

FOR INFORMATION AND ACTION
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Subject: APHIS Adds All of Illinois to the Pine Shoot Beetle (*Tomicus piniperda* (L.))
Regulated Area

To: State and Territory Agricultural Regulatory Officials

Effective immediately, the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) is expanding its pine shoot beetle regulated area to include all of Illinois. APHIS is taking this action at the state's request and in response to the confirmation of pine shoot beetle detections in multiple counties in Illinois.

The attached Federal Order describes the new regulated area and includes the associated reference to the regulatory requirements in the Code of Federal Regulations (7 CFR §301.50), which lists the provisions for the movement of pine shoot beetle host material. This action, which is effective immediately, is necessary to restrict the movement of PSB-host material to noninfested areas of the United States.

For more information concerning APHIS' Pine Shoot Beetle Regulatory Program, please call National Policy Manager Karen Maguylo at 301-851-3128. For information on the regulatory requirements for the interstate movement of articles out of Illinois, please call Acting State Plant Health Director Greg Rentschler at 847-699-2417.

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Attachment: Federal Order

FEDERAL ORDER

Domestic Quarantine of Entire State of Illinois for Pine Shoot Beetle (*Tomicus piniperda* (L.))

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This Federal Order expands the list of regulated areas for pine shoot beetle (PSB) to include all of Illinois.

This Federal Order is issued in accordance with the regulatory authority provided by the Plant Protection Act of June 20, 2000, as amended, Section 412 (a), 7 U.S.C. 7712 (a). The Act authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to prohibit or restrict the movement in interstate commerce of any plant, plant part, or article, if the Secretary determines the prohibition or restriction is necessary to prevent the dissemination of a plant pest within the United States. This Federal Order is also issued pursuant to the regulations promulgated under the Plant Protection Act found at 7 CFR 301.50.

Effective immediately, this Federal Order quarantines all of Illinois for PSB. This action responds to the detection of PSB in this state. To prevent the spread of PSB, the Administrator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) finds it necessary to regulate Illinois. Accordingly, all interstate movement of PSB regulated articles from Illinois must be done in accordance with any applicable provisions of this Federal Order and the regulations promulgated pursuant to the Plant Protection Act found at 7 CFR 301.50 *et seq* and the Federal Orders located at:

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/planthealth/pine_shoot_beetle

Section 7 CFR §301.50-3(b) provides for the temporary designation of new quarantine areas pending the publication of a rule to add those new quarantine areas to the list shown in 7 CFR §301.50-3(c). Furthermore, Section 7 CFR §301.50-3(b) requires written notification to the property owners in a newly quarantined area, advising them of the quarantine and the necessity of complying with APHIS' requirements for the interstate movement of regulated articles. This is the responsibility of the federal and/or state regulatory personnel who are responsible for the PSB program in the affected state.

Previous Federal Orders pertaining to the expansion of quarantined areas in the PSB domestic regulations have been necessary due to the continuing spread of PSB. This Federal Order further expands the quarantined areas as described in the previous PSB Federal Orders.

For more information concerning APHIS' Pine Shoot Beetle Regulatory Program, you may call PSB National Policy Manager Karen Maguylo at 301-851-3128. For information on the regulatory requirements to move articles out of quarantined areas in Illinois, please call Acting APHIS State Plant Health Director Greg Rentschler at 847-699-2417.

We continue to appreciate the cooperative relationship with Illinois in our effort to prevent the spread of PSB.