

# Forest Health Chapter Con

2020 Bear Brook Management Plan

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#### Historic forest health issues

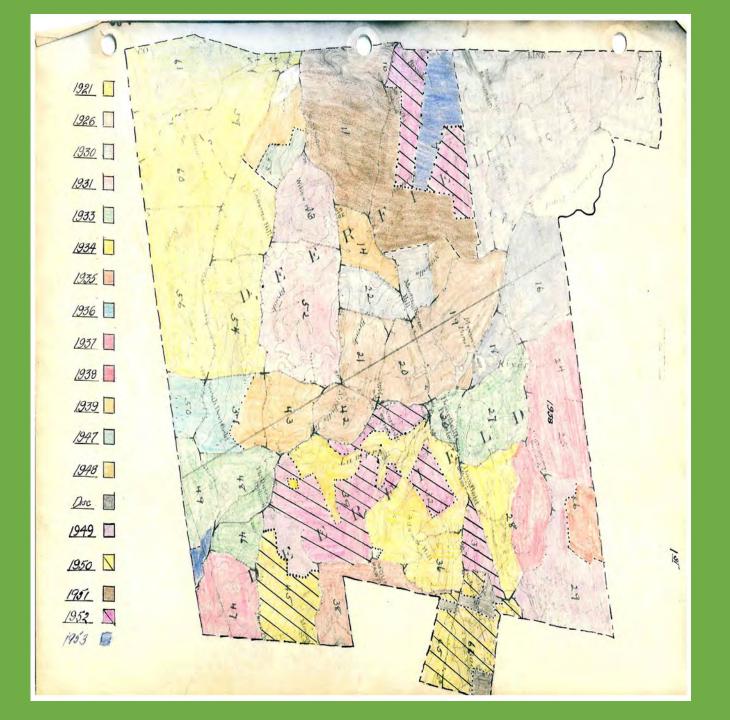




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#### TOWN BLISTER RUST CONTROL RECORD Permanent Record New Hampshire

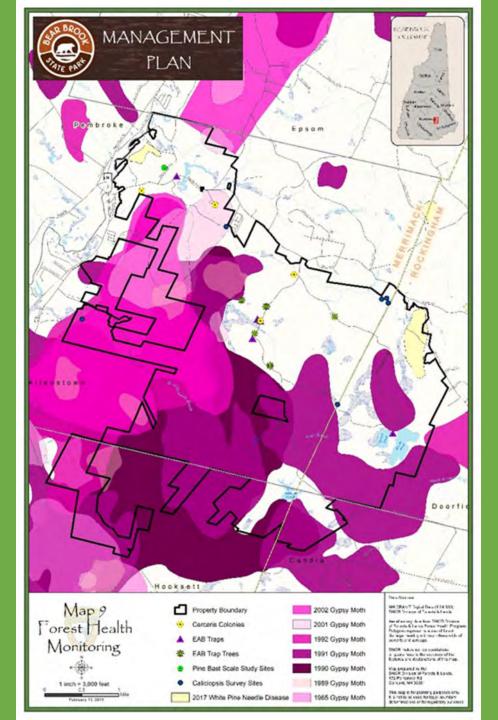
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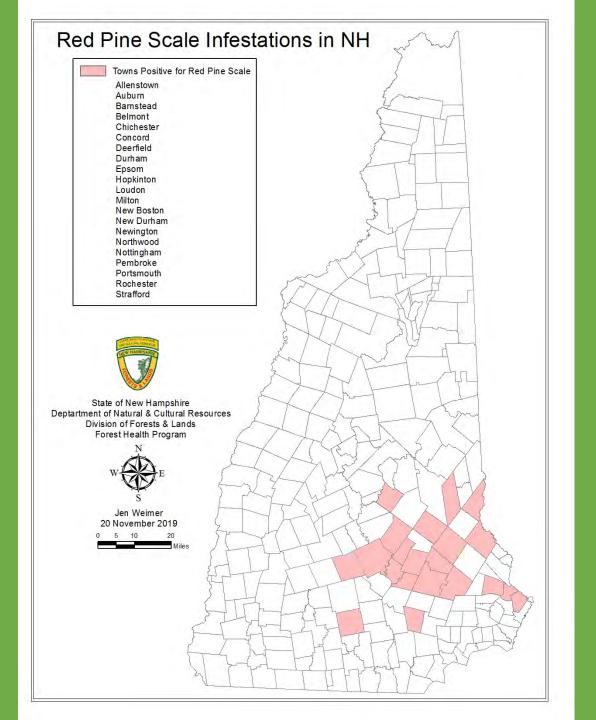




































