

**Emerald ash borer: will we kiss our ash goodbye?**

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Emerald ash borer (*Agrilus planipennis*) has become one of the most important invasive forest pests in North America. This phloem-feeding pest was first identified as the cause of widespread ash mortality in southeast Michigan and Ontario in 2002. Tens of millions of ash (*Fraxinus* sp.) trees have been killed since then and the potential economic and ecological impacts of EAB are staggering. Dr. McCullough will present an update on the biology and impacts of the EAB, identify why it has been so difficult to control and discuss new options that may help to manage or slow the advance of EAB.