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NEW! Firewood for Home Heating infographic for your use and promotion

High quality infographics are in demand, and Don't Move Firewood has released an informative and good looking **Firewood for Home Heating** infographic just in time for the transition to home heating season. With scientifically accurate facts and industry information, this infographic should be just what vour Facebook. Twitter, and Pinterest profiles will need! **Get the infographic here** »

Tis the season to talk about Christmas trees!

Yes, we know it isn't even Thanksgiving yet, but the public needs to be informed early and often. We've got sound information on why you should buy a natural Christmas tree, how to make a good decision on which tree and decorations to buv. and finally — how to properly dispose of your Christmas tree. All your key Christmas tree questions, answered »

Plan ahead! We'll be back in January 2015

The Firewood Professionals Newsletter is skipping December, as we do every year. Aside from our <u>Christmas tree materials</u>, what else do you need to tide you over? **Late November** is when you should be reaching out to the <u>Christmas Bird Count</u> birdwatching volunteers in your area and supplying them with the <u>Holes in Trees handout</u>. The **first week of December** is a good time to reach out on the topic of <u>Firewood for Home Heating</u>. And **any time in December** is good to <u>submit your January stories</u> to ensure we've got you on the books for our January newsletter.

The featured image this month is part of the new Firewood for Home Heating infographic. Learn more about this shareable resource on the <u>Don't Move Firewood blog</u>.

Infestations and Regulations

This month's quiz features Shot Hole Borers!

You've probably heard of the polyphagous shot hole borer, but did you know that the California situation has now been better defined by researchers as two separate species of shot hole borer with two different fungal symbionts? We'll take it easy on you with this quiz, as this is new research on a regional pest. **How far apart are the two closest known confirmed infestations** in California of polyphagous shot hole borer and Kuroshio shot hole borer: 10 miles, 100 miles, or 250 miles? **What is the farthest north city** that is currently within the generally affected area: San Diego, Los Angeles, San Francisco. or Arcata?

Use the online mapping tool to explore the infestations » Read about the two species and their native distributions »

FORWARD THIS TO A COLLEAGUE »

In The News

10/28/15 Polvphacous and Kuroshio shot hole borer recent finds

10/23/15 Emerald ash borer found in Duluth; 1st in northern Minnesota

10/20/15 Predators know invasive species are a sometimes food

10/22/15 Emerald ash borer and firewood awareness in Boulder County, Colorado

Don't Move Firewood Campaign

Harness the power of Citizen Scientists this December!

Every year, tens of thousands of birdwatchers across the country go outside in mid to late December to look for, and record, the many birds that live around them as part of the annual Christmas Bird Count. Prepare for this amazing citizen scientist opportunity RIGHT NOW by reading our easy instructions on contacting your local birdwatching group and providing them with the Birdwatcher's Field Guide to Holes in <u>Trees</u>. This handout is a photo guide that succinctly describes the differences between holes from foraging on native food sources, holes (or damage) from birds foraging on invasive insect food sources, and holes from invasive insects themselves.

Download the new Birdwatcher's Guide to Holes in Trees » (This is a reprint of our popular November 2014 article by the same title)

Webinar Recording: Changing Movement of **Firewood by Campers**

Did you miss the most popular webinar of the 2015 FOCI series? "Changing movement of firewood by campers: an eight year study of the effect of regulation and education" was on October 21st, 2015. Lucky for you, we recorded it here: Changing movement of firewood by campers - stream

recorded webinar (1hr 2min)

Note: during the first 30 seconds while the webinar loads it may appear to be malfunctioning. If you give it a minute to buffer and load, it should work well after that. Thanks for your understanding!

10/14/15 The (tree-killing) beetles are coming

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.

Submit Your Story

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