### What To Look For



White woolly ovisacs at the base of needles on the undersides of twigs



#### Adelgid 101

Small wingless insect with piercing/sucking mouth parts

100X 20 kV

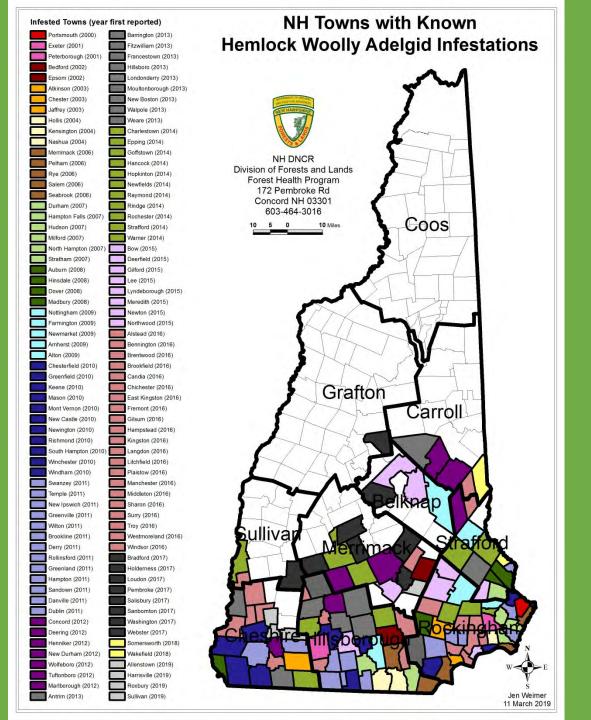
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HWA QUARANTINE Established to keep infested material out of NH

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from BC/Idaho: *Laricobius nigrinus* 500 Released in Seabrook, Rye, Hampton Falls, Dover, Amherst, and Merrimack

## **Biological Control**



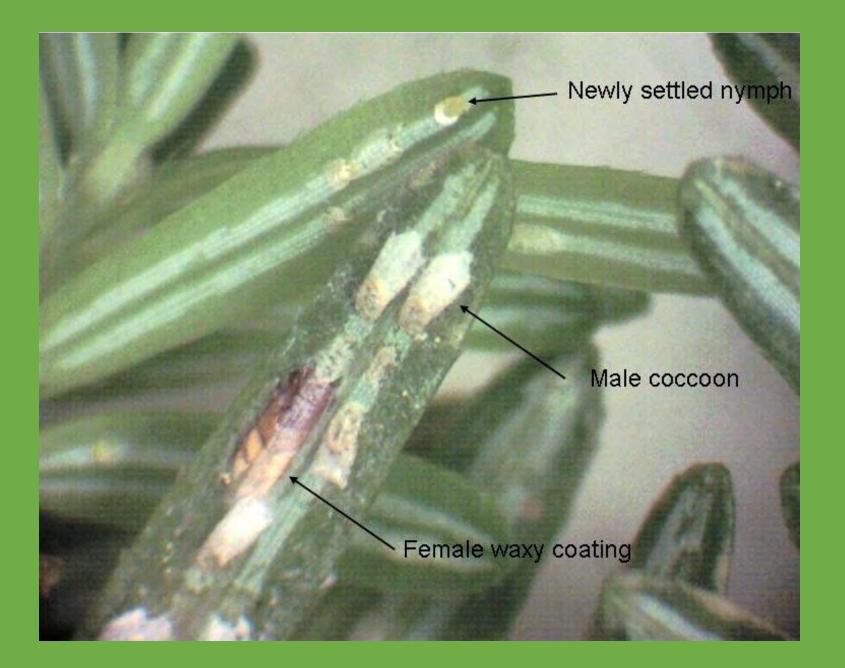
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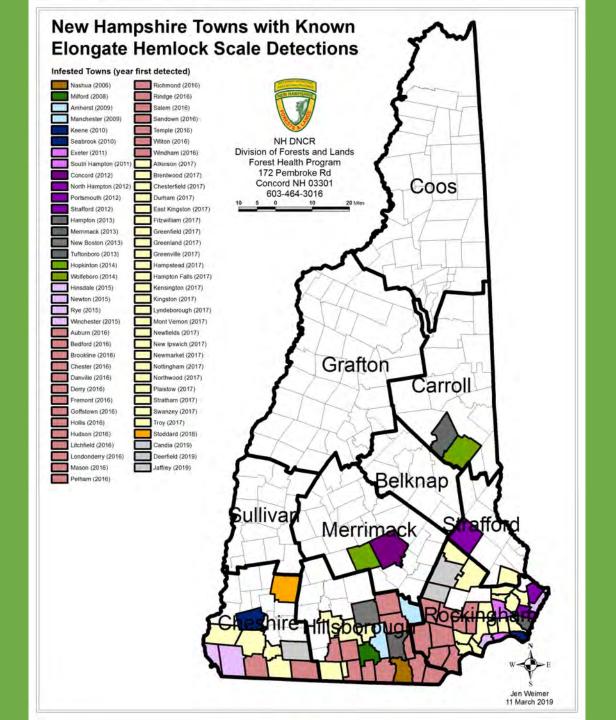
## ELONGATE HEMLOCK SCALE

- Introduced into the United States from Japan.
- It was first observed in Queens, New York in 1908.
- Prefers hemlock, fir, spruce
- Other hosts include cedar, pine, yew











