#### **Invasive Insect Pests**

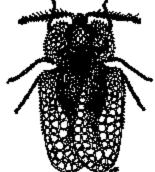
Winter Pesticide Recertification Meetings

#### Virginia Forest Pest Management Update Presented by

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#### Welcome to the Insect Identification Laboratory at Virginia Tech

#### A Service for Extension Agents and Citizens of Virginia



#### HTTP://WWW.FORESTPESTS.ORG/

#### "BUGWOOD"





#### Insects

Foliage Feeding Bark Beetles and Phloem Boring Wood Boring Terminal, Shoot, Twig and Root Seed, Cone, Flower and Fruit Sapsucking Insects and Mites Gall Makers Other Important Insects

http://www.hungrypests.com/

Also visit:

http://www.hungrypests.com/



### A FEW PHONE CALLS THIS SPRING WERE FROM PERIODICAL CICADA





#### FORECASTS FOR THE "CHOIR BOYS"

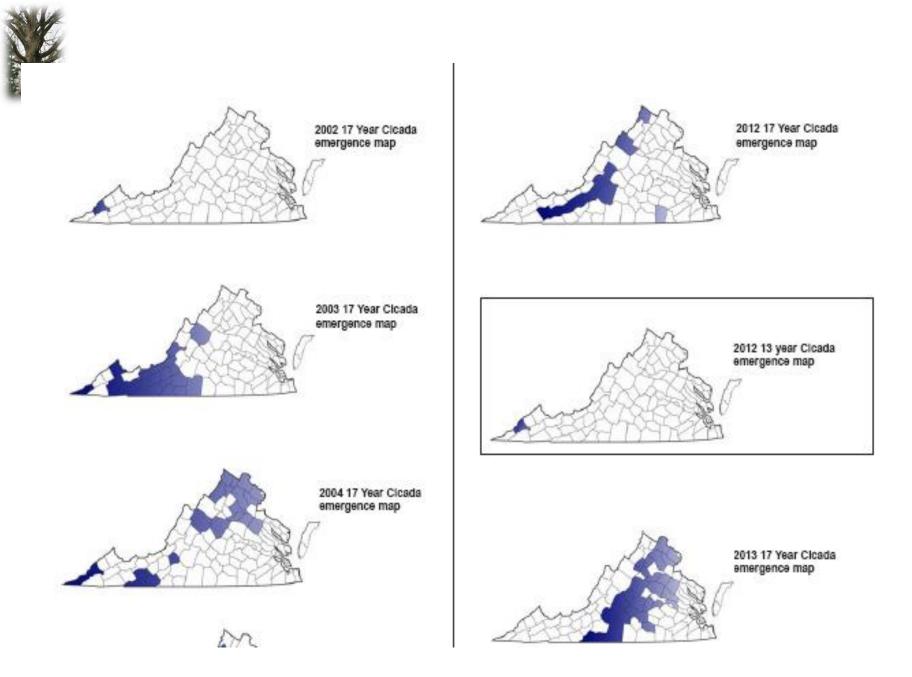
County	17 - year	13 - year
Brunswick	2012	2011
Buckingham	2013	
Cumberland	2013	
Lunenburg	2013	
Prince Edward	2013, 2017	
Pittsylvania	2013, 2020	

## Exit Holes from emerging pupae

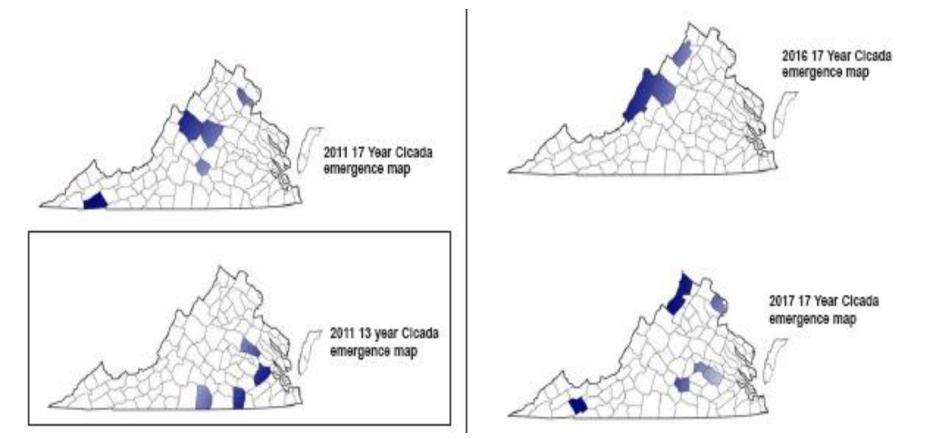


### Concerns only on fruit crops











### **Emerald Ash Borer Update**

#### Emerald Ash Borer - Agrilus planipennis Fairmaire, 1888



Adult emerald ash borer Photo by: David Cappaert, Michigan State University

Michigan Department of Agriculture

#### **Quarantine Information**

All movement of hardwood firewood, ash wood and wood products in Virginia and other guarantined areas is regulated. The following items may not be moved from quarantined areas without a compliance agreement:

