

Outreach and Updates



Emerald Ash Borer Awareness Week is May 18th – 22nd

Last call for our great collection of EAB Awareness Week materials! We have organized and archived many outstanding partner materials - ranging from posters to tree tags, life cycle videos to kid's coloring pages. And of course we have ready to print masks- a big crowd favorite. Visit the [Emerald Ash Borer Awareness Week 2015 Tool Kit](#) for an organized archive of online materials.

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Firewood Awareness Week in Vermont

Vermont will celebrate locally sourced firewood through [Firewood Awareness Week](#), May 17th – 23rd. The goals of the week are to; raise awareness of the risks of moving firewood; feature the social, economic, environmental, and personal impacts of invasive pests; and educate the public about the upcoming state quarantine regulating the movement of firewood into Vermont. The week will be celebrated through tree tagging at rest areas and campgrounds throughout the state, and rest area outreach blitzes on Memorial Day weekend. **Check back with this newsletter in July** for a follow up article reflecting on the lessons learned.

[Visit Vermont Invasives: Firewood Awareness Week to learn more »](#)

Story contributed by [Mollie Klepack](#), Forest Pest Outreach Coordinator, UVM Extension

Forest Pest Fly Tying Project taking flight

Are you looking for a great way to stimulate discussion about forest pests at your outreach booth? The Forest Pest Fly Tying Project may be the program you need! If you're not familiar with fly tying you probably don't realize the amazing things a talented fly tier can do with a hook, some thread and a bit of feather and foam. Forest pest experts across the country have found that adding a fly tier to a booth at a garden or sporting show, county fair or other event results in more people getting educated about forest pests.

[Click here for photos and the full blog »](#)

Story contributed by [Bob Wiltshire](#), Executive Director, Invasive Species Action Network

You will not receive a FOCI newsletter in June

The FOCI does not issue a newsletter in June nor December. Worried about our absence? To tide you over, [submit an article](#) for publication in **July's FOCI** or think about how you will reach out the public for August, which is [Tree Check Month](#).

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

Infestations and Regulations

Big Changes to Emerald Ash Borer Map

Pop quiz! How much of New York is under contiguous federal quarantine for EAB? *Hint: It changed recently.* Keep up to date on all the most recent changes to the EAB regulatory boundaries by visiting the [EmeraldAshBorer.info map page](#) today.

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In The News

05/06/15

**American Chestnut Trees Make a
Return in NY State**

04/27/15

Don't Move Firewood Campaign

Our Kid's Corner has great ideas for your summer programming

Getting ready for camps, festivals, and farmer's markets? Our Kid's Corner has excellent free materials for all your youth needs: bug masks, coloring pages, partner curriculum links, and more.

[Visit the Kid's Corner today »](#)

Order your tattoos NOW while supplies last

We have lots of emerald ash borer and Asian longhorned beetle tattoos in our inventory right now — along with a higher than average stockpile of DVD's, 1/3 page brochures, and forest pest identification wallet cards. Order them NOW for summer events by emailing your name, agency/company, shipping address, desired items, and desired quantities (itemized, please) to [Leigh](#). We'll fill orders first come first served to the best of our abilities.

UC Irvine fights infestation of tree-killing bug

04/20/15

Predatory Wasps and Citizen Scientists are Taking on the Emerald Ash Borer

04/16/15

A new online resource on the Asian longhorned beetle

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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