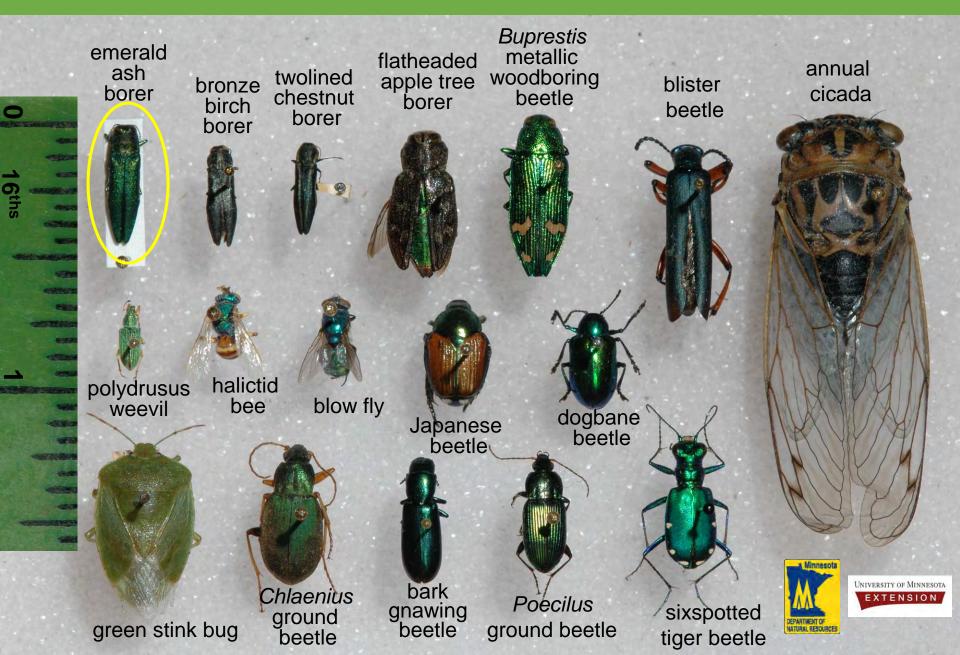
## Emerald Ash Borer

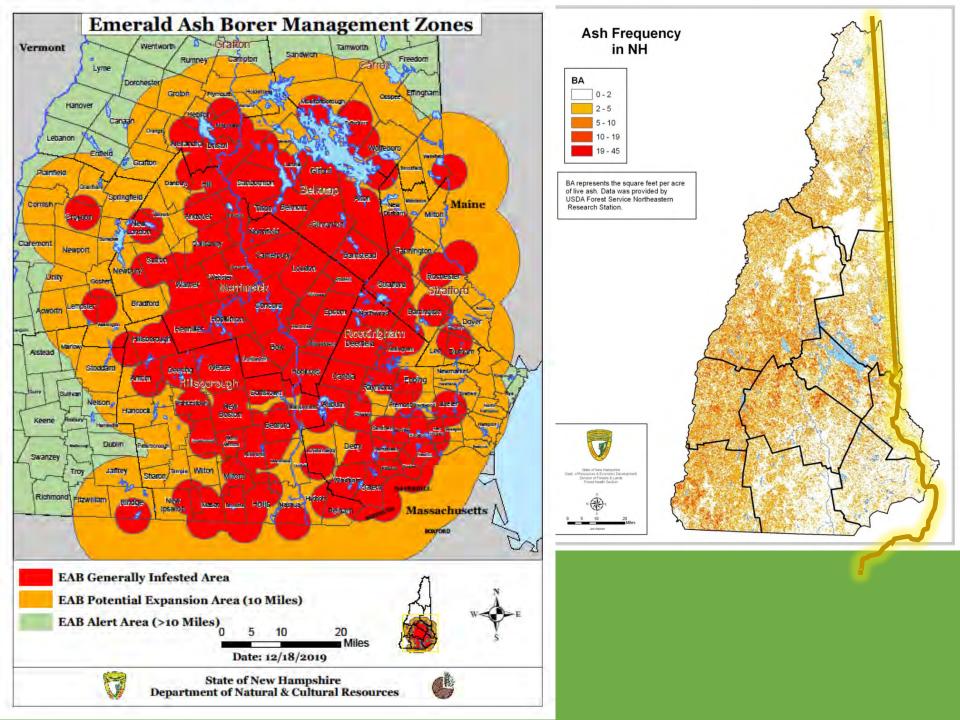
#### Agrilus planipennis





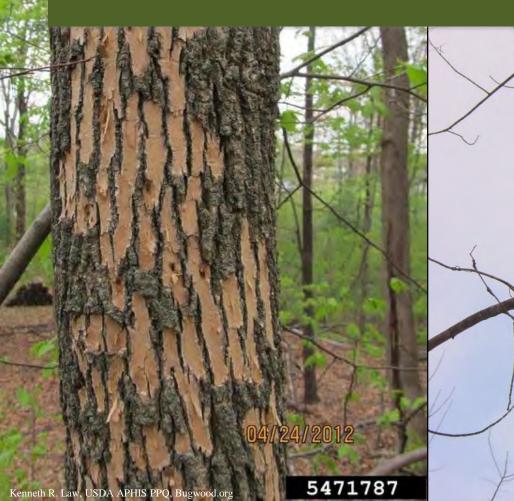
## EAB Look-a-likes





## Visual Survey

#### Blonding and Woodpecker Activity

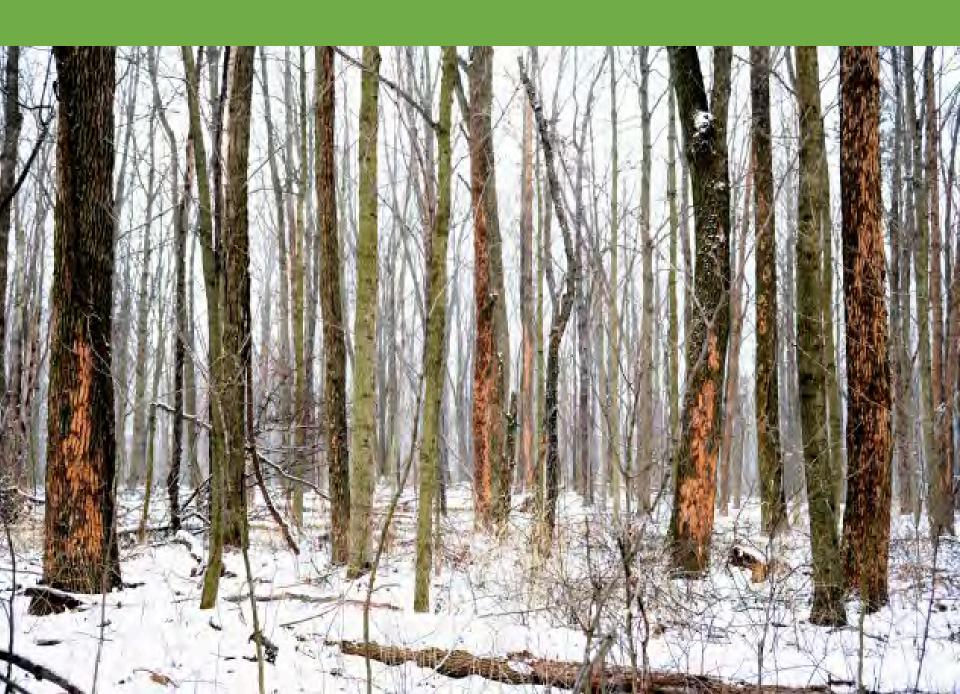




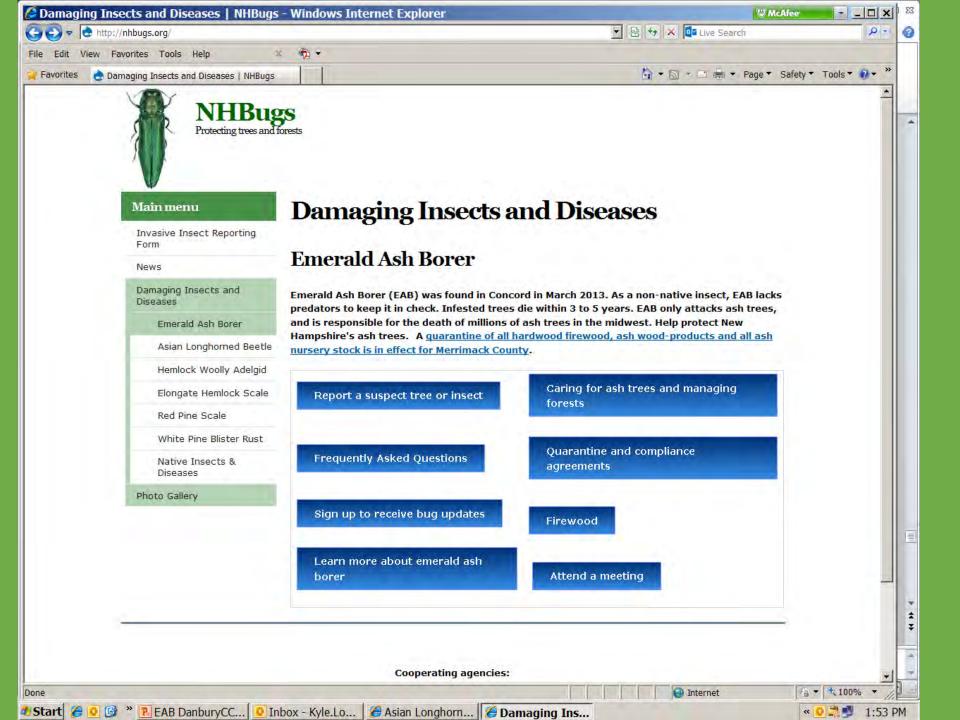
## Identification - Signs

Serpentine Larval Galleries









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Gypsy Moth	roads. 2. Consider insecticide treatment for high-value ash. Ask three licensed	emerald ash borer will spread naturally to this zone within a	1
Oak Wilt	pesticide applicators for quotes.	few years.	
Spotted Lanternfly	<ol> <li>Consider removing remaining ash trees while they're still healthy—dying ash can be hazardous to remove.</li> </ol>	Alert area	
Jumping Worms	<ol> <li>Use the material locally and follow <u>best management practices</u> when transporting logs.</li> </ol>	Emerald ash borer isn't known to be in the area and it is more	
Native Insects & Diseases	than 10	than 10 miles from the known infestation.	
Photo Gallery Search	<ol> <li>When a stand is being harvested, cut all large ash. Encourage small sizes under 4 inches in diameters. Protect and encourage ash regeneration.</li> <li>Identify several large, mature ash in pairs of a male and female as a seed source. Treat with pesticide every three years using a licensed applicator.</li> <li>If the harvest area isn't heavily infested, girdle 20 to 30 sawlog-size ash in advance of the timber sale. These trap trees will attract egg-laying adults and the larvae will be destroyed when the trees are harvested. Girdle using hand tools in the early spring before the scheduled harvest.