

EAB in the Rearview Mirror! Now What?

In this presentation, we will focus on what we have learned about the emerald ash borer, what worked and what did not, and how we can be better prepared the next time around an exotic invasive pest shows up. Specifically, we will discuss EAB BMPs for protecting our urban forest resource including having adequate tree diversity, the potential for biological control, host plant resistance, and consider taking trees off insecticide treatment, where appropriate.

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