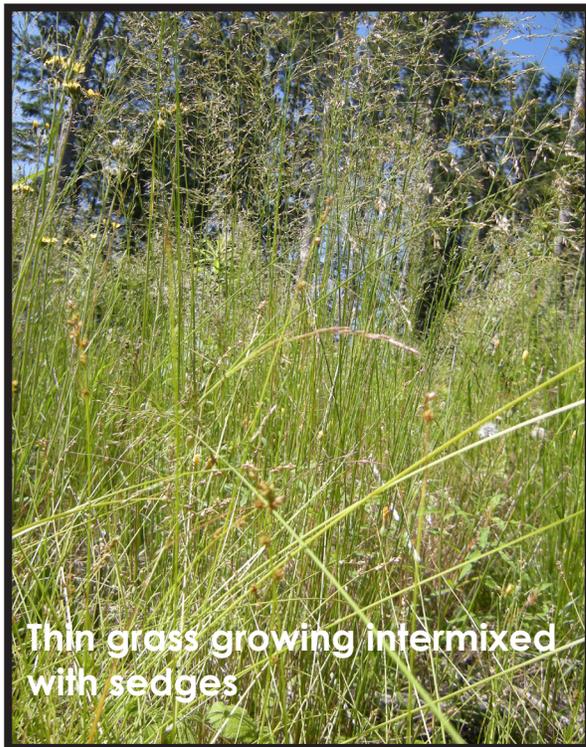
Fowl Bluegrass

Poa palustris

Minnesota C-Value: 5

Wetland Indicator Status: FACW+

Native



Leaves: 7-15 cm long and 1-4 mm wide. Flat, upright to spreading. Leaves have a boat-shaped tip. Ligule reaches 2-5 mm long and is longer than wide.

Stems: 1.5-4.5 ft tall and smooth. Stems may recline at the base and root from lower nodes.

Flowers and fruit: Loosely spreading panicle, 10 - 30 cm long. Narrow when it first emerges from the sheath. Spikelets are 2-5 mm long and 1-2 mm wide. Each spikelet contains 2-4 flowers.

Plant communities: Wet meadows, marshes, streambanks, ditches, low prairies, moist woods.

Comments: Perennial grass. Can be distinguished from Kentucky bluegrass by its lack of rhizomes, open panicle, and conspicuous ligules.