</li> <li>Follow best management practices when transporting logs. Consult the Legal transportation of ash wood products from NH &amp; VT to ME, if moving ash into those states.</li> <li>Potential expansion area- orange zone</li> </ol>	Definitions Diameter at breast height (DBH)- Diameter of a tree at 4.5 feet above the ground High-value ash- A tree valued for economic, ecological, aesthetic or cultural reasons. Trap tree- A low-valued ash girdled to attract EAB and monitored by the N.H. Division of Forests & Lands.	
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State of New Hampshire BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

#### Help stop the spread of EMERALD ASH BORER in New Hampshire

Natural spread of Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) takes decades; human-assisted spread takes only hours.

Following best management practices will help protect ash woodlots across New Hampshire and provide valuable time to managers and scientists looking for new control methods.



Signs of EAB infestation include birds removing the outer layer of bark (called "blonding") and "s"-shaped galleries under the bark

EAB was discovered in New Hampshire for the first time in 2013. While EAB has spread into most of NH's counties, it still infests a very small percentage of the state's total ash trees. Close attention to practices described on this card will help keep the outbreak from killing trees for decades.

Learn more at NHBugs.org

How to help minimize risk of spreading Emerald Ash Borer in New Hampshire

#### When moving ash logs:

- Transport <u>only</u> after September 1 <u>and</u> have processed by June 1 OR
- Ship only to mills willing to debark immediately OR
- Confirm logs are likely not infested (for the latest information on infested zones, expert contacts and training opportunities visit NHBugs.org)

#### When moving firewood:

Remove ash wood from shipments traveling more than 5 miles; deliver ash wood less than 5 miles

#### OR

- Season ash wood at its place of origin for at least 12 months OR
- Deliver ash wood after
   September 1 and make sure it's
   burned by June 1

NOTE: Mulch or chips of any size can be moved year round.



New Hampshire Department of Agriculture, Markets & Food



#### **BIOLOGICAL CONTROL**

Tetrastichus planipennisi

Oobius agrili

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Spathius agrili

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Alastair Heseltine, a Canadian artist living in the Pacific Northwest







#### In 19 samples

#### We have found:

Ants	woodborers			
Snails	parasitic wasps			
Sow bugs	longhorn beetle			
Spiders	flies			
Millipedes				
Centipedes				
Termites				
Bark lice				
Woodwasps				



650 insects, 9 orders, 22 different families and an unknown number of species

#### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL & CULTURAL RESOURCES

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, MARKETS & FOOD

#### FIREWOOD EXTERIOR QUARANTINE

#### JOINT QUARANTINE NO. 2

Amendment No. 3

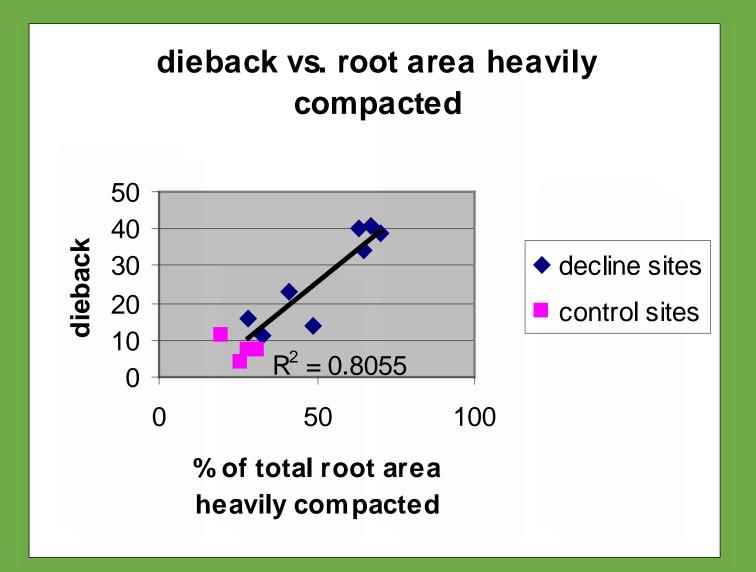
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Section I. Definitions

