

Emerging Invasive Insects In Eastern New York



ICS Full Scale Exercise

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Historical Invasive Insects Pests In Eastern New York

Grape berry moth , <i>Lobesia botrana</i> ([Dennis & Schiffermuller])	Tortricidae; Lepidoptera
Oriental fruit moth , <i>Grapholita molesta</i> (Busck)	Tortricidae; Lepidoptera
Apple maggot , <i>Rhagoletis pomonella</i> (Wash, 1867)	Tephritidae; Diptera
Oystershell scale , <i>Lepidosaphes ulmi</i> (Linnaeus)	Diaspididae; Hemiptera
San Jose scale , <i>Quadraspidiotus perniciosus</i> (Comstock)	Diaspididae; Hemiptera
Rose leafhopper , <i>Edwardsiana rosae</i> (Linnaeus)	Cicadellidae; Homoptera
Japanese beetle , <i>Popillia japonica</i> Newman,	Scarabaeidae; Coleoptera
Pear psylla , <i>Cacopsylla pyricola</i> Foerster,	Homoptera: Psyllidae
European red mite , <i>Panonychus ulmi</i> ,	Acari: Tetranychidae



Historical Invasive Insects In Eastern New York

Factors Contributing to Invasive Insect Success

- Size of the introduced population (the larger the number, the higher the probability of establishment).
- Aggressiveness (how well it out competes native species)
- Many generations (producing high populations)
- Rapid dispersal
- Ecological niche with suitable climate and available food
- Absence natural enemy complex (parasites and predators)



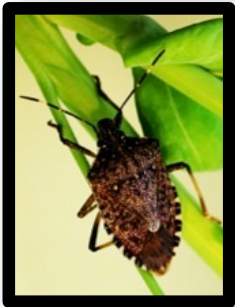
Emerging Insect Problems In Eastern New York

Newly Invasive Insects Presently Causing Damage to Fruit



Spotted Wing
Drosophila (SWD)
2011

- Very aggressive
- non-competitive niche
- Many hosts
- 6-13 generations / season
- Flight distribution



Brown Marmorated
Stink Bug (BMSB)
1997 PA?
2008 (NY)

- Very aggressive
- Low-competitive niche
- Many hosts (arboreal)
- 1-2 generations
- Flight distribution to hosts



Black Stem
Borer (BSB)
1932

- Opportunistic to tree stress
- Low-competitive niche
- Many hosts (arboreal)
- 2 generations
- Flight distribution to hosts

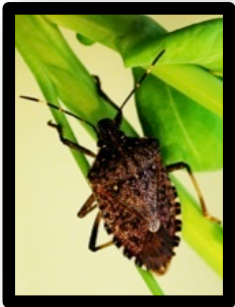


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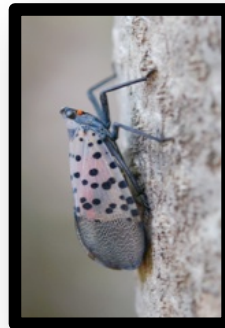


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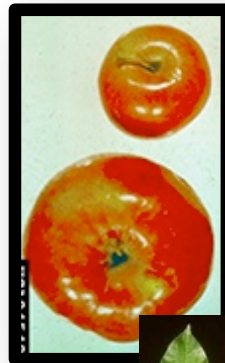
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Newly Invasive Insects & Disease with High Potential to Damage Tree Fruit

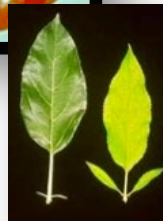


Spotted Lanternfly (SLF)
E.PA Fall 2014

High Potential to Become Invasive



Apple Proliferation Phytoplasma (APP)
Apple psylla: Candidatus Phytoplasma mali
Europe 2012



New Pest Update: Spotted Lanternfly. Hemiptera: Fulgoridae

- The **Spotted Lanternfly**, *Lycorma delicatula* (White), is a planthopper from Asia, specifically found in China (Anhui, Beijing, Guangdong, Hebei, Jiangsu, Shaanxi, Shandong, Shanghai, Sichuan, Tianjin, Zhejiang), Japan (at least in Honshu), Korea Republic (introduced in the 2000s and invasive), Taiwan, Vietnam. First found in Pikes County, Boyertown, PA in the fall of 2014.



Adult spotted lanternfly (*Lycorma delicatula*).
Source <http://hojae.net/520>.



