

## Outreach and Updates



### Plant Heroes Curriculum Hub

Want to engage educators and their students in protecting trees from pests and diseases? Check out the American Public Gardens Association's [curriculum hub](#) - recently launched as part of its youth education program, Plant Heroes! The hub contains over 50 lesson plans related to invasive species, plants, and environmental stewardship, and it can be filtered by age, subject, skills, and learning standards to find resources that meet each educator's needs. The Plant Heroes website also provides interactive online learning activities as well as a variety of downloadable activity books and field guides to enrich the learning experience.

[Learn more at plantheroes.org »](#)

### Firewood Scout is going national!

What do Wisconsin, California, and Tennessee all have in common with Michigan? They are about to all be Firewood Scout states! That means that the public will be able to use [FirewoodScout.org](#) to search by location (via smartphone, tablet, laptop, or desktop) for firewood vendors in those states. Do you want to learn more about this effort and how you can add your state?

[Read the Firewood Scout Blog »](#)

### Calling all Firewood Poll and Survey planners

Are you planning to conduct a poll, survey, or questionnaire on the topic of firewood use, camping behavior, or a similar theme in 2015? If so, you are in good company with several other state and non-profit groups. Several surveys are in the planning stages that may span: the Southeastern US, the whole USA, and just California- and so we'd like to hear from you. Please email Leigh at [L.Greenwood@tnc.org](mailto:L.Greenwood@tnc.org) to get information on upcoming conference calls that will unite our work and strengthen the inferences that can be drawn from what we all do in 2015.

[Add your name to the list »](#)

Want to see what other states are doing? Visit [www.dontmovefirewood.org/resources](http://www.dontmovefirewood.org/resources).

## Infestations and Regulations



### Goldspotted oak borer known distribution expansion

A newly discovered infestation of goldspotted oak borer was identified late in 2014. This location is significantly apart from the other known locations in California which are in San Diego and Riverside county, while the new infested area is in Orange County.

[View the maps »](#)

### Maryland confirms thousand cankers disease

In January 2015, the Maryland Department of Agriculture

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### In The News

01/27/15

**Pathway Risk Assessment:  
Stopping Invasions Before They  
Start (Recorded Webinar)**

01/26/15

**Felled trees can become  
firewood, but it will take time**

... Secretary of the Department of Agriculture announced a quarantine order for a limited area of Cecil County. This is a response to the first recorded instance of TCD confirmed in this state.

[Visit Thousandcankers.com for more info »](http://Thousandcankers.com)

## Don't Move Firewood Campaign



We built a Toolbox for your convenience!

With the busy spring and summer season coming up, Don't Move Firewood staff wanted to be sure the most popular downloadable outreach items, research papers, and general guidance was all at your fingertips. Please visit our curated list of most popular and useful Don't Move Firewood resources in our Toolbox, today!

[Visit the Toolbox »](#)

01/24/15

[Hawaii hopes to fend off invasion by coconut rhinoceros beetle](#)

01/21/15

[Gvsv moth eradication set near Yacolt \(Washington\)](#)

### Submit Your Story

This is the Firewood Outreach Coordinating Initiative newsletter, designed to share information about firewood and invasive forest pests. Do you have a story you want us to include in a future newsletter? Submit your story of 120 words or less.

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