- •all hardwood firewood
- ash nursery stock
- •ash green lumber

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant\_health/plant\_pest\_info/emerald\_ash\_b/background.shtml

- ash waste
- ash compost
- ash chips

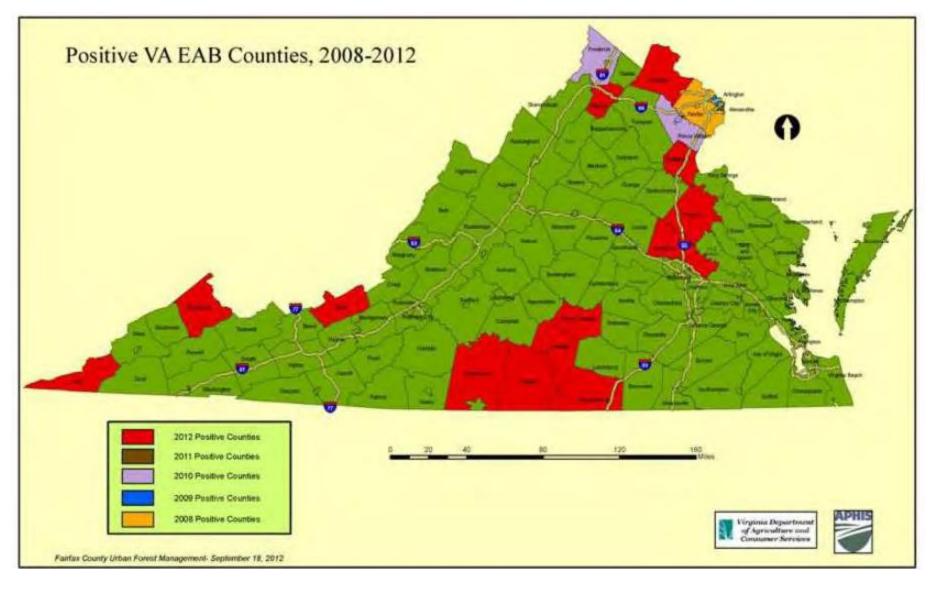


## Emerald Ash Borer History FACTS

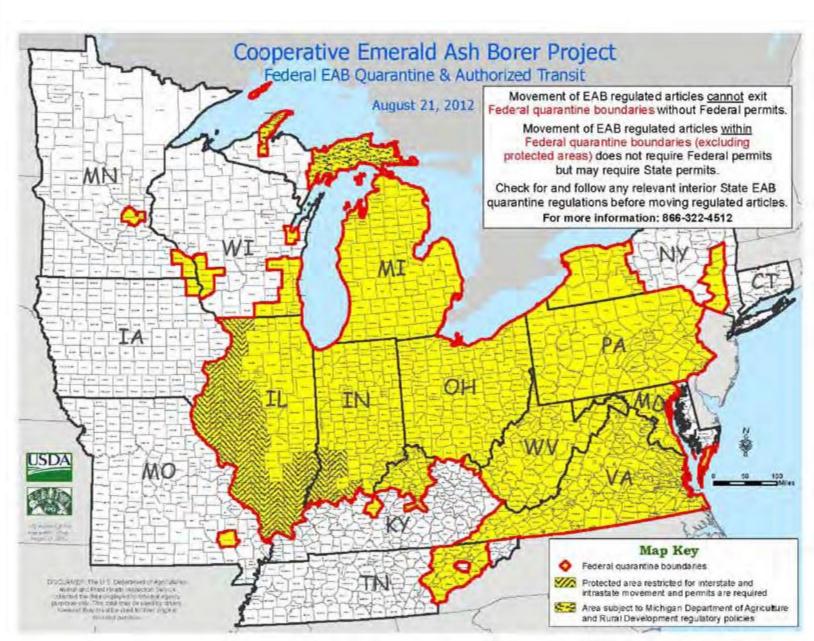
- First identified in Michigan in 2002
- Detected in Ohio in 2003
- Northern Indiana in 2004
- Northern Illinois and Maryland in 2006
- Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia in 2007
- Wisconsin, Missouri, and Virginia in 2008
- Minnesota and New York in 2009