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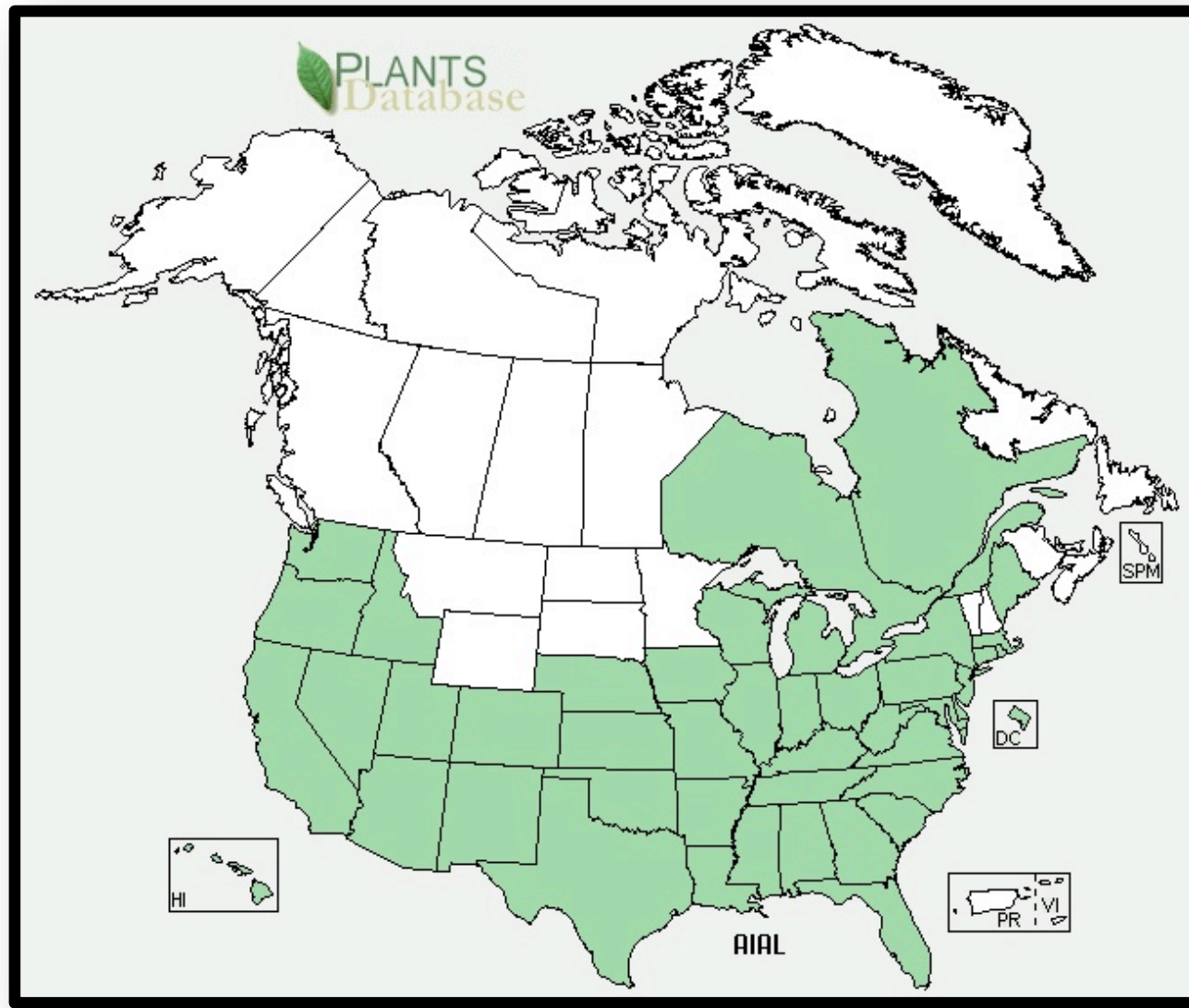
Spotted Lanterfly. Hemiptera: Fulgoridae

- It is an invasive insect in Korea where it was introduced in 2006 and since has attacked 25 plant species.
- In the U.S. it has the potential to greatly impact >70 plant host species including grape, apple, pine and stone fruit. Feeding to grape can lead to vine mortality.
- Will feed on tree fruit. Observed on maple
- Adults appear in July & move to **Tree of Heaven** (*Ailanthus altissima*)
- SLF utilizes Tree of heaven for egg laying beginning in October.



New Pest Update: Tree of Heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*) (P. Mill.) Swingle

Chinese Sumac, stinking shumac, copal tree, varnish tree



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New Pest Update: Tree of Heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*) (P. Mill.) Swingle

Tree of Heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*); Family: Quassia Family (*Simaroubaceae*): Tropical

- Native to Asia; China, Taiwan, Korea (China to Europe – 1740s; United States in 1784.)
- Rapid growth: mature trees grow from 56' to 90' in height.
- A cosmopolitan urban / roadway weed tree, adaptable and pollution tolerant.
- **Intolerant of low light**
- **Highly invasive species:** prolific seed producer, grows rapidly, overruns native vegetation.
- **Produces toxins** that prevent the establishment of other plant species.
- **Spreads by seeds and root suckers.** Suckers may appear as much as 150 ft (45 m) from the trunk (Jacobson, 1996). Its root system is aggressive enough to cause damage to sewers and foundations.
- Smooth leaves have **strong unpleasant smell** when crushed



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Resembles **Staghorn Sumac** (*Rhus typhina*).

