

kentucky WOODLANDS

Emerald Ash Borer Continues to Spread

The Emerald Ash Borer has been confirmed in three more counties (Bourbon, Carroll, and Whitley). The State Entomologist, who is also the chairman of the Kentucky Forest Health Task Force, has called a meeting of the task force for early this fall to discuss the continuing spread of the emerald ash borer and to consider revising the current quarantine. The decision to change the quarantine boundaries is a significant one and the impact on the wood industry,

woodland owners, and the ash trees of Kentucky are all considered. The Kentucky Forest Health Task Force makes recommendations on the quarantine boundaries and forwards them on to the Kentucky Agriculture Commissioner who will make the final decision.



Photo courtesy: Debbie Miller, USDA Forest Service, Bugwood.org

Fall Forest Fire Hazard Season Coming Soon

The Fall Fire Hazard Season starts on October 1 and runs through December 15. During the fire hazard seasons it is illegal to burn within 150 of any woodland or brushland between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. There is a high risk of forest fires during this time of year because leaves are on the ground, humidity levels are lower, and sunlight can reach and warm the forest floor creating conditions where fire can quickly spread. To report a fire contact the Kentucky Division of Forestry office that serves your county—check out page 6 of this issue of the magazine for a map that has the phone numbers for each regional office.



Photo courtesy: Dale Wade, Rx Fire Doctor, Bugwood.org

Woodland Owners Short Course at the Kentucky Wood Expo



The final Woodland Owners Short Course of 2013 is being held in conjunction with the Kentucky Wood Expo. This unique opportunity will allow WOSC attendees to experience prearranged equipment demonstrations and experience many of the offerings of the Kentucky Wood Expo.

If you'd like to attend the WOSC, register at www.ukforestry.org or call 859.257.7597.



Upcoming Dates To Remember:

Date:	Event:	Location:	Contact:
September 20-21	Kentucky Wood Expo	Lexington, KY	502.695.3979
September 21	Woodland Owners Short Course	Lexington, KY	859.257.7597
October 1	Fall Webinar Series: Tree Identification	Various Counties	www.ukforestry.org
October 8	Fall Webinar Series: Woodland Management and Certification	Various Counties	www.ukforestry.org
October 22	Fall Webinar Series: Kentucky Waterfalls	Various Counties	www.ukforestry.org
November 5	Fall Webinar Series: Waterfowl Identification	Various Counties	www.ukforestry.org
November 12	Fall Webinar Series: Selling Timber	Various Counties	www.ukforestry.org

NEWS TO USE

Landowners Benefit from Certified Markets

Woodland owners in the region are beginning to take advantage of certified markets through price premiums and increased competition for the purchase of their timber. Timber buyers are traveling further outside their normal procurement zones to get certified timber. Certified timber sales generally have greater interest from buyers that purchase certified timber and pulpwood. This increased interest can aid in an increase in sale value. Price premiums for certified wood are also occurring.

The demand for certified material tends to be, but is not exclusive to areas with pulp and chip markets for paper manufacturers. This is because the paper industry has a strong interest from their clients in securing certified paper. However, there are many sawmills in Kentucky that are certified and are selling certified lumber, staves and other products. The markets are primarily dominated by wood from the Forest Stewardship Council but there is small demand from the American Tree Farm System. There are

limited markets for other certified products manufactured in Kentucky this is especially true for veneer and other products that find their way to the export market particularly to the European Union. However, there are some products such as railroad ties or pallets where there is no interest in certification.

Woodland owners can take advantage of these markets by getting certified through the Center for Forest and Wood Certification's FSC and American Tree Farm group certificates. Visit www.forestcertificationcenter.org or call toll-free 855.579.2690 for more information.



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Forestry Fall Webinar Series

Mark your calendar now for the Forestry Fall Webinar Series starting this October and running through November 12. Webinars will be hosted by participating county extension offices and for the first time woodland owners will be able to tune in from home if they have high-speed internet access. These webinars are a convenient way for you to increase your knowledge without having to travel long distances to attend programs. All webinars will be on Tuesday evenings and last approximately one hour.

Below are the dates and webinars titles:

- October 1: Tree Identification
- October 8: Woodland Management and Certification
- October 22: Kentucky Waterfalls
- November 5: Waterfowl Identification
- November 12: Selling Timber

For more information about the Forestry Fall Webinar Series visit www.ukforestry.org or call 859.257.7597.



Complete the Kentucky Woodlands Magazine Survey!!!!

Please make sure to complete the Kentucky Woodlands Magazine survey included in this issue or online at www.KWMSurvey.org. Survey results will allow us to provide readers with the content they want and need to better care for their woodlands. Thanks in advance for taking the time to share your feedback by completing the survey!

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1. d 4. b
2. b 5. c
3. b 6. a



Test Your Knowledge Review

Congratulations to M. Dattilo of Winchester, KY who was randomly chosen from the entries from the last quiz. He will receive a free copy of Identifying Kentucky's Forest Trees.