

***Amphiagrion saucium* (Burmeister)**

**Eastern Red Damsel**

**10 May - 23 Jul**

**Uncommon**

**MALE: 21.5-27 mm (0.9-1.1 in.) FEMALE: 24-27 (1.0-1.1)**

**Tiny**

**MALE:** Eyes: dark reddish-brown. Head: black above without postocular spots. Face: brick-colored. Thorax: top black, covered w/ bright purple pruinosity; pale beneath. Abdomen: bright orange-red, S8-10 middorsally coal black. Legs: reddish or yellow. Stigmas: reddish or light brown. Appendages: reddish or yellowish.

**FEMALE:** Face: tan. Thorax: brown or reddish-brown. Abdomen: stouter than male; deep red, top brown; S8-10 dark.

**Habitat:** Grasses/sedges. Sunlit grassy seeps, small sunny streams w/ springs, springy bogs at base of hills. Adults fly near ground within shelter of vegetation, not over open fields or water.

**Reproduction:** Female oviposits in tandem on floating and emergent plants, slicing stems above waterline and inserting eggs.

**Locations:** Meadowbrook, Trinity, Wesley Lane.

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