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Introducing Our New Firewood & Forest Pests Newsletter



Hello and welcome to Don't Move Firewood's new and improved newsletter! We're thrilled to bring you fresh content, helpful tips, and important updates on firewood, forest pests and pathogens, and forest health protection. You are receiving this because you either subscribed to an earlier version of our FOCI newsletter or attended a session at the Continental Dialogue on Non-native Forest Insects and Diseases in October 2024 (in association with the NAISMA conference). *If you do NOT wish to receive any more of our content, please hit the unsubscribe button at the bottom of this email.* But if you want to stay on our list, just keep reading below- we hope to send out a newsletter monthly from here on out.

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Holiday Greenery

Christmas trees and other festive greenery smell great and bring about that holiday nostalgia we adore... but they can also carry harmful forest pests. Luckily we have best practices in our back pocket for indulging in holiday decor without compromising forest health- as well as for safely disposing of them when January rolls around. Check out our [Holiday Greenery page](#) now and share away!

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DMF IS HIRING SOON!

Great news! We're on the lookout for someone to help expand our partnerships and outreach in the Pacific Northwest. Oregon has recently detected 3 new populations of emerald ash borer in 2024 after initial detection in summer of 2022. To reduce the firewood-associated spread of EAB in this region, the Don't Move Firewood team will be adding a temporary (6 month) position in 2025 to help us broaden and strengthen our outreach presence. Big thanks to the USFS Region 6 team for funding this collaborative work. If you or someone you know wishes to be notified when the position is open for applications on TNC's careers page, email us [here](#).

Firewood Regulation Updates

Pennsylvania recently updated their [Firewood Quarantine](#). They now require any firewood or wood intended for firewood entering the state to be certified, heat-treated to 71.1C (160F) for 75 minutes. Labeling requirements are also included.

We keep track of all firewood-relevant regulations and outreach webpages in our handy-dandy [Firewood Comparison Report](#). Each state has a detailed summary page in the appendices. We're pleased to say that a new version is in the final, fact-checking stage. Be on the lookout for the updated publication soon, and remember to send folks looking for a less technical, succinct summary of each state and province to our [Firewood Map](#)!

Forest Pests In the News

[Spotted lanternflies in the US are living longer - and cities may be helping them spread](#)

Science Daily; Dec 5, 2024

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