

Eleocharis macrostachya

Pale or Common Spikerush



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PERENNIAL HERB

1'-3' high stems, spreads via rhizomes

Erect, green, round stems.

Inconspicuous basal leaves.

Flowers on spike at tip of stem, appear creamy - spring, summer.

Native Habitat: wetlands, vernal pools, fresh to brackish water, < 7000'
- western North America to South America

Full sun

Requires saturated, slow-draining soil.

Can dry out at end of season.

Use in bioswales or edge of ponds.

May spread in wet areas.

