

### Survey Update

Surveyors have finished checking all the traps in the metro area at least once. Two adult emerald ash borers (EAB) have been found on one trap in the middle of the University of Minnesota, St. Paul campus off of Buford Ave.

Up-to-date survey data is available at <http://gis.mda.state.mn.us/eab/>.



Emerald Ash Borer

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### We Need Your Help!

If you, or anyone you know, will be taking down an ash tree that shows symptoms of emerald ash borer infestation in the metro area, the Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) would like to come out and inspect your tree for EAB. This inspection would be done at no cost and would greatly help in our efforts at controlling the spread of EAB!

If you are interested in taking MDA up on this wonderful opportunity, please contact the Arrest the Pest hotline by calling 651-201-6684 in the Metro area or 1-888-545-6684 in greater Minnesota or by emailing [arrest.the.pest@state.mn.us](mailto:arrest.the.pest@state.mn.us) and ask to be put in contact with the EAB survey staff.



White Ash

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### Quarantine Update

The final draft of the *formal* quarantine is currently in the Attorney General's (AG) office being reviewed. Once approved by AG, the language will make its way to the Commissioner of MDA for final approval.

Until this *formal* quarantine is officially enacted, the *emergency* quarantine is still in effect and can be found by visiting

[www.mda.state.mn.us/plants/pestmanagement/eabquarantine.htm](http://www.mda.state.mn.us/plants/pestmanagement/eabquarantine.htm).

### Compliance Agreements

A Compliance Agreement is a written agreement between a person and a regulatory agency to achieve compliance with regulatory requirements. As part of the Compliance Agreement process, regulated articles must be treated to a pre-determined set of standards and inspected before they are transported across quarantine boundaries. Some examples of these treatment options include:

#### *Hardwood Firewood*

Core of wood heated to a minimum of 160°F for a minimum of 75 minutes

#### *Pallets containing Ash Lumber*

Removal of bark and an additional ½ inch of wood

#### *Ash Branches*

Chip or mulch to 1 inch in 2 dimensions



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There is also an opportunity to transport regulated articles without treating them during the “non-flight” period of EAB. From October 1<sup>st</sup> through March 31<sup>st</sup>, regulated articles may be transported to a facility outside of the quarantine that is in compliance with MDA. The only requirement is that the transportation vehicles not make any stops until it reaches its final destination, except for refueling or traffic conditions. **Please remember, these treatments must be performed only under a Compliance Agreement, and all treated products must be certified by a government official unless otherwise noted.**

### Links and Resources

[Ash Tree Waste Disposal Sites within Ramsey, Hennepin & Houston Counties](#)

[Locations of Ash Tree Waste Disposal Sites in Ramsey-Hennepin-Houston County](#)