

kentucky WOODLANDS

Emerald Ash Borer Quarantine Extended Across the Commonwealth

As of April 3, quarantine regulations for the emerald ash borer (EAB) changed in Kentucky to include the entire state. This Federal Order directly affects the wood and nursery industries because it regulates the interstate movement of ash nursery stock, green lumber, waste, compost, and chips of ash species, plus firewood of all hardwood species. While it is likely that the insect is present outside the original quarantine counties, the entire state is not infested at this time.

You can report suspected infestations to the Office of the State Entomologist or your local Cooperative Extension office for confirmation. New findings will be posted on the Kentucky Emerald Ash Borer page: <http://pest.ca.uky.edu/EXT/EAB/welcomeeab.html>; you can also find the latest insecticide options for protecting ash trees from the EAB on that page too. Continued watchfulness by all will be necessary to limit the spread of this serious invasive insect.



More than 20 states have partial or full quarantines on EAB including Kentucky which now has a statewide EAB quarantine.

Getting Financial and Technical Assistance from the Natural Resources Conservation Service



The Kentucky Natural Resources Conservation Service works with the Kentucky Division of Forestry and the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources on a number of programs that help Kentucky woodland owners practice solid conservation and management of their woodland property. A new website has been developed to aid woodland owners in getting assistance in establishing conservation practices on their land. You can learn more about it by visiting www.nrcs.usda.gov/GetStarted or discussing it with your forester or wildlife biologist.

Kentucky Spring Forest Fire Season

Since the first of the year there have been more than 1,206 wildland fires that burned more than 36,000 acres. The majority of the wildland fires have been classified as arson. Unfortunately, forest fires are a continual threat to Kentucky's woodlands and their owners. If you have information or witnessed suspected arson activity please call the nearest Kentucky Division of Forestry office, Kentucky State Police post or the Target Arson Hotline at 1-800-27-ARSON. Outdoor burning can lead to wildfires. Before conducting any outdoor burning, citizens are advised to be familiar with the applicable regulations. Wildfires are less likely during the summer months but can still occur if conditions are dry. For more information about fire hazard seasons, outdoor burning laws and safe burning practices, visit the Division of Forestry's Web site at <http://forestry.ky.gov>.



Upcoming Dates To Remember:

Date:	Event:	Location:	Contact:
June - Nov., 2014	Kentucky Master Logger 3-Day Program Offerings	Across the state through Nov.	http://dept.ca.uky.edu/masterlogger/3_day_program.php
August 9, 2014	West Region WOSC	Crittenden County	www2.ca.uky.edu/forestryextension/WOSC.php
August 16, 2014	Central Region WOSC	Boone County	www2.ca.uky.edu/forestryextension/WOSC.php
August 23, 2014	East Region WOSC	Knox County	www2.ca.uky.edu/forestryextension/WOSC.php

NEWS TO USE

2014 Kentucky Woodland Owners Short Course – Register Now

Mark your calendars and make plans to attend the 2014 Woodland Owners Short Course (WOSC). The WOSC is returning again this year to help woodland owners learn the fundamentals of woodland management and get them connected to the wide variety of organizations and programs available to help them care for their woodlands.

Two concurrent tracks, Gold and Green, target either the seasoned woodland owner or those who are just beginning. Landowners who might just have acquired woodlands or who are beginning to think about management and wondering what their options are should enroll in the Green Track, while more experienced woodland managers can register in the Gold Track. Past graduates of the short course will

also find valuable information by returning to the course through the Gold Track. Depending on the track and the region, sessions will cover such topics as tree identification; woodland management; wildlife management; woodland health threats; forest certification; riparian buffers for water quality; native warm season grasses; and timber sales to name just a few. For more details and to register please visit www2.ca.uky.edu/forestryextension/WOSC.php or call 859.257.7597.



Reneé Williams Honored by KFIA as Communicator of the Year



Reneé Williams, Information Specialist with Forestry Extension at the University of Kentucky Department of Forestry, was recently honored as the 2013 Kentucky Communicator of the Year at the Kentucky Forest Industries Association (KFIA) 49th Annual Meeting. Dr. Jeffrey Stringer with the University of Kentucky Department of Forestry nominated her for the award. She is responsible for layout, design, and distribution of all educational and programming communications including hardcopy, digital, and web based materials for UK Forestry Extension including the design and layout of the award winning Kentucky Woodlands Magazine as well as serving as webmaster for www.ukforestry.org and other University of Kentucky Forestry websites.

Reneé was also a significant contributor to the success of the 2013 Wood Expo held in Lexington, Kentucky. She assisted KFIA staff with publicity for the event and worked tirelessly to develop local news and media interest. This ultimately resulted in spreading the word about the importance of the wood industry to Central Kentucky an important region of the state that does not normally see the presence of the forest industry.

Survey Says...

Thanks to all the 390 individuals that completed the Kentucky Woodlands Magazine survey. Respondents own 55,835 acres of woodlands in 109 of Kentucky's 120 counties. More than 84 percent of the respondents indicated they had used information from the magazine in the care of their woodlands and 80 percent indicated they had shared the magazine or something they had learned in it with others. We also received numerous suggestions for some great topics that we plan to cover in the future. Thanks again to everyone that took the time to complete the survey. If you did not get a chance to share your feedback or suggestions please send them to forestry.extension@uky.edu.

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1. c
2. b
3. c
4. b
5. d



Congratulations to T. Ratliff of Fleming County who was randomly chosen from the entries from the last quiz. He will receive a free copy of Identifying Kentucky's Forest Trees.

Test Your Knowledge Review