- Leaves don't smell.
- Stems fuzzy.
- Red fuzzy fruit in compact cone shaped cluster
- Low spreading growth



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Tree of Heaven (*A. altissima*): Urban soils, railroad tracks, bridges, roadways



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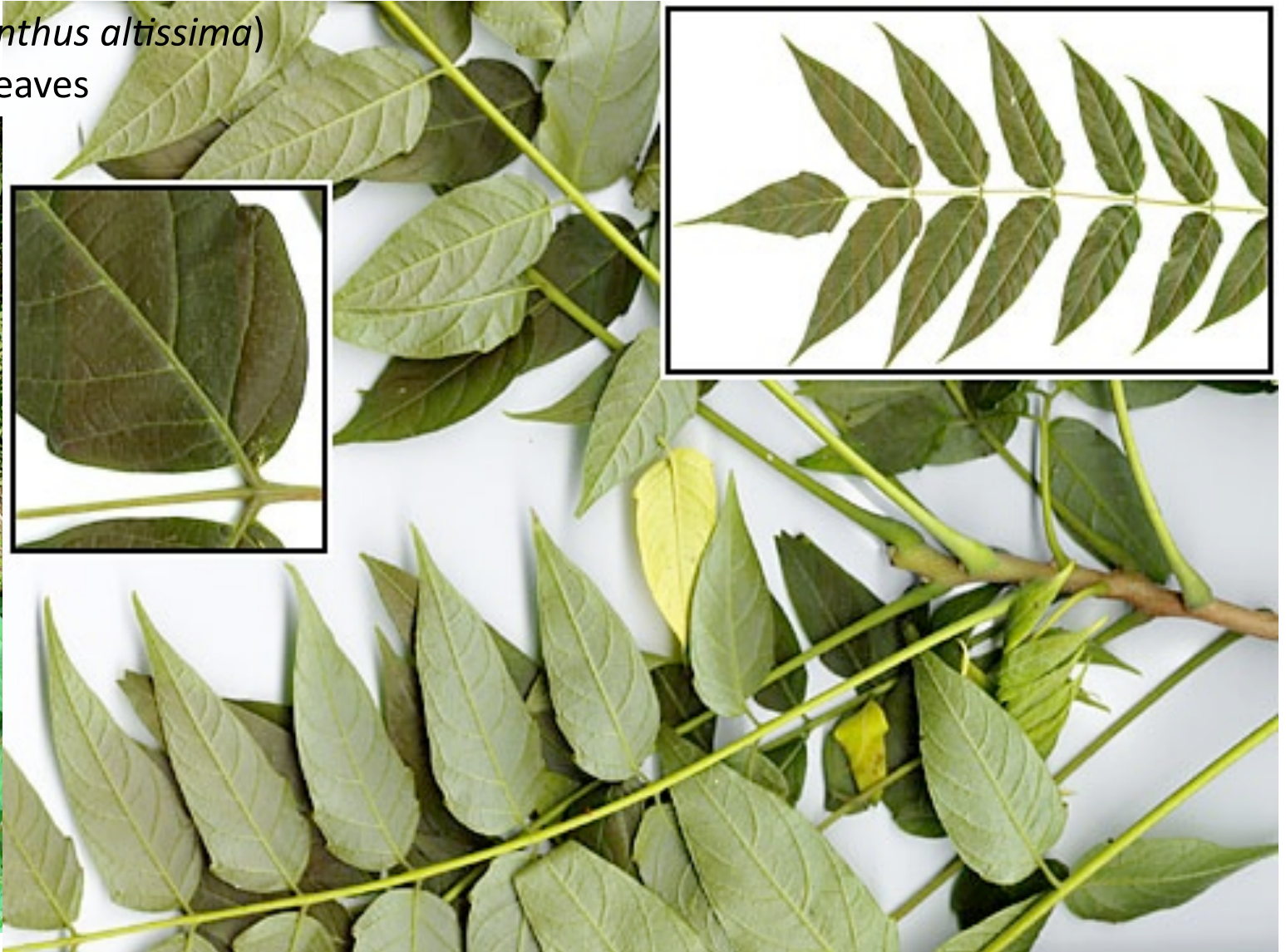
Tree of Heaven (*A. altissima*): Forest edge, thickets, stream beds, power lines, open space.



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Tree of Heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*)

- Smooth pointed leaves



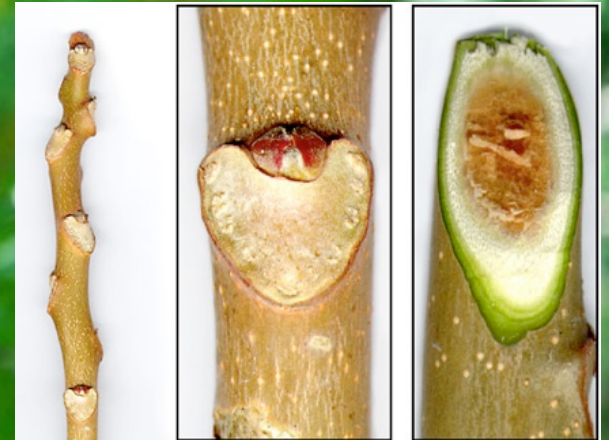
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Tree of Heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*)

- Heart shaped leaf to stem attachment
- Bud along edge
- Alternate leaf stem attachment



Photo: Lawrence Barringer, PDA. Bugwood



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Bark stages of development; smooth, large lenticel, striated.



