

## Leafy Northern Green Orchid *Platanthera hyperborea*

**Habitat:** Fens

**Blooms:** Pale green to yellowish green flowers bloom from mid-June to late July

**Seeds:** Mature by fall

**Threats:**

- Habitat degradation
- Grazing
- Invasion of non-native plants
- Fertilizer and herbicide use
- Loss of habitat to agricultural development
- Woody plant invasion
- Hydrologic changes



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**Habitat Improvement Guidelines:**

- Preserve existing populations or habitat that may harbor leafy northern green orchid.
- Do not graze areas where this species occurs.
- Control invasion of non-native plants with hand removal.
- Limit the use of chemicals in close proximity to populations.
- Restore hydrology to the greatest extent possible whenever feasible. This is most easily done by removing tile or plugging ditches.