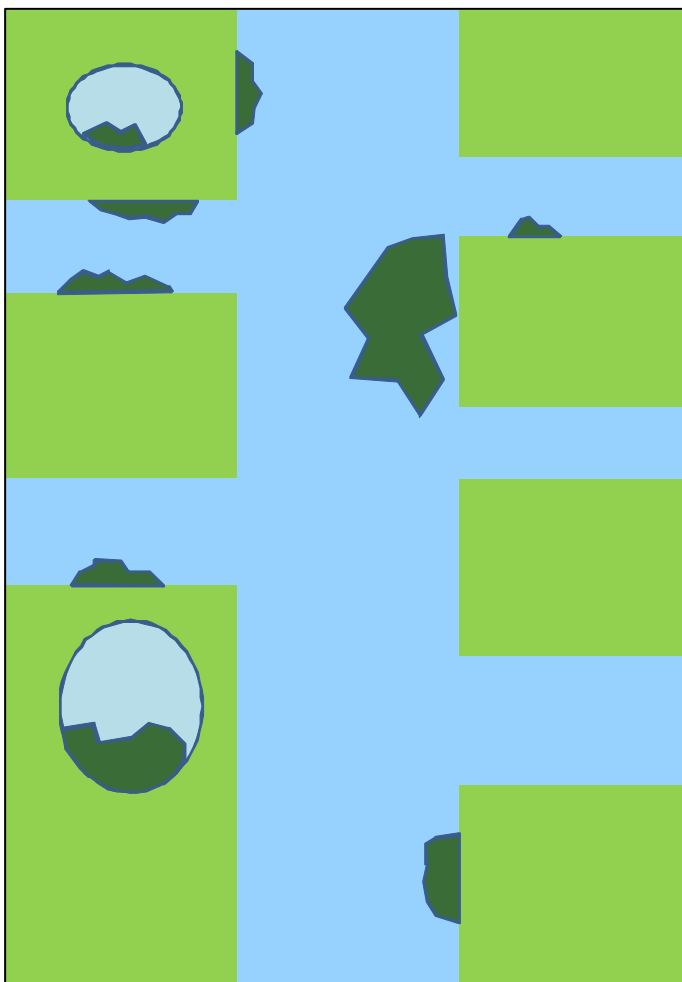
**LOW RISK**

The occurrence is limited to a few square metres at one location.

**ACTION:**

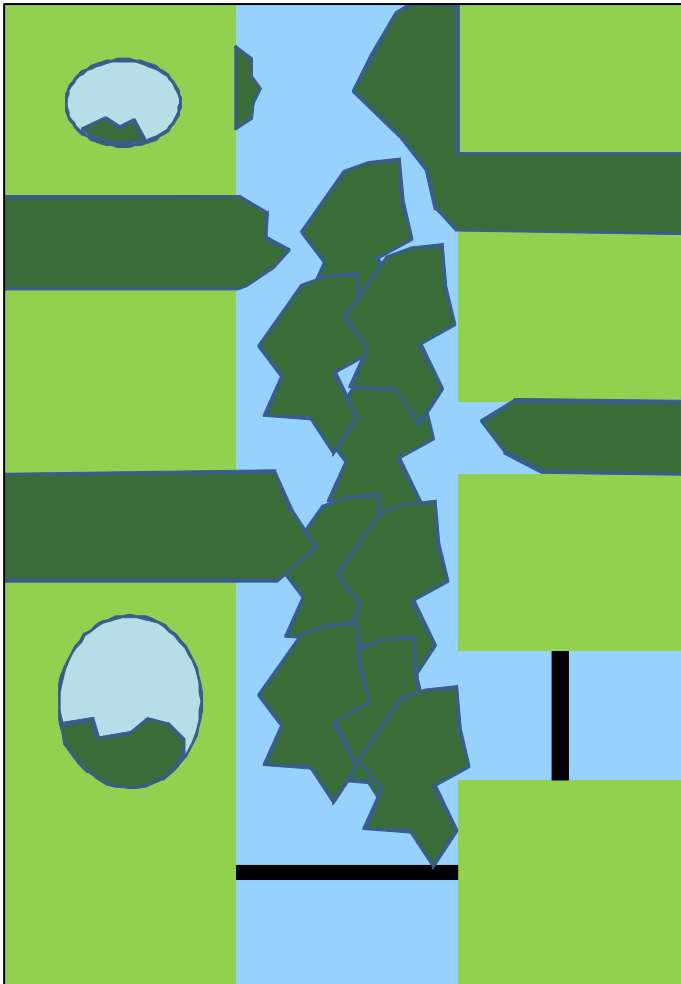
1. Inform appropriate manager, authority, national organisation
2. Arrange for removal by manual / hand picking.
3. Ensure no fragments get out of the side channel into the main river, or spread to nearby ponds.

