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Every day, APHIS works to protect the health and value of America's agricultural and natural resources. These articles and maps tell a story about how we are tackling some of the biggest issues facing U.S. agriculture and natural resources today.

[Featured Story: Safeguarding American Agriculture and Ecosystems Against Biological Threats](#)

Together with our partners, we carry out the strongest avian influenza surveillance program in the world.

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Interactive Maps and Stories

As an animal and plant health agency, geographic information systems (GIS) are critical to our work. We survey for pests and diseases, set quarantine boundaries, and track wildlife hazards, among other tasks that require spatial awareness. We use GIS to visualize, analyze, and interpret data, formulate policy, and make operational decisions. GIS technology ensures we are more efficient in our work, which leads to cost savings, better record keeping, and improved communication internally and externally. The interactive maps in this gallery represent APHIS' many programs.

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These stories highlight some of our most successful and impactful programs and activities.

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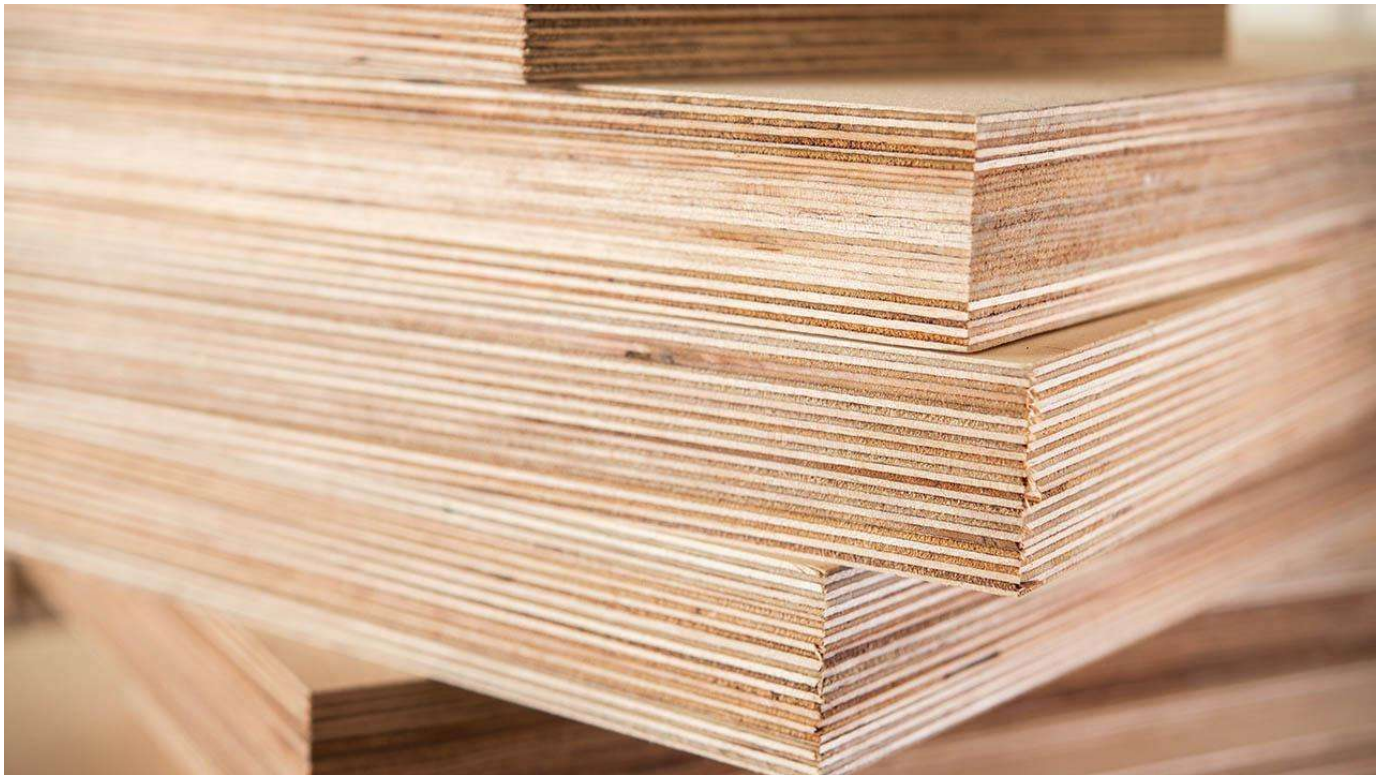
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National Wildlife Research Center researchers are dedicated to finding biologically sound, practical, and effective solutions for resolving wildlife damage management issues. The following spotlights showcase our expertise and holistic approach to addressing today's wildlife-related challenges.

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