

Forest Health Monitoring Program Monthly Update October 2013

WHAT'S NEW

Forest Health Monitoring at the upcoming Society of American Foresters 2013 National Convention in Charleston, SC. The Forest Health Monitoring Program National Poster will be displayed in the exhibit booth area. Examples of FHM current and recent research will be highlighted along with various reports, factsheets, and other publications relevant to forest health. Copies of the State Highlights will also be available. Please come say hello and see what FHM is doing!

UPCOMING EVENTS

(Items beginning with * indicate a new listing or new information added)

October 23-27, 2013. Charleston, SC. Society of American Foresters 2013 National Convention. Information about the Society of American Foresters (SAF) 2013 National Convention is now available on the SAF website www.safnet.org. Click on the 2013 National Convention link. Details about the call for presentations and posters, the program, travel, and other topics are available.

November 4-5, 2013. Pittsburgh, PA. The Ninth Meeting of the Continental Dialogue on Non-Native Forest Insects and Diseases. The meeting will be held in conjunction with the Arbor Day Foundation's Partners in Community Forestry National Conference. This year's speakers for the Continental Dialogue will be local partners, educators, business professionals and Continental Dialogue members. All are welcome and a diverse range of topics will be covered. There will be updates and expert discussions on current Continental Dialogue activities: Healthy Trees, Healthy Cities efforts; Don't Move Firewood and Firewood Outreach Coordinating Initiative; solid wood packaging materials, Sentinel Plant network and American Public Gardens; apps, social media, and forest pests; local successes and experiences; implications of expansion of Panama Canal. Attendees are highly encouraged to participate in the planned Arbor Day Foundation field trips on November 6th. At this time, trips to see local examples of emerald ash borer and oak wilt damage are being planned in conjunction with the Arbor Day Foundation. In the coming months, register for the Continental Dialogue meeting by visiting the Arbor Day Foundation Partner and Community Forestry Conference site (www.arborday.org/pcf) and select the option for the Continental Dialogue Meeting. The agenda is available at www.continentalforestdialogue.org. For more information about the meeting visit the meeting website or contact Leigh Greenwood at The Nature Conservancy (lgreenwood@tnc.org), or the meeting facilitation team at RESOLVE: Debbie Lee (dlee@resolv.org) or Beth Weaver (bweaver@resolv.org).

January 14-16, 2014. Conecuh National Forest, southern AL. The Southwide Forest Disease Workshop. The meeting will be held at the Solon Dixon Education Center, a 5000 acre demonstration forest used by a number of universities, and State and federal agencies interested in natural resources. Plans are to have research abstracts for paper presentations, project reviews/station reports, a field trip, a poster session, and graduate student competition. The deadline for registration is December 1, 2013. For more information including registration, lodging, and all deadlines, visit the meeting website: <https://fp.auburn.edu/sfws/enebak/swfdw/swfdw.html>.

March 18-20, 2014. Quebec City, Quebec, Canada. The 2014 Northeastern Forest Pest Council Meeting. **SAVE THE DATE!** The meeting will be held in Quebec City - Tuesday March 18 A.M. to Thursday March 20 noon (2.5 days) at the Delta Quebec <https://www.deltahotels.com/Hotels/Delta-Quebec>. Don't forget that all U.S. members will need to have a current passport. More information about the NEFPC can be found at: <https://sites.google.com/site/northeasternforestpestcouncil/>.

PUBLICATIONS OF INTEREST

- 1. Eastern Forest Environmental Threat Assessment Center.** 2013. Forest ThreatNet, the August/September 2013 edition of the Eastern Forest Environmental Threat Assessment Center's newsletter. Available online: <http://forestthreats.org/products/newsletters>
- 2. Prestemon, J. P.; Abt, K.L.; Potter, K.M.; Koch, F.H.** 2013. A West-wide financial assessment of timber salvage opportunities in response to the mountain pine beetle epidemic. Western Journal of Applied Forestry. 28(4):143-153. DOI:10.5849/wjaf.12-032
- 3. Riitters, Kurt; Potter, Kevin; Tkacz, Borys.** 2013. Forest health monitoring in the United States: focus on national reports. Proceedings of the International Symposium on Forest Health, Seoul, Korea, September, 2013, pp. 12-27.

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