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FOCI Newsletter





## Webinar Alert: Regulations that apply to moving firewood right now

The regulations that apply to firewood are often not entirely about the firewood itself, which makes it hard to fully categorize and understand the tangled web of rules and quarantines in North America. In the first FOCI webinar of 2018, the manager of Don't Move Firewood, Leigh Greenwood, will describe all the different ways in which current regulations criss-cross to create a confusing, and fascinating, regulatory landscape. From Asian longhorned beetle to Arkansas, walnut twig beetle to Wyoming Weed and Pest Control Act, we'll do our best to accurately represent the scope of a whole continent's rules and regulations in merely one hour. This webinar will be held THIS THURSDAY, January 25th, at noon Eastern (9am Pacific, 10 Mountain, 11 Central).

#### Get the webinar link and access the recording once complete >>

### Congratulations Minnesota and Kentucky!

Firewood Scout is a smartphone friendly website that lists firewood vendors on an interactive map platform. The latest states to becomes members of Firewood Scout are Minnesota and Kentucky-which means that visitors and residents of these states have an easy way to find local firewood vendors when they travel. Congrats to everyone that has been working hard in all 10 member states at keeping their firewood vendor lists complete and accurate!

Learn more about Firewood Scout >>

## National Invasive Species Awareness Week is February 26 - March 2, 2018

The week of February 26th to March 2rd 2018 will be chock full of informative webinars, receptions on Capitol Hill, and other events pertaining to professional education on invasive species around the USA. The schedule is now available online, so check it out and tell your colleagues about it!

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Some states have their own external quarantine for firewood, put in place by a state based agency and administered separately from the more familar federal regulations. Other states have regulations on how far untreated firewood can legally move within their states. New York provides an interesting example of both kinds of regulations. Learn more about New York and firewood here: https://www.dontmovefirewood.org/map/new-york/

Infestations and Regulations

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# Map Quiz! How far away is Nova Scotia?

Two forest pests are causing some fresh alarm in Nova Scotia right now- the beech leaf-mining weevil, and hemlock wooly adelgid. Because it was going to be far too hard to phrase this the other way around and ask you which province these two pests were both found in (given the heavily biased US readership of this newsletter) it seemed better to say; how many miles are YOU from Nova Scotia via major highways or maritime routes? And are you familiar with the risks posed by these pests in this location?

Beech leaf-mining weevil in Nova Scotia >> Hemlock wooly adelgid in Nova Scotia >>

## Don't Move Firewood Campaign

## Now Booking Spring and Summer Costume Calendar!

With two emerald ash borer costumes and one Asian longhorned beetle costume, the Don't Move Firewood campaign's costume loan program can cover a lot of ground. Do you have a public event this spring or summer that would benefit from eye catching, funny, and relatively anatomically correct bug costumes? Reserve your costume by sending an email to Leigh at LGreenwood@tnc.org with the name of the event, dates needed, which species of costume you want, and the shipping address- and we'll get you on the books if the schedule allows!

## Plan your Firewood Outreach Year

Not sure which awareness week is which? We've got a cheat sheet to get you on track for a well organized year in outreach! Check it out- and if you know of a national or regional event that is missing, let us know!

### The Firewood Outreach Year >>

## In the News

Open House being held on gypsy moth spray program (Courtenay, British Columbia) 11 Jan 2018

Kiss your ash goodbye: Costly beetle invasion will be quick and painful for Winnipeg, scientists say 10 Dec 2017

Spotted Lanternflies Found in New York & Delaware 1 Dec 2017

The shot hole borer beetle could kill 38% of all trees in the L.A. region 30 Nov 2017

## 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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