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Firewood Outreach Coordinating Initiative

Outreach and Updates



New Hampshire goes live on Firewood Scout

The interagency cooperative firewood vendor listing tool, Firewood Scout, has added a new state: New Hampshire! By joining Firewood Scout, New Hampshire has created a resource allowing state, private, and non-profit entities to publicize a single reputable site to find information on local and heat treated firewood vendors throughout the state. Other states currently ramping up to join Firewood Scout include Kentucky, North Carolina, and South Carolina — stay tuned!

Visit Firewood Scout »

Learn about becoming a member state of Firewood Scout »

NEW! Get Ready for Adventure infographic for springtime outreach

High quality infographics are in demand, and Don't Move Firewood has just released the second in its series of four informative and good looking infographics. The **Get Ready for Adventure** infographic has an emphasis on getting outside and having fun — and remembering to plan ahead and buy firewood on site. With fun facts about outdoor recreation coupled with a sound message on using local firewood, this infographic has wide appeal for many outreach needs.

Download the Get Ready for Adventure infographic here » View our Fall 2015 infographic, Firewood for Home Heating »

Check out the Spring Emerald Ash Borer University Webinars

The "EAB U" webinar series has some great webinars coming up — in particular, we'd like to suggest attending Piera Siegert's presentation "Is Firewood Still a Vector of Invasives? A Case Study of Firewood Movement Through the New Hampshire Speedway" on April 14th at 11am Eastern.

See past and future EAB U webinars here »

Save the Date: Emerald Ash Borer Awareness Week 2016

The week of May 22nd to 28th is Emerald Ash Borer Awareness Week for 2016 — a week of flexible outreach options including governor proclamations, public outreach, professional webinars, event booth-staffing, and more. To ensure you've got great examples of past outreach tools and publications, the team at Don't Move Firewood has compiled a broad roundup of what various states and regions have done in the past few years to celebrate the week. Many thanks to USDA APHIS for spearheading this effort!

Visit our Emerald Ash Borer Awareness Week Toolkit »

Recorded Webinar Now Available: "Treating Firewood is a Hot Topic: seasoning, solarizing, kiln drying, and heat treatment"

Our first FOCI webinar of the 2016 year, in coordination with National Invasive Species Awareness Week, was a success! Thank you to our four excellent speakers — and thank you to the 75 people that

joined us and asked great questions. We covered heat treatment standards, debarking, solarizing, and more.

See the recorded webinar here »

The featured image this month is a photo of a heat probe inserted into firewood in a homemade kiln, taken by Denise Haffner, USDA APHIS PPQ PHTCO. Denise presented this photo, and more, during her portion of the <u>NISAW-FOCI joint webinar in February</u>.

Whoa! What's up with that new light green color? We've gotten feedback from several people that the dark green background made it tough to forward the FOCI to colleagues. The new softer green should fix that. Send complaints or compliments to LGreenwood@tnc.org.

Infestations and Regulations

EAB Map with Ash Range — useful product!

You probably know that the folks at USDA APHIS publish a new map of EAB quarantined states and counties about once a month. Did you know that they also now provide an updated map with the native (and urban) range of ash trees as the base layer? It is a different look and has a different impact than the regular state map.

Find all the recent EAB maps »
See the ash range map with EAB quarantine here »

Don't Move Firewood Campaign

Handouts for summer staff

Are you bringing on new summer staff or volunteers? Make sure to download our Frequently Asked Questions handout, Example Text handout, and the Preventing Firewood Movement Fact Sheet (made by the Southern Region USFS) to stock those orientation binders with good information!

Find all these documents and more in the Toolbox »

Many outreach materials are still in stock!

Don't Move Firewood brochures, fake tattoos, stickers, and more are still available to outreach professionals that really need them — like you! Download our updated ordering PDF here and you can get a supply of our outreach materials for free, or for just the cost of the shipping (for larger items and larger quantities).

Get the updated order form »

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In The News

03/08/16

Radical change projected for northern forests is rooted in past, current management

03/07/16

Forest Bioenergy Defined As Carbon Neutral By Federal Amendment

02/27/16

'Worst forest pest insect' recently found in Vancouver

02/26/16

Invasive tree insect threatens more than a million trees around Denver

02/19/16

Upper Peninsula (of Michigan) adds four counties to EAB quarantine

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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