



IOWA NURSERY & LANDSCAPE ASSOCIATION

NEWS

2nd Annual INLA Service - Day September 11, 2013

We hope you can join us for our 2nd Annual INLA Service Day on Wednesday, September 11, 2013.

Just like last year it should prove to be productive as well as fun!

We are asking all volunteers to meet us at 9 A.M. at 900 Des Moines Street, at the Agribusiness Association of Iowa/ Iowa Nursery and Landscape Association offices, between East 9th and Des Moines Street, in Des Moines. We are also asking volunteers to come prepared with hand-tools including shovels, rakes, loppers and pruners (i.e.: long handled tools and cutting tools)



and wheelbarrows.

We will be working on landscaping around the office building. We will break for lunch mid-day, which will be provided.

We are anticipating the day to end at 3 P.M., at which time everyone is invited to gather at Legends American Grill located at 216 Court Avenue to recap the day!

If you have questions please contact Joan O'Brien by calling her cell at 515-975-7461

or emailing her at joano@agribiz.org

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Emerald Ash BORER Confirmed in Jefferson County

News Release: IDALS - August 1, 2013

Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) has been positively identified in a residential tree in the city of Fairfield in Jefferson County, making this the third location where the invasive beetle has been found in Iowa. Allamakee County was declared infested in May 2010 and Des Moines County in July 2013.

EAB kills all ash species and is considered to be one of the most destructive tree pests ever seen in North America.

With this new find close to the Des Moines County infestation, State Entomologist Robin Puisner said the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship (IDALS), along with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), will be issuing a multicounty quarantine in southeast Iowa in the near future. This regulatory action restricts movement of hardwood firewood, ash logs and wood chips out of the quarantined counties.

Puisner said all Iowans are strongly cautioned not to transport firewood across county or state lines, since the movement of firewood throughout Iowa or to other states poses the greatest threat to quickly spread EAB even further. Most EAB infestations in the United States have been started by people unknowingly moving infested firewood, nursery plants or sawmill logs. The adult beetle also can fly short distances, approximately 2 to 5 miles.

The current EAB infestation was found as a result of survey efforts by the Iowa EAB Team. This team includes officials from IDALS, Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, USDA Animal Plant Health Inspection Service and the USDA Forest Service.

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"Preventive treatments next spring — mid-April to mid-May 2014 — are suggested to protect vigorously healthy and valuable ash trees within 15 miles of the known infested area," said ISU Extension and Outreach Entomologist Mark Shour. For more details, see ISU Extension and Outreach publication PM2084, www.extension.iastate.edu/Publications/PM2084.pdf.

Ash is one of the most abundant native tree species in North America, and has been heavily planted as a landscape tree in yards and other urban areas. According to the USDA Forest Service, Iowa has an estimated 52 million rural ash trees and approximately 3.1 million more ash trees in urban areas. It is unknown how many public and residential ash trees are located in Fairfield.

To learn more about EAB and other pests that are threatening Iowa's tree population, please visit www.IowaTreePests.com. Or, for more information contact any of the following members of the Iowa EAB Team: Robin Puisner, State Entomologist, 515-725-1470.

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Ash Borers Spark Firewood Ban

By: Kurt Allemeier - Quad City Times

West Lake Park-Buffalo Shores Park Ranger Josh Sabin looks through firewood for sale Thursday at a West Lake Park campground. The Scott County Conservation Board has voted to ban out-of-county firewood brought to campgrounds unless it is labeled to meet state and federal standards.

Emerald ash borers like to hitch a ride, so Scott County's Conservation Board has banned firewood from outside the county in its parks to prevent the introduction of the pest.

The board passed the ban at its meeting Wednesday, prohibiting firewood from outside Scott County unless it is labeled so it meets state and federal requirements. The resolution expands on a ban of out-of-state firewood that has been in place since 2011.

Infestations have been found in Illinois and Wisconsin.

In Iowa, the ash borer has been found in Burlington in Des Moines County, Henderson Island in Allamakee County and, most recently, in Fairfield in Jefferson County. The emerald ash borer kills all ash species, and the Iowa Department of Agriculture describes it as one of the most destructive tree pests in North America.

Firewood is seen as a primary way for the ash borer to move from place to place. The discovery of the ash borer in Fairfield this summer is an example of infested firewood entering an area, said Iowa State University Extension entomologist Mark Shour.

