Bonnemaisonia hamifera

Japanese red algae, Pink cotton wool

Threat Scores

1. Ecological Impact
    - Lack of grazers, rapid growth rate, and its opportunistic qualities have contributed to its success
    - Carpets rocks, competing with native species
2. Geographic Extent
    - Regionally pervasive
3. Management Difficulty
    - No known controls in aquatic environment

Geography and Habitat

1. Native: Japan, China Seas
2. Introduced: Atlantic Coast (Virginia), California
3. Habitats
    - Marine, estuaries/bays

Invasion Pathways

1. Stocking in open water - shellfish farming

Non-Native Locations

1. 41- Virginian
4. 59- Southern California Bight

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