

FOR INFORMATION
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SUBJECT: Pine Shoot Beetle (PSB), *Tomicus piniperda*, Notice of Quarantined Area

TO: STATE AND TERRITORY AGRICULTURAL REGULATOR OFFICIALS

This memorandum provides notification, effective immediately, for quarantine of Trempealeau County, Wisconsin, for PSB, *Tomicus piniperda*. This action results from the recent trapping of PSB in Trempealeau County. All interstate movement of regulated articles from Trempealeau County must comply with the PSB regulatory requirements per 7 CFR301.50.

This action is authorized by 7 CFR 301.50-3 (b) which provides temporary designation of newly regulated areas pending publication of a rule to add new areas to the list shown in 7 CFR 301.50-3 (c).

The 7 CFR 301.50-3 (b) further requires written notification be given to the owner or person(s) in possession of a newly quarantined area. This is the responsibility of the Federal and State regulatory personnel in charge of the PSB program in the affected state.

Prior to August 15, 2005, the State Plant Regulatory Official for Wisconsin must confirm the establishment of intra-state quarantine for Trempealeau County that mirrors the Federal regulatory requirements as specified in 7 CFR301.50, or the entire state will be regulated for PSB as of that date. The confirmation should be made in writing to the APHIS State Plant Health Director for Wisconsin.

If you wish more details on the Federal regulatory program, you may contact Staff Officer Weyman Fussell at (301) 734-5705. For information on the PSB survey and trapping program, please contact your state plant health director.

We continue to appreciate the cooperative relationship with the state of Wisconsin to prevent the interstate spread of PSB.

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