"That is how they primarily move long distances," he said. "The tendency is for insects to stay close to where they emerge as long as their food sources are available."

Rangers will check the firewood of new campers, conservation department director Roger Kean said. If they have firewood that doesn't meet the requirements of the ban, they will be required to burn it immediately or it will be confiscated and burned immediately.

"If you come from out of county you have to prove where you got that firewood," Kean said.

"Labels guarantee where it came from. It is kind of like the buy-local idea with fruits and vegetables."

Firewood is available for sale at Scott County's parks as well as other locations, such as Hy-Vee stores, Kean said.



Scott County's move to ban outside firewood is following up on Iowa's departments of Natural Resources and Agriculture and Land Stewardship. State entomologist Robin Puisner recently returned from a trip to Colorado where she saw numerous examples of campers transporting unlabeled firewood. She praised what Scott County is doing.

"I think it is an excellent step for a county to be looking out for its own resources," she said.

SAVE THE DATE!

58th Annual ISU - Shade Tree Short Course
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Ames, Iowa



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Addressing Neonicotinoids - ANLA

In recent weeks we've seen a parade of media reports and commentary regarding neonicotinoid insecticides and their potential impact on bees. Many of these stories provide important information for us to consider and reflect upon, while others represent sensationalized perspectives with the intention of driving a political agenda.

Growing plants, tending crops, and managing greenhouses and landscapes are roles for responsible stewards, and our industry's access to and use of insecticides must be approached with the same level of respect. Neonicotinoids are insecticides, capable of killing various insects, and, when used appropriately and as directed by the approved EPA labels, they are useful tools in the fight against invasive insect species and in ongoing efforts to manage pests.

Some recent reports suggest that plants treated with neonicotinoid pesticides are connected to Colony Collapse Disorder (CCD) of bees – a phenomenon in which worker bees do not return to their hive after foraging. However, research and peer-reviewed publications, including those from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) strongly contradict the finger-pointing at neonicotinoids. Rather, the research suggests that CCD of managed hives is likely caused by a combination of factors, including the 1987 introduction of the destructive Varroa mite, bee pathogens and the constant stress of transporting hives to new locations by beekeepers. Fortunately, our native bees do

not appear to be impacted by CCD despite dealing with many of the same parasites and pathogens and similar exposure to pesticides. This is not to say that pesticides play no role in CCD – the truth is we don't have all of the answers at this point.

Based on current science, EPA continues to allow application of neonicotinoids with appropriate guidelines because they are among the safer chemicals available to combat many pests. We encourage the research community to pursue its work on this issue without bias and identify the necessary steps to alleviate CCD.

As a proud part of U.S. agriculture, we certainly understand the importance of pollinators to the agricultural industry and our natural environment. We also recognize the importance of having effective pesticides with low environmental impact. Neonicotinoids, when used properly, are vital to the success of our industry. They are important tools in defending trees, shrubs, and plants against destructive invasive species like the Japanese Beetle, Hemlock Woolly Adelgid and Asian Longhorned Beetle, in dealing with invasive and often chemical-resistant whitefly species, and preventing the spread of these and other pests.

To view the industry letter please find it attached to this newsletter. You will also find attached frequently asked questions which may assist you in answering difficult questions regarding this sensitive issue.

2014 INLA Dues

Dear INLA Members,

We are began a new dues year as of July 1, and as you may have noticed the 2014 dues invoices have been sent out via USPS.

You may review/edit the forms sent to you regarding your membership and send back with payment or simply call the office, confirm your information and use credit card to complete your renewal process.

We look forward to a promising and exciting new year for our members and hope you will join us.

If you have questions please contact Joan O'Brien at joano@agribiz.org or by calling the office at 515-262-8323.



Thank you to Members Who Have Renewed Their Commitment to INLA!

INLA strives to promote certified Garden Center and Landscaping professionals, so thank you to the following INLA members who have already renewed their membership and paid 2013—2014 dues!

We appreciate your support of the Iowa Nursery and Landscape Association!

If you have not yet renewed your membership please keep your eye out for the second round of dues invoices which will be sent shortly. The following renewals have been received through 8-27-13.

** Indicates an ICNP dues paying member.*

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