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Outreach and Updates



Are you ready for Emerald Ash Borer Awareness Week?

May 22nd to 28th 2016 is Emerald Ash Borer Awareness Week, and you'll want to stand on the shoulders of giants to come up with the best possible outreach items for your state. We've got you covered with our big roundup of what various states and regions have done in the past few years to celebrate the week. Find videos, proclamations, press releases, handouts, and much more, all neatly summarized on one page.

View the Emerald Ash Borer Awareness Week Toolkit »

Now booking EAB and ALB costumes for May, June, and July

The famous Don't Move Firewood emerald ash borer and Asian longhorned beetle costumes are still available for many of the weeks and weekends of May, June, and July 2016. They are a fantastic outreach tool at fairs, festivals, meetings, and field days. Act now to book the costume(s) you need for your outreach! The schedule fills up so plan ahead for best results.

Email Leigh to get your dates on the costume calendar »

Laurel Wilt Recovery Plan, Updates, and Map

The insect-fungal complex of Laurel wilt affects both red bay trees, and sassafras. It is moving through the Southeastern US with fairly alarming speed, and is now found hundreds of miles from the coastline in southern Arkansas. Much of this movement is thought to be via the firewood vector. For an excellent summary including the most recent map, visit these two recent USFS Southern Research Station articles:

See Laurel Wilt continues to spread (includes map) » Recovering from Laurel Wilt »

The featured image this month is a mature flowering crab apple photographed in full bloom. Enjoy the beauty of spring while it lasts.

Infestations and Regulations

Pine Shoot Beetle Regulated Area and Items

The pine shoot beetle is an invasive pest of pines, larch, and spruce. It is currently found in the Northeastern US and Great Lakes region, and the federal order of quarantine for this pest explicitly includes pine firewood with the bark attached as a regulated item. That means that it is illegal to move untreated, bark-on, pine firewood from Minnesota to South Dakota, Indiana into Kentucky, Ohio into Utah.

Learn more about the pine shoot beetle »

Open the pine shoot beetle quarantine map »

Don't Move Firewood Campaign

Do you want to be famous?

The Don't Move Firewood blog features success stories of all sorts throughout the year- in 2016, we've so far published guest blogs from Missouri, New Hampshire, and Utah. If you are taking action on firewood issues in your state or region, we'd love to feature your voice and experience on our blog.

Read Utah's guest blog»

Read Missouri's guest blog »

Read New Hampshire's guest blog »

Email Leigh to suggest a topic or submit a blog »

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In The News

04/05/16

Baseball bats threatened by invasive beetle

03/28/16

Invasive pest lures rare woodpecker to western Chicago suburbs

03/28/16

Asian Longhorned Beetle
Eradication Program Announces
2016 Plans for Fighting the
Beetle in New York,
Massachusetts, and Ohio

03/25/16

Scenes of Devastation: Chasing Hawaii's Deadly Ohia Fungus

03/24/16

Before the ash borer, the ash borer scams (NE)

03/14/16

Wanted: heat-treated firewood businesses

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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