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# FOCI Newsletter

Firewood Outreach Coordinating Initiative

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## **Congratulations Farm Bill Section 10007 Recipients**

The USDA APHIS Farm Bill Section 10007 FY18 Spending Plan was released yesterday- congratulations to all cooperators whose suggestions have been funded! According to the [national press release](#), this fiscal year's spending plan includes "\$729,615 in 17 states for forest pest outreach, education, and emergency preparedness." Projects with national scope, including Don't Move Firewood, Hungry Pests, PlayCleanGo, and the Sentinel Plant Network, are listed in the spending plan for FY18 in both the National category, and various state categories. Visit the Farm Bill 10007 page to learn more about this important funding source.

[Visit the Farm Bill Section 10007 Page >>](#)  
[Direct download the Spending Plan >>](#)

## **Firewood Scout crosses the 10 state threshold**

Firewood Scout, a firewood vendor listing website run on a membership model for states that wish to participate, has now officially reached the 10 state mark on the map! Each member state is responsible for gathering and maintaining their list of firewood vendors, and the membership fees go to database and website maintenance of the collective program. New states are welcome to join at any time. Find out how it works, what the costs are, and more at Firewood Scout.

[Visit the Firewood Scout About Us page >>](#)

## **Coming up in April and May**

There are several major upcoming outreach opportunities coming in April and May. It will be a whirlwind of states' and national Arbor Day, Invasive Plant Pest and Disease Awareness Month, Earth Day, Emerald Ash Borer Awareness Week, and then all of a sudden summer is here. Thankfully, the Don't Move Firewood campaign maintains a handy list of firewood related outreach links and suggestions for all these events to help you get started.

[View our Outreach Annual Calendar >>](#)

## **Save the Date! Continental Dialogue on Non-Native Forest Insects and Diseases Annual Meeting**

This newsletter is one of several Initiatives of the Continental Forest Dialogue - and the annual meeting of the full Dialogue will be November 6th and 7th in Irvine, California. We'll be discussing forest pest and pathogens issues from across North America alongside hundreds of tree-related professionals attending the Partners in Community Forestry Conference. Mark it down on your calendars!

[Get details on the Continental Forest Dialogue site >>](#)

This month's featured image is an amazing photograph from the Huntington Botanical Gardens feature story in 2012, [On the Trail of a Deadly Pest](#). You should read that story, and then also read [The Tiny Menace](#)- which was published just last week. Both are a sobering look at an emerging pest complex, the invasive shothole borers.

## Infestations and Regulations

### Green Mountain State finds a green invader

Vermont has unfortunately confirmed the presence of emerald ash borer, first located in the town of Orange, earlier this spring. Before you go ahead and map that town, take a guess- is Orange Vermont closest to the infested areas already known in New Hampshire, New York, Massachusetts, or Quebec? Or is this basically a trick question to make you think about the extremely tight and complex geography of Greater New England?

[View the Initial County EAB Detection Map >>](#)

## Don't Move Firewood Campaign

### Your orders are coming soon!

THANK YOU to the thirty eight outreach professionals that pre-ordered over 122,000 educational items in February and March. We're doing our very best to bulk order all the different items quickly, re-package them according to request, and send them out into the field ASAP. Due to the volume of orders, the process is taking a bit longer than anticipated- but all orders should be received by the end of April.

FORWARD THIS TO A COLLEAGUE »

### In the News

[Wisconsin Entering Statewide Emerald Ash Borer Quarantine](#)  
21 March 2018

[USDA Declares a Portion of Clermont County, Ohio, Free of the Asian Longhorned Beetle](#)  
15 March 2018

[The Tiny Menace](#)  
13 March 2018

[When Twenty-Six Thousand Stinkbugs Invade Your Home](#)  
12 March 2018

[These giant African snails are eating their way across Havana, and it's a big problem](#)  
5 March 2018

### 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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