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Tree of Heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*) (P. Mill.) Swingle



Dioecious - male and female trees.

Some trees have both sexes and some flowers appear bisexual (have both male and female parts).



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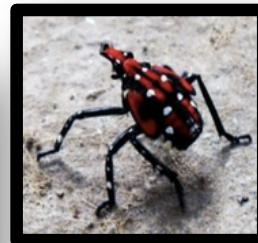
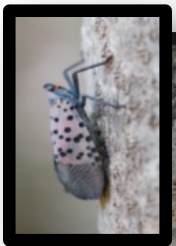


Ailanthus fruit stages of development: green in spring, yellow, orange, deep red to brown in fall



New Pest Update: Spotted Lanternfly. Hemiptera: Fulgoridae

- Nymphs hatch from Late April to early May egg masses laid on smooth bark, stone, and other vertical surfaces. They climb, feed and fall repeatedly onto host plants.
- Nymphs complete four immature stages. The first stage is black with white spots and wingless.
- As it grows, the Spotted Lanternfly will start to develop red patches in addition to the white spots. Nymphs spread from the initial site by crawling and feeding on a variety of woody and non-woody plants.

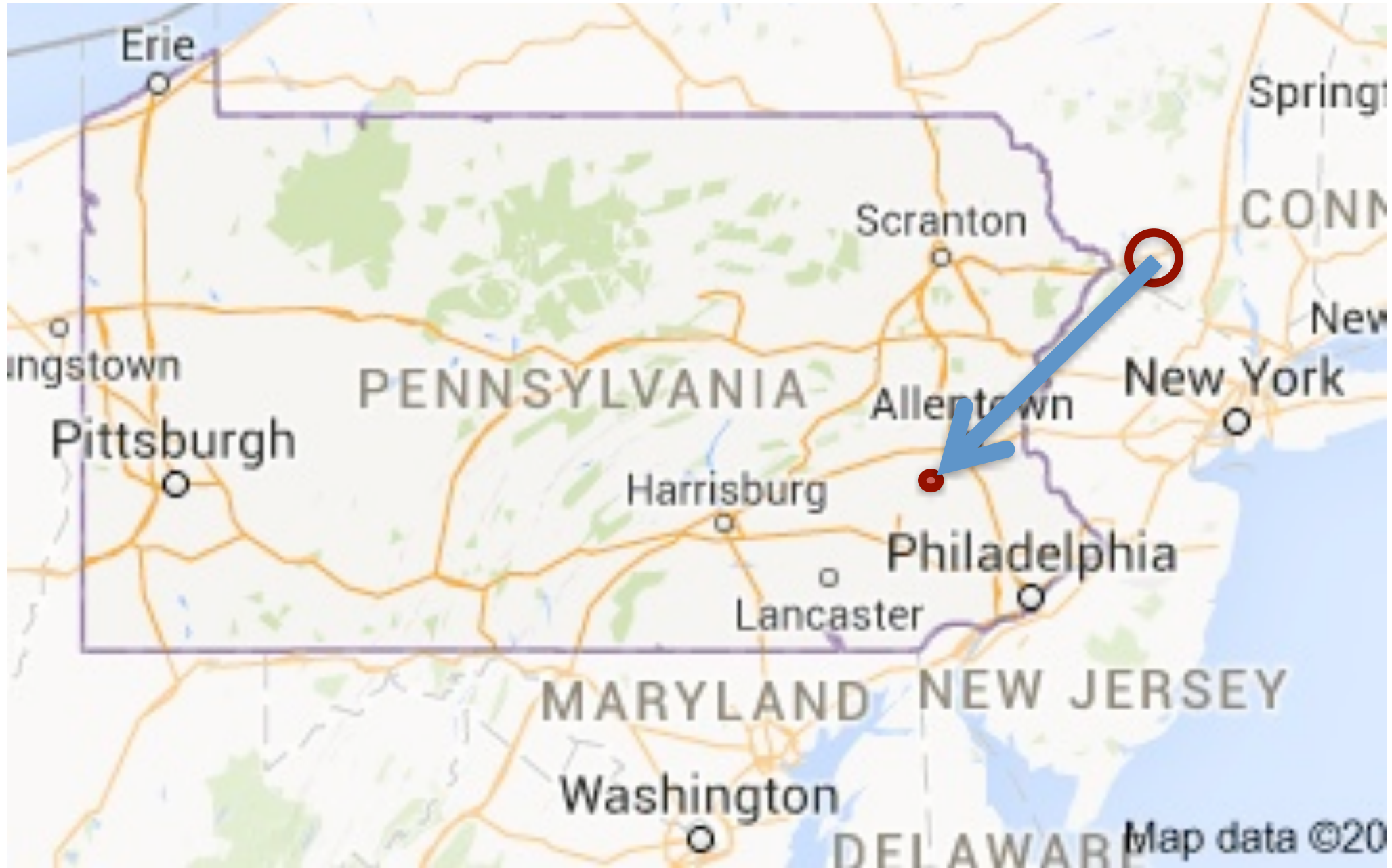


Lycorma Detection Survey

Results Through 15 December 2014

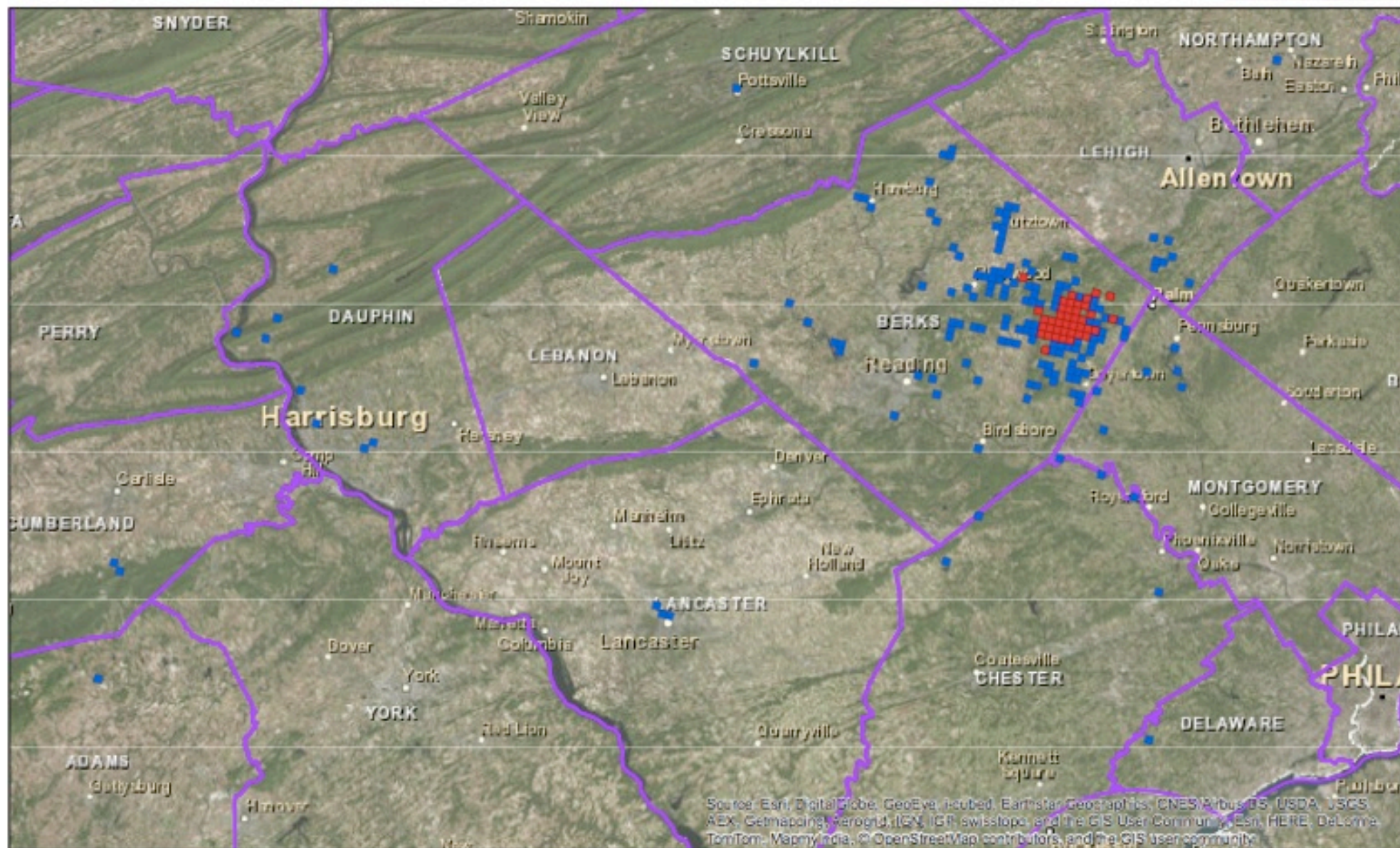


Initiated in October of 2014 to determine spread by Sven-Erik Spichiger, PDA Entomologist



