SUBJECT: Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) (*Agrilus planipennis*)

TO: STATE AND TERRITORY AGRICULTURAL REGULATORY OFFICIALS

The subject of this SPRO memorandum is to provide notification that APHIS is expanding the quarantine area to include all counties in the Lower Peninsula of Michigan. This action is necessary to prevent the spread of EAB to non-infested areas of the United States.

All interstate movement of regulated articles from these areas listed above must comply with the EAB regulatory requirements per 7 CFR 301.53. This action is authorized by 7 CFR 301.53-3 (b) which provides for temporary designation of newly regulated areas, pending publication of a rule to add new areas to the list shown in 7 CFR 301.53-3 (c).

The 7 CFR 301.53-3 (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 EAB program in the affected state(s).

This action is effective immediately. Attached are the [Federal Domestic Quarantine Order](#) for the subject action and the [Appendix A](#) for the counties in the Lower Peninsula of Michigan. If you wish more details on the Federal regulatory program, you may contact Staff Officer Deborah McPartlan at (301) 734-5356. For information on the EAB survey program, please contact your state plant health director.

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