

Invasive Species Alert

Stone Moroko

(*Pseudorasbora parva*)

Not detected in Michigan

Identification:

- Yellowish-green to silver body color
- Approximately 8 cm long
- Superior and transverse mouth
- Pale yellow fins, dorsal fin has darker stripe
- Young individuals have a dark stripe along the side



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Habitat: Prefer well vegetated ponds, small lakes, and small channels

Diet: Small insects, plant material, fish, fish eggs, and planktonic crustaceans

Native Range: East Asia

Local Concern: Stone moroko compete with farmed fish species for food, consume native juvenile fishes, act as a vector for infectious fish diseases, and contribute to eutrophic conditions.

Potential Means of Introduction: Aquaculture release

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