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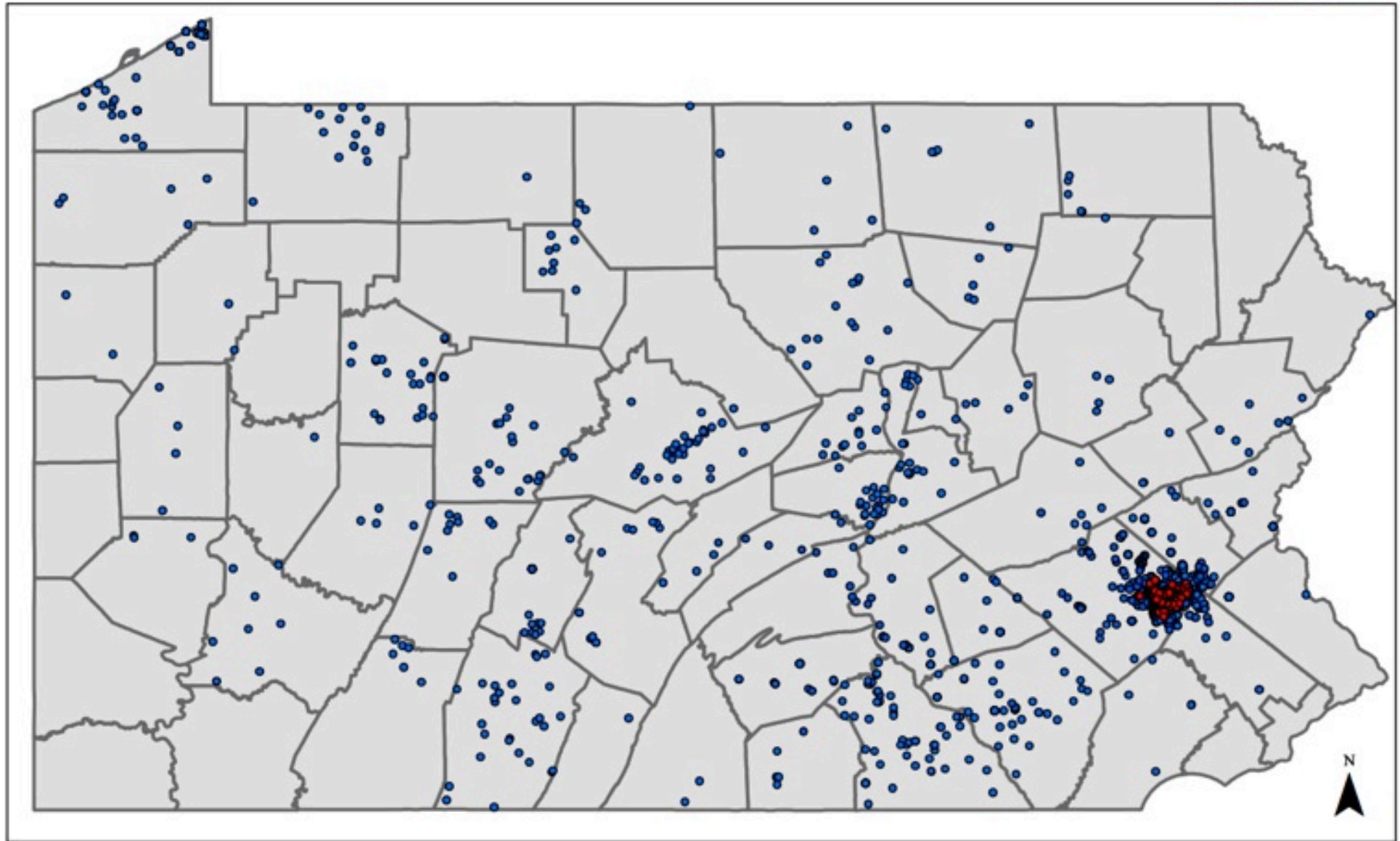
Survey Grids

