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 JoDaviess County and Stark County, Illinois, for PSB, *Tomicus piniperda*. This action results from the capture of beetles in the subject counties. All interstate movement of regulated articles out of JoDaviess and Stark counties must comply with the PSB regulatory requirements per 7CFR301.50.

This action is authorized by 7 CFR 301.50-3 (b) which provides for temporary designation 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 31, 2005, the State Plant Regulatory official for Illinois must confirm the establishment of an intra-state quarantines for JoDaviess County and Stark County that mirror the Federal Regulatory requirements as specified in 7CFR301.50, 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 Illinois.

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 Illinois to prevent the interstate spread of PSB.

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