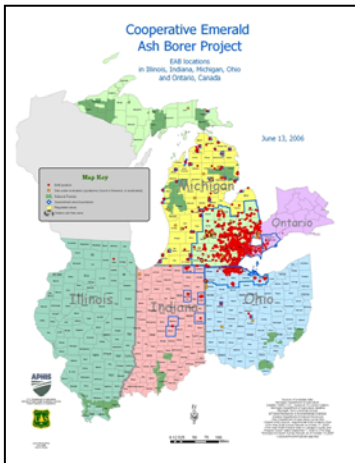


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Breaking news - Second EAB case found in Illinois

Another site that is infested with the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) was recently found in Kane County, Illinois. An EAB adult beetle was found in the yard of a home in Wilmette, a north suburb of Chicago. A resident discovered the beetle and reported to the authority. Several infested trees were also found at the site, and an initial survey of a five-block area revealed 16 trees exhibiting symptoms of EAB infestation. A more extensive survey will follow to assess the full extent of the infestation.



Emerald Ash Borer Specials - Renee Pinski
Emerald Ash Borer Found in Illinois: Follow-up survey update

Emerald ash borer infested ash trees were discovered near Lily Lake, Illinois (Kane County), just west of Chicago and 40 miles south of the Wisconsin border last month. This infestation is the first to be discovered in Illinois and is the closest known infestation to Wisconsin. Upon initial investigation, the infestation is thought to be 3-6 years old given the extensive damage to the trees identified so far. It appears that there have been several generations of emerald ash borer feeding. Initially, four properties with six trees were identified as infested by emerald ash borer. Since the

discovery, delimiting surveys (visual inspection only) suggest that the emerald ash borer has not spread beyond the limits of the subdivision. However, more surveys are to follow, when the Illinois Department of Agriculture will begin peeling the bark of trees that show signs of being infested by emerald ash borer.

Just how the emerald ash borer arrived in this Illinois subdivision is unknown. The neighborhood is about 30 years old with well established trees and there doesn't seem to be any recent nursery planting to account for an introduction. Could it possibly have hitched a ride in firewood? Some of the subdivision's residents are known to have summer homes in MI and may have possibly brought firewood back in the past.

Educating the public on and increasing their awareness for the emerald ash borer most likely helped bring this infestation to light. The homeowner reporting the finding, sensitized by local TV and radio news spots, went to a website when

she saw the beetles flying around. The website in turn gave her the instructions on how to report emerald ash borer.

Emerald Ash Borer Silvicultural Guidelines in progress

The silvicultural committee is currently discussing and putting together a draft of silvicultural guidelines for ash management in light of the eminent arrival of the emerald ash borer. The committee plans on having the guidelines established by the end of the year 2006. Stay tuned, as there will be more information available on this topic as the deadline approaches.

Emerald Ash Borer DNR Survey Update



Visual surveys are continuing in private campgrounds in south-central and central Wisconsin. As of 6/29/06 no emerald ash borer infestations have been detected in Wisconsin.

Detection tree surveys are now underway. Detection trees have been constructed and are being monitored throughout 28 of Wisconsin's state park and forest properties (see table). These properties were chosen based on their ash resource and the number of visitors that originate from areas that have emerald ash borer. As of 6/29/06 no emerald ash borer infestations have been detected.

Park or Forest	County
Amnicon Falls	Douglas
Big Bay	Ashland
Big Foot Beach	Walworth
Blue Mound	Iowa/Dane
Copper Falls	Ashland
Devil's Lake	Sauk
Governor Dodge	Iowa
High Cliff	Calumet
Interstate	Polk
Kettle Moraine Northern Unit - Long Lake	Fond du Lac
Kettle Moraine Northern Unit - Mauthe Lake	Fond du Lac
Kettle Moraine Southern Unit - Ottawa Lake	Waukesha
Kohler-Andrae	Sheboygan
Lake Kegonsa	Dane
Lake Wissota	Chippewa
Merrick	Buffalo
Mirror Lake	Sauk
Nelson Dewey	Grant
Pattison	Douglas
Peninsula	Door
Perrot	Trempealeau
Pike Lake	Washington
Point Beach	Manitowoc
Potawatomi	Door
Richard Bong	Kenosha
Rocky Arbor	Juneau/Sauk
Wildcat Mtn.	Vernon
Willow River	St. Croix
Wyalusing	Grant
Yellowstone Lake	Lafayette