#### **CORRELATION OF HEAVILY COMPACTED ROOT**



#### **Correlation between root area compacted and tree dieback**

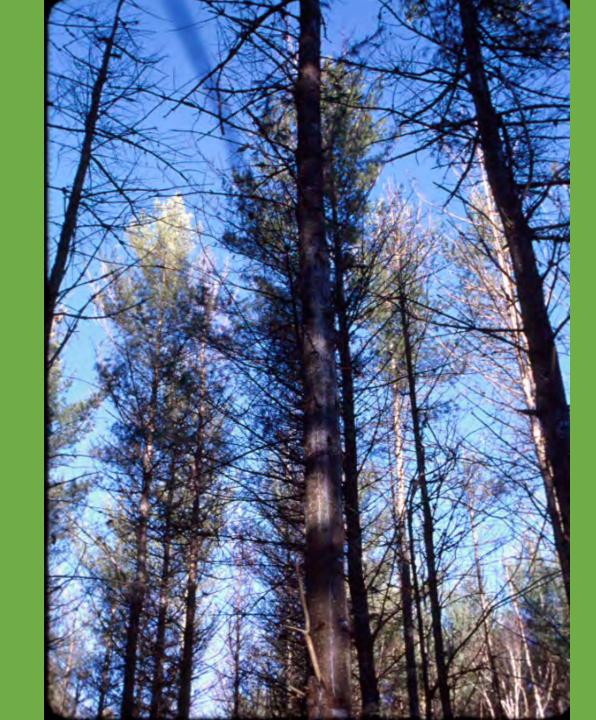


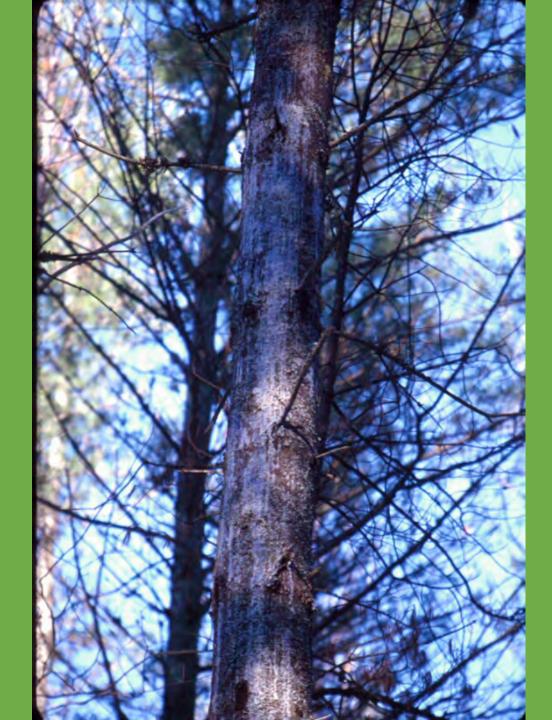
# **Pine Canker**

Caliciopsis Pinea



















### pine canker

#### **Blister rust**

**Generally** infects lower bole Infects through a branch

Localized pitch from margins long pitch streaks throughout canker region

whorls

**Known to kill trees** 

literature suggests it's a secondary pathogen

**Pine canker** 

infects thin barked upper bole

infects bark directly between

**Can cause major tree deformity** rarely kills cambium,

**Rarely found on more than 20%** 75% of codominant trees Of the mature stand

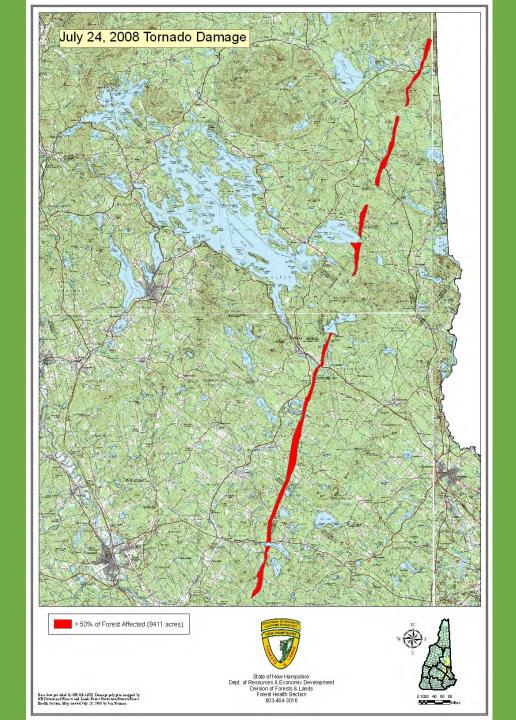
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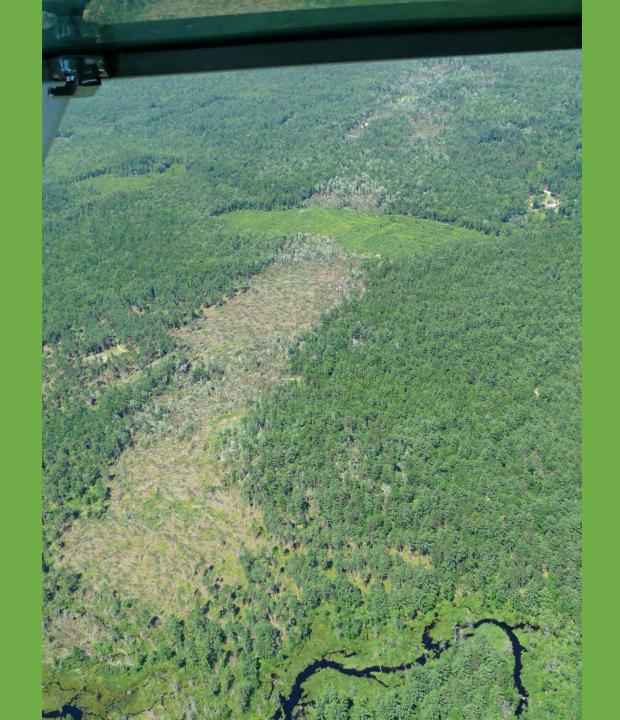
Usually only one stem canker

