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The 2008 Emerald Ash Borer First Detector Program is now the 2009 Forest Pest First Detector Program.

The 2009 training is for:

- ⇒ Anyone who wants to become a Forest Pest First Detector
- ⇒ Refresher for 2008 EAB First Detectors
- ⇒ Anyone interested in forest pests

Do not have to become a Forest Pest First Detector to attend the class.

Forest Pest First Detectors—Minnesota. For more information and to register for the 2009 training see:

“Arrest the Pest” Hotline

www.mda.state.mn.us/invasives/eab

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Detecting Emerald Ash Borer and other forest pests first.

2009 Forest Pest First Detectors Training Brochure



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What is Forest Pest First Detector?



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First Detectors are a part of the Federal “National Plant Diagnostic Network (NPDN) First Detector program (that) promotes the early detection of invasive, exotic plant pathogens, arthropods, nematodes and weeds.”

Forest Pest First Detectors –Minnesota is designed to help identify the incident of Emerald Ash Borer and other forest pests in Minnesota and the counties. First Detectors are the front line of offense against identifying likely infestations. Forest Pest First Detectors participants will inevitably be meeting and working with the public, in that role information dissemination will be another important activity of a Forest Pest First Detector.

Additionally, attendees at the training will have the opportunity to become a Certified Tree Inspectors as the Tree Inspector exam will be offered after each class.

Pre-registration is required to attend the training, to take the Tree Inspector Exam and to sign up to be a Forest Pest First Detector. See website:

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Who should be a Forest Pest First Detector?

Anyone with a background in tree or forest health should consider becoming a Forest Pest First Detector. Before coming to class participants are:

- Able to identify common tree
 - Willing to be contacted and work with the public
 - Prepared and able to visit sites if necessary
 - Frequent users of the internet and e-mail
 - Ready to document EAB related activities, and
 - Able to guard confidential information.
 - Complete three on-line training modules
- Examples of potential EAB 1st Detectors include Master Volunteers (Woodland Advisors, Master Gardeners, Tree Care Advisors, etc), tree care professionals, forestry professionals, natural resource professions that work with trees, environmental educators, MN Conservation Corps participants, and others.

Being a Forest Pest First Detector

Forest Pest First Detectors need to complete three on-line training modules before attending the one day Forest Pest First Detector training and commit to being available and involved with the program after completing the training. Involvement includes being accessible, willing to do site visits if necessary, talking with the public, report forest pest related activities, protect confidential information, and notifying organizers of current contact information.



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Firewood from an EAB killed tree.

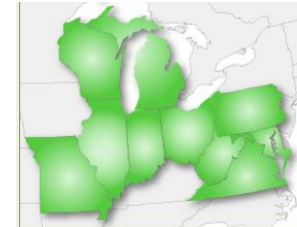
2009 Forest Pest First Detectors Training

- ⇒ Thursday, March 26, 2009
Crookston, MN
- ⇒ Tuesday, March 31, 2009
Hibbing, MN
- ⇒ Wednesday, April 1, 2009 (new)
Farmington, MN
- ⇒ Thursday, April 2, 2009
Farmington, MN
- ⇒ Tuesday April 7, 2009
Lamberton, MN

Must pre-register. No registrations accepted at the door day of training. o register see web site:

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States with EAB from emeraldashborer.info



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