**Nehalennia irene** (Hagen)  
**Sedge Sprite**  
9 Aug [one record]  

**Very local**  
**MALE:** 24-29 mm (1.0-1.1 in.)  
**FEMALE:** 25-29.5 (1.0-1.2)  

**Small**

**MALE:** Head: top black. Eyes: blue. Face: green. Thorax: metallic green, sides aqua. Abdomen: very slender to S7; dorsally metallic green w/light rings; S8 posterior quarter blue, S9-10 blue w/paired large dark spots. Appendages: cerci dark, paraprocts blue.

**FEMALE:** Abdomen: S8-9 usually dark metallic green (infrequently like male) S10 w/dark dorsal spots; ovipositor yellowish.

**Habitat:** Still marshy or boggy areas w/emergent vegetation. Avoid open water

**Reproduction:** Female oviposit in tandem into floating bits of dead plant material; female horizontal, male at 45°.

**Locations:** Gateway - SM.

[Phenograms](pages 2 – 6).
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