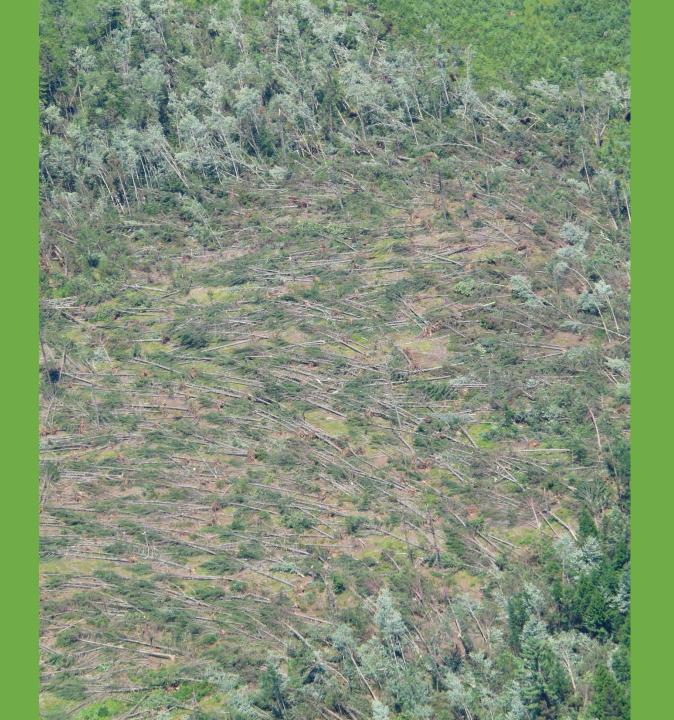
usually many small cankers along upper bole

