

Not in My Backyard!

Help protect Michigan from destructive and harmful invasive species.

It eats maple trees for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Already in Ohio, the Asian longhorned beetle has its eyes fixed on Michigan, and it won't stop until all the maple trees are devoured. Larvae that feed by tunneling into the wood not only kill the tree, but are also being transported across state lines hiding inside logs destined for firewood.



Imagine a Michigan without any maple trees.

What's at stake? One billion maple trees. Not only would an Asian longhorned beetle invasion spell certain doom for one of the most prolific trees in Michigan, it would threaten, if not eliminate, the maple syrup industry that thrives here. Additionally, removing the dead or dying maple trees would be just as devastating to the recreation-based economy as it would be to the environment.

Prevention is key. You can help make a difference.

It is extremely difficult to control the spread of an invasive species once it is established. The most effective strategy against invasive species is to stop the spread ... and prevent their introduction on a local level.



Learn how to properly identify Asian longhorned beetles.



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