Outreach and Updates

Summer Outreach Specialists Unite!
Don't Move Firewood has hired summer outreach interns for the last four years to educate the public in the greater Massachusetts region about the local threat of invasive species. They attend farmers' markets, fairs, music festivals, and other large outdoor events from June through August—talking to tens of thousands of people each season! Does your program have outreach staff that might want to network with Don't Move Firewood's interns? Are you considering hiring summer interns for 2014 and envisioning how to get them involved with outreach? We can help. Email Leigh Greenwood to learn more about where we go, what we do, and why we do it.

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Save the Date: Continental Forest Dialogue
The regulation, treatment, labeling and education of all things related to firewood will be covered at the 9th meeting of the Continental Dialogue on Non-Native Insects and Diseases this November 4th and 5th, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Held as a partner meeting to the Arbor Day annual meeting (November 6th and 7th), this will be an unparalleled opportunity for professional connections and development on topics regarding tree health, urban forest issues, and more. Interested? Visit Partners in Community Forestry Convention Information. Conference registration for both the Continental Dialogue and Arbor Day meetings should be available the first week of July 2013.

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Want to see what other states are doing? Visit www.dontmovefirewood.org/resources.

Infestations and Regulations

Florida's Strict Firewood Regulations
Did you know that the state of Florida has had a ban on out-of-state firewood (without compliance agreements and master permits) since 2010? Read more about what they've been doing in the Sunshine State to protect their forests.

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In The News

06/04/2013
Voluntary Firewood Restrictions in Place at (Nebraska) State Parks

05/31/13
Pennsylvanians Reminded to Follow Firewood Quarantine
Next Steps in Ohio for ALB?
USDA APHIS announced that it will continue moving forward with plans for eradication of the Asian longhorned beetle in Ohio, including new actions to regulate and treat high-risk host trees. Read the press release for the full scoop on Ohio's next steps.
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Orders
05/29/13
Moving Boats, Bait, or Firewood can Spread Destructive Pests to New Areas

05/23/2013
West Virginia Closes Border to Walnut Plants from Areas Infected with Thousand Cankers Disease

05/21/2013
Emerald Ash Borer Detected in Another Connecticut Town

Don’t Move Firewood Campaign

Why is Washington State #1?
An Effective Outreach Approach

Don't Move Firewood's website is monitored and analyzed monthly for trends. So what's the most intriguing find from 2013 so far? Despite being the 13th most populous state, Washington is the #1 state for people visiting DontMoveFirewood.org. That's pretty impressive. This is directly caused by the prominent location of links to Don't Move Firewood on all three of the most common Washington camping reservations systems: Parks.WA.gov, ReserveAmerica.com and Recreation.gov. This outreach approach is low cost, effective, targets a great population of visitors, and is easy to maintain. Want to know how you can learn from their experience? Email Leigh Greenwood to learn more.
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Submit Your Story

This is the new 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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Recent Tweets

@AmForestFndn:
ALB declared eradicated today in Manhattan, Staten Island. Still trouble elsewhere http://bit.ly/10wW9qX #FreeTheTrees via @dntmovefirewood

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blog: Springtime projects and leftover wood - As the...
http://bit.ly/111TYZ1 #camp #firewood #campfire

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