

Forest Health Monitoring Program Monthly Update - Supplement April 30, 2018

UPCOMING WEBINARS

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

***May 2, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. Mountain time. Invasive Insects of Shade Trees: A 30 Year Perspective from Colorado.** (Sponsored by the Utah State University Forestry Extension and The TREEFUND) Speaker: Dr. Whitney Cranshaw (Professor, Extension Specialist, Colorado State University). Dr. Cranshaw will discuss the ever-changing cast of new and invasive tree insects that have become issues in the Rocky Mountain States over the past 30 years. CEU available: Society of American Foresters – 1 hour; International Society of Arboriculture – 1 hour if viewed live. To register for this free webinar, visit the [webinar information site](#) . Plan to join the webinar 15 minutes early.

Job Opportunities

The Maine Forest Service Forest Health Monitoring is currently advertising an Entomologist II to be located in Augusta, ME. This is a permanent full-time position. This is professional scientific work administering a statewide forest entomology survey program. Work includes overseeing and conducting insect surveys and evaluations, monitoring insect and host conditions. Work is performed under limited supervision. Supervision may be exercised over subordinate personnel. Representative tasks (A position may not be assigned all the duties listed, nor do the listed examples include all the duties that may be assigned):

- Designs, administers, and coordinates general baseline entomology survey programs to support established unit goals and objectives to provide timely information to clientele and to determine which pests require survey and evaluation beyond baseline monitoring.
- Plans, prepares, conducts, and oversees forest insect investigations, field studies, and pest management activities determining pest populations and damages; host responses, and effectiveness of control efforts and recommendations to assure proper project completion and resource protection.
- Provides diagnostic service and technical advice regarding insect problems to landowners, resource managers, the public, municipalities, and other agencies to assess problems and recommend management options which enhance and protect forest and shade tree resources.
- Analyzes, translates, and uses laboratory and field data to determine program effectiveness and prepare technical reports and recommendations.

- Presents findings and recommendations to the scientific community, government officials, landowner representatives, and the public to provide information and a basis for decision making.
- Prepares technical reports, information sheets, workshops, and exhibits, to inform and educate landowners, resource managers, interested groups and the public about pest and forest and shade tree conditions, survey activities, and pest management recommendations.
- Develops and oversees process for converting current and historical hard copy insect and disease records to electronic format to amplify internal FHM division information storage, manipulation and integration capabilities and to facilitate sharing info with cooperators.
- Attends national and regional meetings to exchange information and maintain professional competence.
- Curates state forest insect collection.
- Provides general support for Bureau and Division activities doing other duties as assigned.

The position open date is April 18, 2018 and the close date is May 11, 2018. The position number is 01713-2311. Qualifications and instructions for applying are available in the [position listing](#). For further information, please call Dave Struble at 207-287-4981. *Maine State Government is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. We provide reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with disabilities upon request.*

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