- Surveyed - Positive
- Surveyed - Not Found

Found SLF was limited to a small area of Eastern Berks County, Pennsylvania

Lycorma Detection Survey

Results through 13 July 2015



Spotted Lanternfly Presence

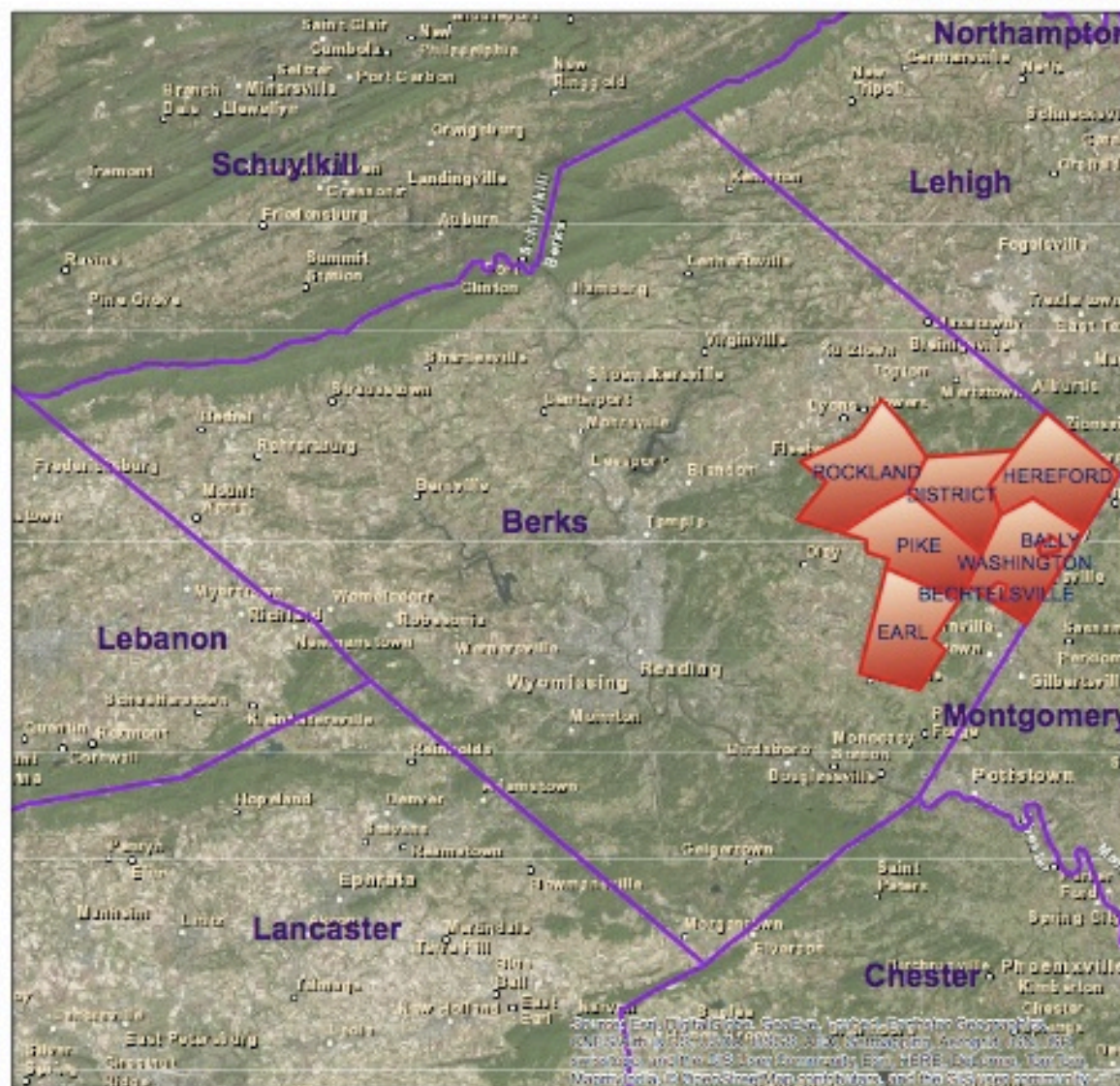
- Present
- Not Found

Survey continued to find SLF remained limited to Eastern Berks County, Pennsylvania



Spotted Lanternfly Quarantine Map

Townships Under Quarantine As of December 13, 2014



Legend



Township Under PDA Quarantine



Pennsylvania County Border



pennsylvania
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Checklist for Residents

Living in Spotted Lanternfly Quarantine Areas

IMPORTANT: Before you move outdoor items from the quarantine area, check for spotted lanternfly egg masses, adults, and nymphs. Make sure all items are pest free before you move them. Help keep this pest from spreading.

Check before you move

Recreational or Camping Items

- | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Backpacks | <input type="checkbox"/> Ice chests | <input type="checkbox"/> Tarps |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Basketball backboards | <input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycles | <input type="checkbox"/> Tents |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bicycles | <input type="checkbox"/> Motor homes | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boats/Boat trailers | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreational vehicles | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Campers | <input type="checkbox"/> Snowmobiles | |

Outdoor Household Items

- | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Barrels | <input type="checkbox"/> Propane or oil tanks | <input type="checkbox"/> Storm/Screen doors and windows |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cardboard or wooden boxes | <input type="checkbox"/> Trash cans | <input type="checkbox"/> Window awnings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor poles | <input type="checkbox"/> Refrigerators/Freezers | <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor furniture |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Plant containers | <input type="checkbox"/> Storage sheds | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Firewood | <input type="checkbox"/> Shutters | |

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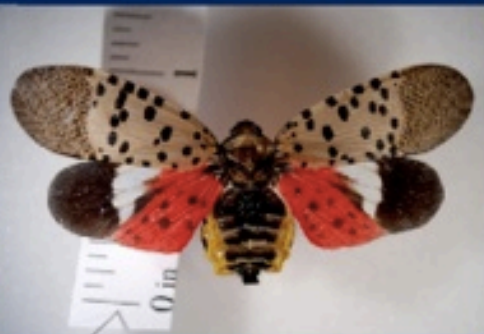
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bricks/Cinder blocks | <input type="checkbox"/> Roofing materials | <input type="checkbox"/> Skidsters/Forklifts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cement mixing tubs | <input type="checkbox"/> Tools and toolboxes | <input type="checkbox"/> Pipes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lumber | <input type="checkbox"/> Workbenches | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