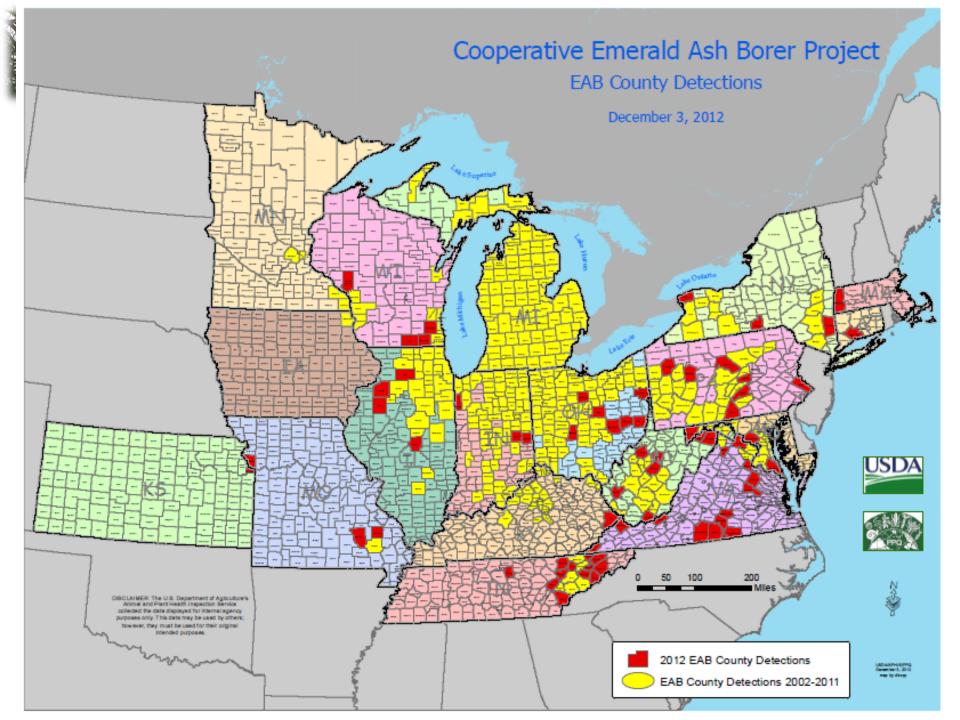


#### **Emerald Ash Borer Update**











#### EAB Control



Systemic options for parks and public areas

Research options with variable to little success have included: (USFS)

- 1. Imicide using Mauget capsules (has 10% imidacloprid)
- 2. Trunk injection with emamectin benzoate

3. A non-invasive trunk spray of Macho 2F (imidacloprid) + Pentra Bark (disease efficacy)

Biological Control – mainly parasitic wasps http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant\_health/plant\_pest\_info/emerald\_ash\_b/dow nloads/eab-biocontrol.pdf



#### Halifax Initial EAB find





#### Dead and dying Ash





#### D-shaped exit holes









## EAB Recommendations

- Do not move firewood buy it and burn it locally!
- Historical and "sensitive" sites may be treated with imidacloprid as a soil drench in late March – caution ot tocicity to pollinating insects and upland game birds if used in pelletized form
- Conduct a salvage cut before infestation occurs; recommend chipping within 18 months of infestation
- Visit <u>http://www.hungrypests.com/the-</u> <u>threat/emerald-ash-borer.php</u>



#### EAB Contacts

- Virginia: <u>Quarantine Information</u>
- Contact The Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services: 804-786-3515 for permits or quarantine questions.
- Or Virginia Cooperative Extension Agent Jason
  Fisher at 434-476-2147 jasonf@vt.edu
- Local VA Department of Forestry State
  Forester see <u>www.vdof.virginia.gov</u>



