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Quarantine Notice for Asian Longhorned Beetle (Anoplophora glabripennis)

This Federal Order is issued pursuant to the regulatory authority provided by the Plant Protection Act of June 20, 2000, as amended, Section 412(a), 7 U.S.C. 7712(a), which authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to prohibit or restrict the movement in interstate commerce of any plant, plant part, or article, or means of conveyance, if the Secretary determines the prohibition or restriction is necessary to prevent the dissemination of a plant pest within the United States and is likewise issued pursuant to the regulations promulgated under the Plant Protection Act found at 7 CFR 301.51.

Effective immediately, the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) is establishing a quarantine area in the Township of Tate of Clermont County, Ohio, and the entire acreage of East Fork State Park in response to a confirmed detection of Asian longhorned beetle (ALB) in this area. The ALB quarantine area in southern Ohio totals 56 square miles. The APHIS Administrator has determined that it is necessary to establish quarantine areas in these locations to prevent the human-assisted spread of ALB. Therefore, effective immediately, all interstate movement of ALB regulated articles from the above described area must be done in accordance with the regulations promulgated pursuant to the Plant Protection Act found at 7 CFR 301.51 *et seq.* and any applicable provisions of this Federal Order.

Section 7 CFR 301.51-3(a) allows the designation of less than an entire State as an ALB quarantined area only when the Administrator of APHIS has determined, as in this case, that such a designation is adequate to prevent the interstate spread of this pest. In addition, 7 CFR 301.51-3(a) requires that the State enforces an intrastate ALB quarantine that is equivalent to the Federal ALB regulations. The Ohio Department of Agriculture has established an intrastate quarantine for a portion of Clermont County and the entire acreage of East Fork State Park that mirrors the Federal regulatory requirements as specified in 7 CFR 301.51.

APHIS has confirmed ALB infestations in various areas of the United States for which the Administrator has determined that it is necessary to regulate these areas in order to prevent the human-assisted spread of ALB. The quarantine areas established to contain the spread of ALB are designated in the Federal regulations located at 7 CFR 301.51-3 and in the Federal Orders, which are located at the following APHIS website:

 $\underline{http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/plant_pest_info/asian_lhb/spro.shtml}$

For more information about APHIS' ALB Eradication Program, you may contact Christine Markham, National ALB Program Director, at (919) 855-7328, or Dr. Brendon Reardon, National ALB Program Manager, at (301) 734-5705.

APHIS appreciates the cooperative relationship with the State of Ohio in the effort to prevent the spread of ALB.