**MEDIUM RISK**

There are several small patches of less than ten square meters spread within a short distance, but in different parts of the channel and in nearby ponds.

**ACTION:**

1. Inform appropriate manager, authority, national organisation
2. Arrange for removal by manual / hand picking.
3. Ensure no fragments spread from the small patches by isolating side channels or retaining patches in large channels by using floating barriers etc.
4. Monitor for regrowth at 4 week intervals

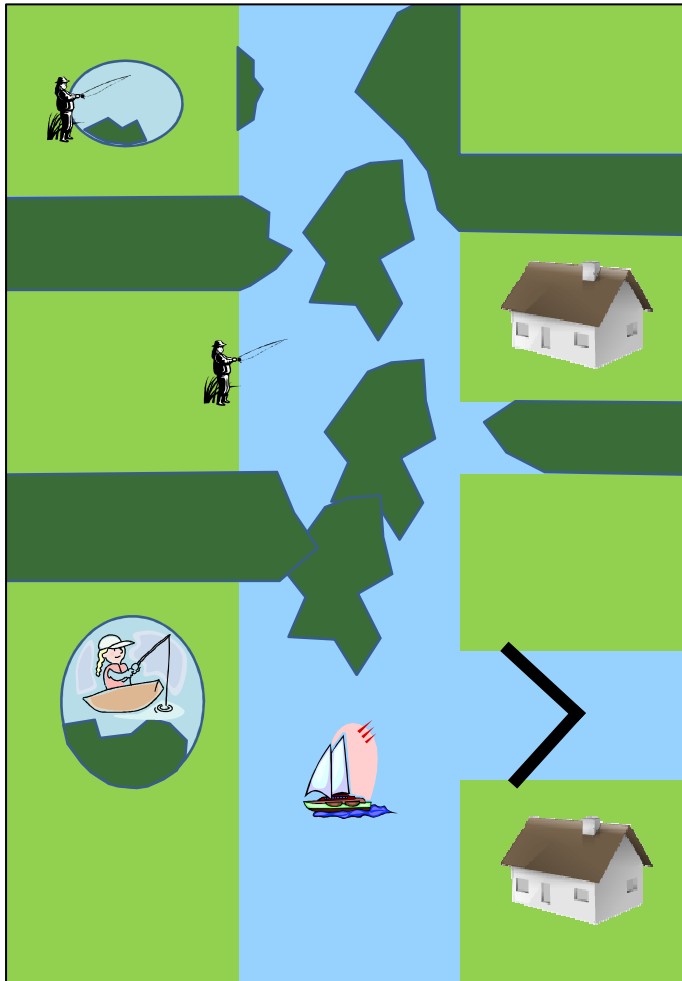


**HIGH RISK – LOW PRIORITY**

There are several large and small patches spread within a drainage system, spread over a large area, in different parts of the channel and in nearby ponds. The sections can be isolated and there are no critical watercourse functions at risk.

**ACTION:**

1. Inform appropriate manager, authority, national organisation
2. Arrange to isolate the section from water movement for as long as possible.
3. Arrange for treatment by manual / hand picking of small patches, mechanical removal of large patches followed by hand picking or by herbicide treatment
4. Ensure no fragments spread from the small patches by isolating side channels or retaining patches in large channels by using floating barriers etc.
5. Monitor for regrowth at 4 week intervals



**HIGH RISK AND HIGH PRIORITY**

There are several large and small patches spread within a drainage system, spread over a large area, in different parts of the channel and in nearby ponds. The sections cannot be isolated and there are critical watercourse functions at risk.

**ACTION:**

1. Inform appropriate manager, authority, national organisation
2. Arrange for removal by manual / hand picking and by any means possible. Try to contain each patch to prevent fragmentation and spread.
3. Protect pumps, sluices and other structures from becoming blocked by vegetation.
4. Ensure no fragments spread from the small patches by isolating side channels or retaining patches in large channels by using floating barriers etc.
5. Monitor for regrowth at 4 week intervals