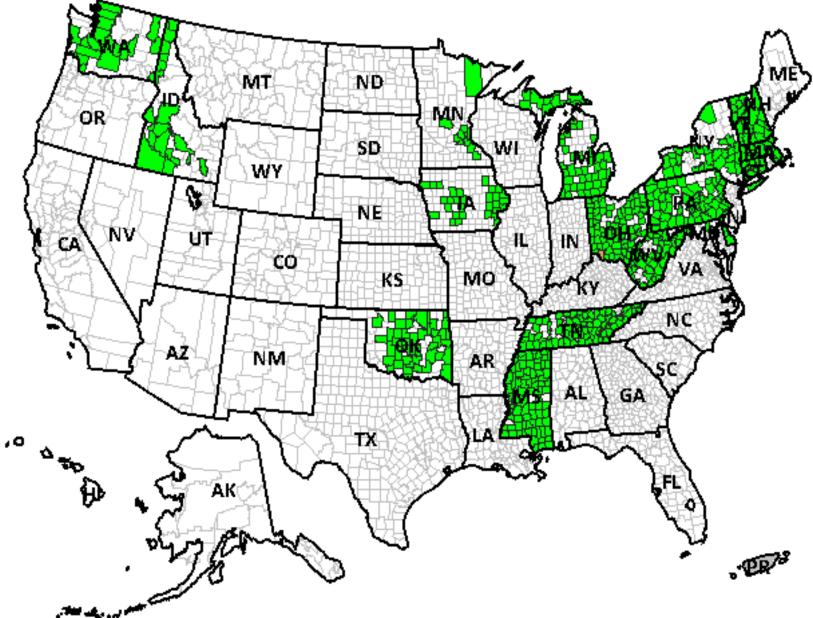
## Asian Longhorn Beetle New York 1988 Chicago 1991





#### 2010 to present

source http://pest.ceris.purdue.edu/map





### Host tree species for ALB





Female

# <u>Good Hosts</u> – Maple family, Elm family, Birch and Sycamore

#### <u>Occasional hosts</u> – Mimosa, hackberry, ash, poplar,

<u>Questionable hosts</u> – fruit trees, oak, black locust, basswood, alder

<u>Unlikely</u> – chinaberry, tree of heaven



#### www.invasivespecies.gov

- New Pheromone Traps Lure Asian Longhorned Beetles out of Hiding (Winter 2012) USDA. Forest Service.
   Entomologists from the U.S. Forest Service's Northern Research Station and Pennsylvania State University have developed a pheromone trap that lures Asian long-horned beetles out of hiding. Although it is not a treatment that can kill lots of beetles, this new trap is a major step forward in
  - being able to detect the beetle. It may be used for finding outliers and hidden infestations in quarantine zones and
  - standing sentry in high-risk areas

<u>S</u>earch



#### *Dendroctonus frontalis* Zimmermann, 1868

**English Common Name:** southern pine beetle **Taxonomic Rank:** Coleoptera: Scolytidae: Scolytinae: Hylesinini: Tomicina





















Insect	Description	Mode of Attack	Sign of Attack
Southern pine beetle	1/8 inch long, rounded posterior, with minute notch in	Bores under bark and girdles southern pines. Attacks middle and upper stem in fall and winter, and lower stem in spring and summer.	tubes on bark or just boring dust. S-shaped and criss-crossed

**Turpentine beetles** 

Light reddish brown or black beetles from  $\frac{1}{1}$  to  $\frac{1}{3}$  inch long with rounded posterior.

Girdles inner bark of stumps and butts of feed in groups. Usually found after fires, logging, or other disturbance.

Large pitch tubes on bark surface at tree larger pines. Larvae base. Tunnels in inner bark are rather shapeless cavities.



**Engraver beetles** or black beetles less than ¼ inch long with a posterior that looks cut off and scoopshaped.

Reddish dark-brown Bores under the bark and girdles small commercial trees.

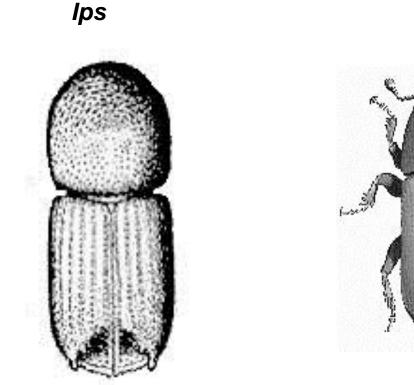
Small reddish pitch tubes on bark surface or just boring dust in cracks of bark or on ground. Y- or Hshaped tunnels parallel with wood grain on inside bark.



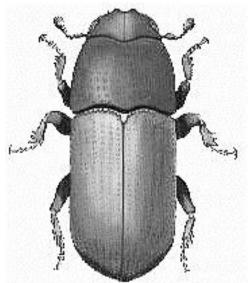


## Camparison of IPS engraver and Southern Pine Bark Beetle

(note concave rear abdomen of IPS)



SPB





#### Ips and some Turpentine in 2011





-Field edges particularly showed indication of individual pine tree mortality in parts of VA.