Yard and Garden Items

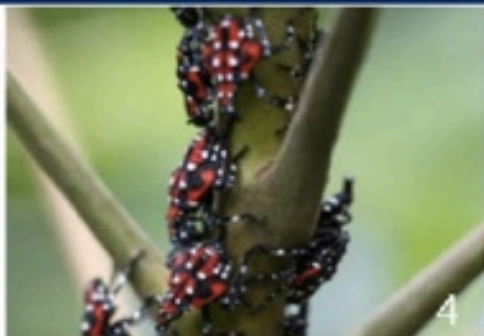
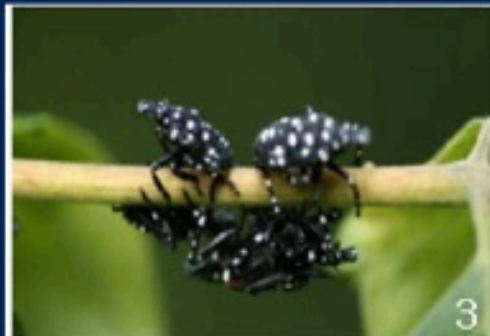
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Dog houses, rabbit sheds,
chicken coops, etc | <input type="checkbox"/> Garden tillers | <input type="checkbox"/> Signs and posts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Barbecue grills | <input type="checkbox"/> Yard decorations | <input type="checkbox"/> Storage sheds |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carts | <input type="checkbox"/> Garden tools | <input type="checkbox"/> Tractors and trailers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cold frames | <input type="checkbox"/> Backhoes | <input type="checkbox"/> Trees, shrubs and plants |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fencing | <input type="checkbox"/> Lawnmowers | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

Children's Playthings

- | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Play houses | <input type="checkbox"/> Bicycles, scooters | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kiddie pools | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandboxes | |



Adult Spotted Lanternfly, present in autumn months.



Spotted Lanternfly nymphs, present in spring and summer months. (Images from Park et al. 2009)

Fresh Spotted Lanternfly egg mass (outlined in red). Egg masses are present in autumn and winter months, blending in with their surroundings.



By signing this checklist, I am confirming that I have inspected my vehicle and those items I am moving from the Spotted Lanternfly quarantine area, and do not see any egg masses or insects in or on anything I am moving.

Signature _____ Address _____ Date _____

Please sign, date, and keep this checklist in your vehicle with you – use it each time you need it.

New Pest Update: Spotted Lanterfly. Hemiptera: Fulgoridae

Late Summer: Late July - August

Adult SLF

↔ ≤ 1"

Weak flyers

- Hop and crawl to new hosts



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Late Summer: July - November

Adult mating and egg laying: October – 1st frost



Photo: Lawrence Barringer, PDA. Bugwood



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Adult feeding on grape, piercing mouthpart



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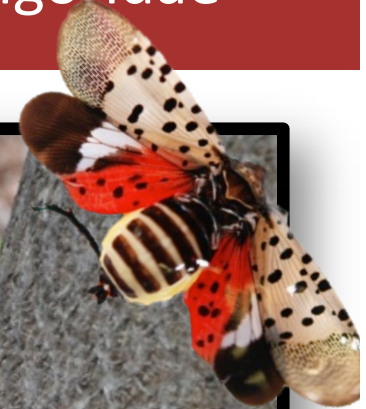
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Season: Fall to 1st freeze

Trees: *Ailanthus altissima*

- **Adult Presence = bee & wasps**
- **SLF feeding shunts excess sugar**
- **Honeydew secretions at tree base, sign of heavy infestation.**



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Season: Fall-early freeze

Trees: *Ailanthus altissima*

- **Heavy honeydew secretions; white mold**



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New Pest Update: Spotted Lanternfly. Hemiptera: Fulgoridae

Late Fall (October) through Winter



Eggs 'fresh', newly laid
With slimy appearance



Older eggs with dried 'muddy'
appearance



PDA: volunteer mass scrap removal of over
25,740 SLF eggs June 10, 2015



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Late Fall through Winter

Eggs 'older,' in appearance
Post emergence



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Late Fall through Winter

Eggs laid under tree line of A. altissima on stored vehicles, furniture, toys, boats, stone walls, sheds, business products.



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Late Fall through Winter

- ***Eggs on wood posts***
- ***Under bark of A. altissima***



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Spring: Beginning late April – Late July

Nymphs emerge from egg clusters

- climb and drop; Wind borne and crawling movement to various host plants.
- Tree banding used to capture nymphs



Early-stage nymph



Late-stage nymph



CONCLUSION

Inspecting for SLF

- Become familiar with *Ailanthus altissima* 'Tree-of-Heaven' and various plant host species
- Know the differences between Staghorn Sumac and *Ailanthus altissima*
- Determine the 'seasonality' of SLF
- Look for the obvious live insect life stages during the summer
- Look for 'left behind' signs of SLF



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CONCLUSION

Inspecting for SLF: Spring through summer

Nymphs

Early – Late stage

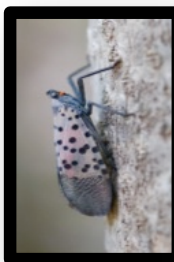


Hosts plants: *Ailanthus*, apples, apricots, ash, cherries, grapes, maple, nectarines, oak, peaches, pine, plums, poplar, walnut

Inspecting for SLF: Late summer - Fall

Adults

Signs of Feeding
Tree 'bleeding'



Hosts plants: *Ailanthus* only



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CONCLUSION

Inspecting for SLF: Mid-Late Fall

Adults

Mold



Hosts plants: *Ailanthus* only



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Inspecting for SLF: Mid-Late Fall / Winter-Spring

Adults

Eggs

Old signs
of egg laying



Hosts plants: *Ailanthus*, beneath tree line of *Ailanthus*, stored vehicles, furniture, toys, boats, stone walls, sheds, business products



Thank You...Questions??



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