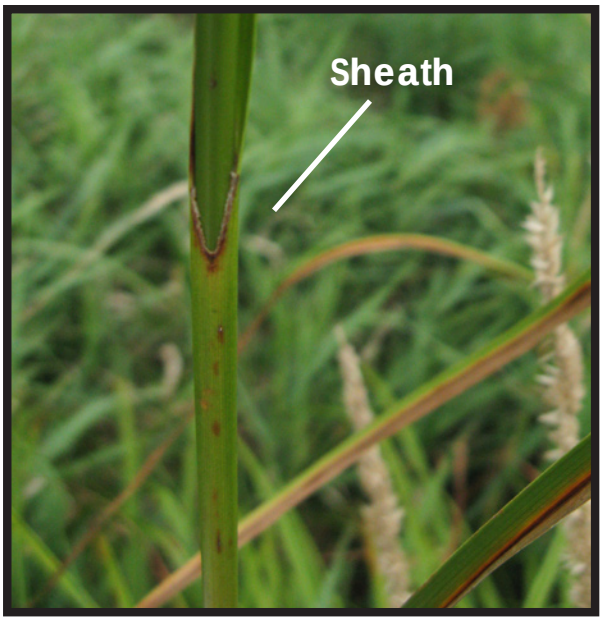
# Woolgrass

*Scirpus cyperinus*

**Minnesota C-Value: 3**
**Wetland Indicator Status: OBL**
**Native**



**Leaves:** Mostly crowded at base of plant, smooth and flat, <13 mm wide. Leaves have rough margins and a reddish brown base.

**Stems:** 3-angled to nearly rounded, erect, smooth, and leafy. Grows up to 2 meters tall.

**Flowers and fruit:** Spikelets numerous, grouped into large, spreading branched heads. Spikelets 3-8 mm long. Three or more bracts found beneath the inflorescence. Spikelets 'wooly' when mature because of elongated bristles. Nodding in appearance.

**Plant communities:** Wet meadows, shallow marshes, fens, wet woods, lake edges, ditches, bog margins.

**Comments:** Perennial bulrush. Flower heads of woolgrass are more open than green bulrush (*S. atrovirens*), which also has a more triangular stem.