Drought-induced and
 "spotty" in nature



#### **Thousand Cankers Disease**

Geosmithia morbida (Proposed name)

- Associated with walnut
- Twig beetle

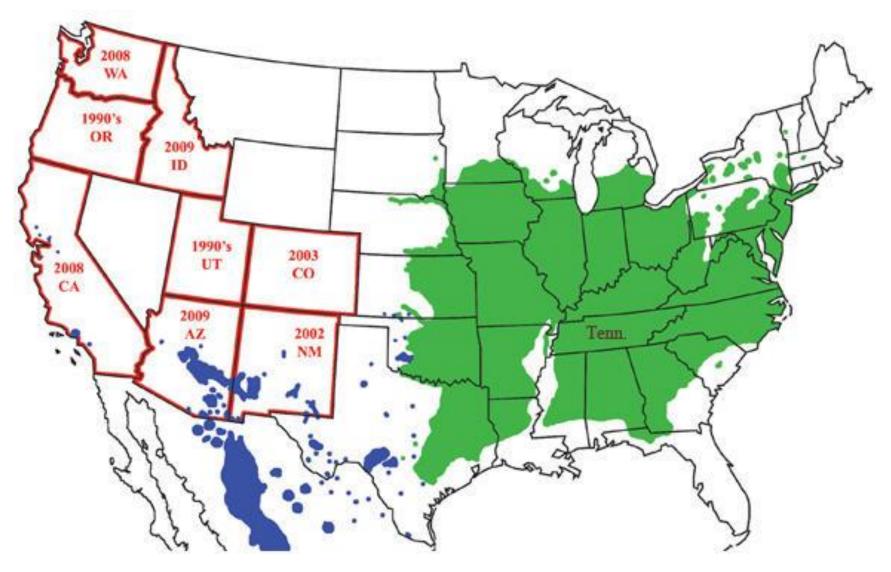






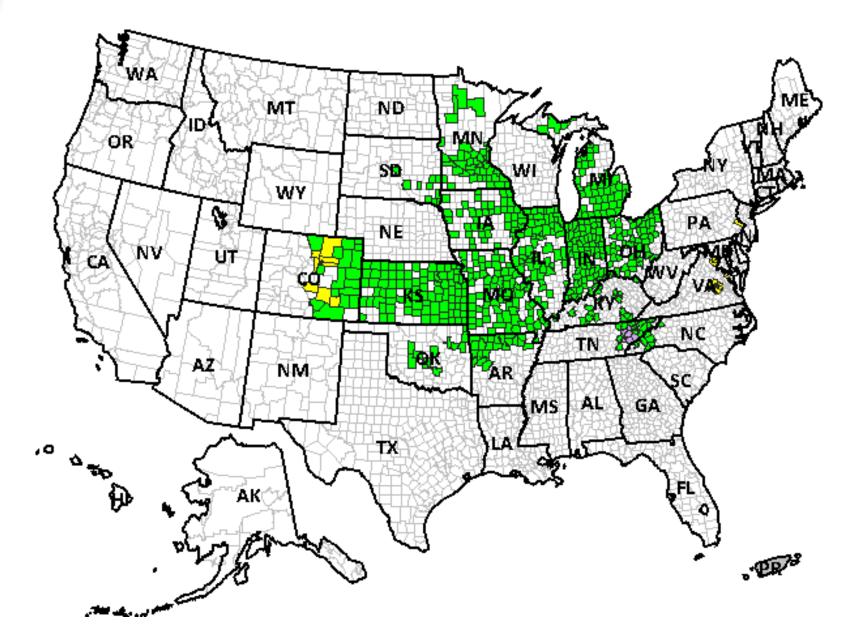
### **TCD** Distribution

http://forestthreats.org/





### TCD Map





#### Walnut Twig Beetle







### **TCD Control**

http://thousandcankerdisease.com/index.html

- Currently there are no known insecticide sprays that reliably control this disease.
- Treatments made after symptoms begin to appear are ineffective.
- <u>Trunk injected</u> fungicides combined with insecticides may be the most effective way to eliminate the <u>beetle</u> and the fungus. Additionally, <u>injected fertilizers</u> will assist in restoring the nutrients to the tree.



## **USDA APHIS Contacts for VA**

- To report an **animal** pest or disease, contact:
- Dr. Terry L. Taylor Area Veterinarian-in-Charge Federal Building 400 North 8th Street, Room 726 Richmond, VA 23219-4824 Phone: (804) 343-2560 Fax: (804) 343-2599
- To report a **plant** pest or disease, contact:

Bernetta Barco State Plant Health Director 5657 South Laburnum Avenue Richmond, VA 23231-4536 Phone: (804) 771-2042 Fax: (804) 771-2185



#### **Resources Review**

- http://www.idlab.ento.vt.edu/
- http://www.hungrypests.com/
- <u>http://www.forestpests.org/</u>
- AND SEE
- <u>http://pest.ceris.purdue.edu/index.php</u> for distribution maps on insects and plants



#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENDANCE



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