K-State Bug Experts Prepare as EABs Approach



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MANHATTAN, Kans. – Entomologists at Kansas State University report that emerald ash borer (EAB) is approaching the state, but is advising the public not to panic, but to get informed instead.

They report that EAB was found just across the border in Missouri and was found previously (2008) in southeast Missouri. The EAB, a highly destructive invasive species, entered the United States via the Great Lakes sometime in the 1990s and was discovered in southeast Michigan in 2002. It has since spread and has killed tens of millions of ash trees in the eastern United States.

K-State entomologists report that if you deal with trees, or you deal with people who might have questions about EAB, there is a wealth of information available.

Also, don't forget that ash can decline for many reasons so if you see ash declining do not jump to any conclusions. Take some time to investigate, take photos, and contact entomologists at your nearest land grant university, your state forest service or department of agriculture.

There is some information about EAB in this week's KSU Entomology newsletter:

(starts on page 2) www.entomology.ksu.edu/doc5042.ashx.

Click <u>here</u> for some insecticide options for protecting ash trees.