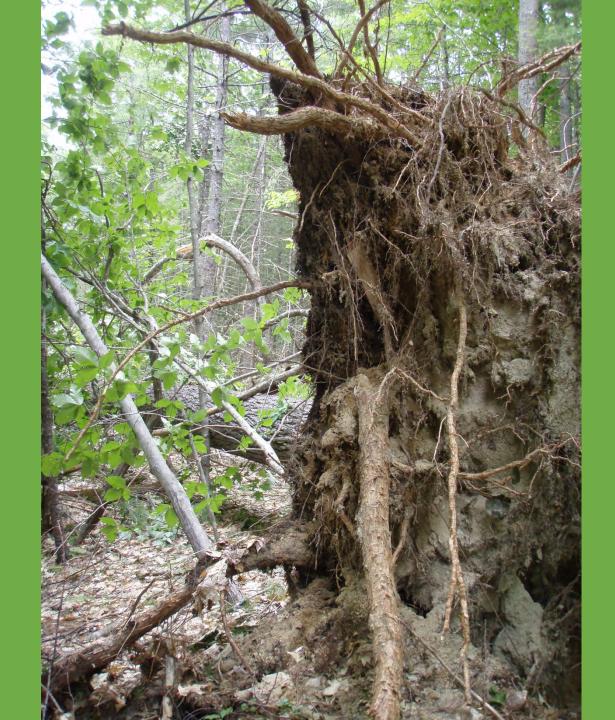
#### Silviculture









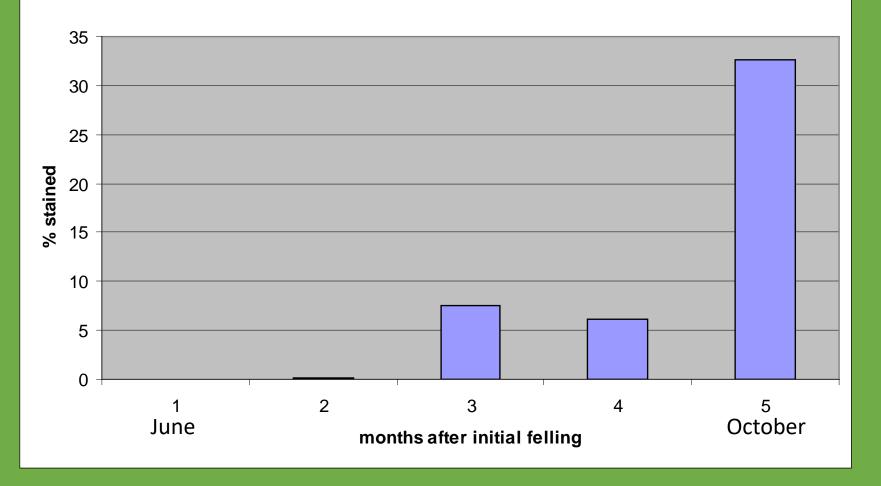


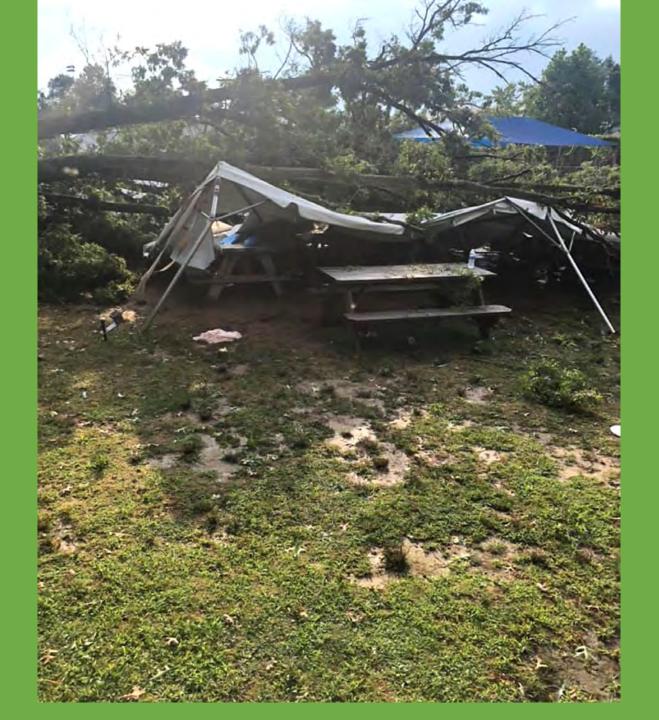


May-September, 2007 Blue Stain Monitoring

Fox Research and Demonstration Forest

## % of total tree sapwood column with blue stain. One foot stump to a 4" top







### **Risk Tree Plan**





# **Risk Trees**

### Factors That Cause Tree Stress/Decline

Things you might see in your Parks

- Site Factors
- Weather
- Insects
- Diseases
- Geography
- Animal
- Land History
- Pollution
- Poor Tree Care (AJ will cover)



## Diseases

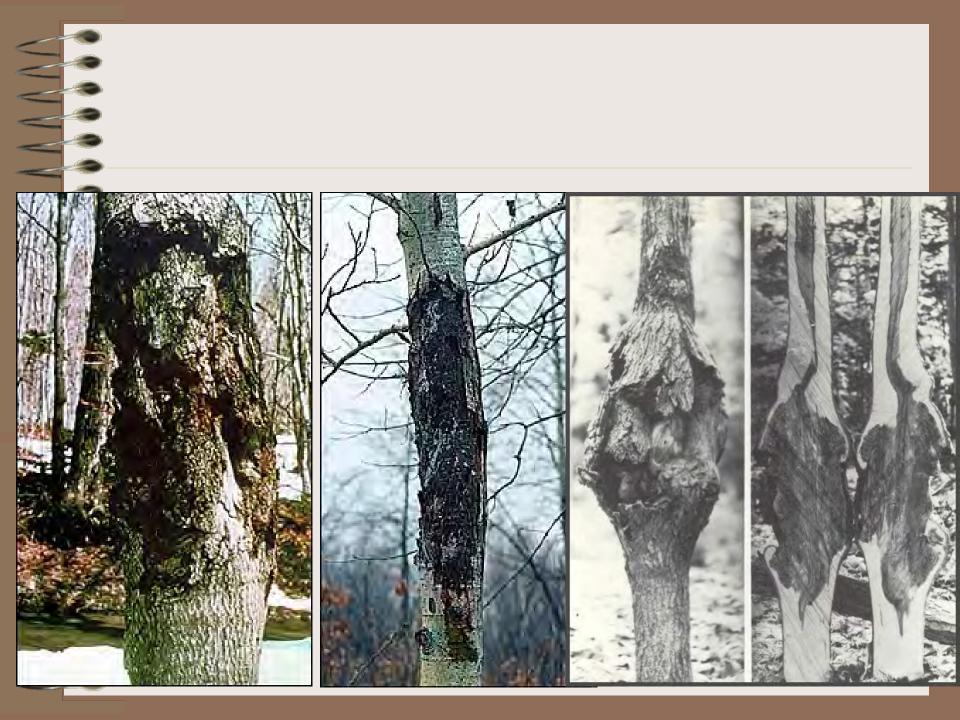
Root rots

Decay fungi

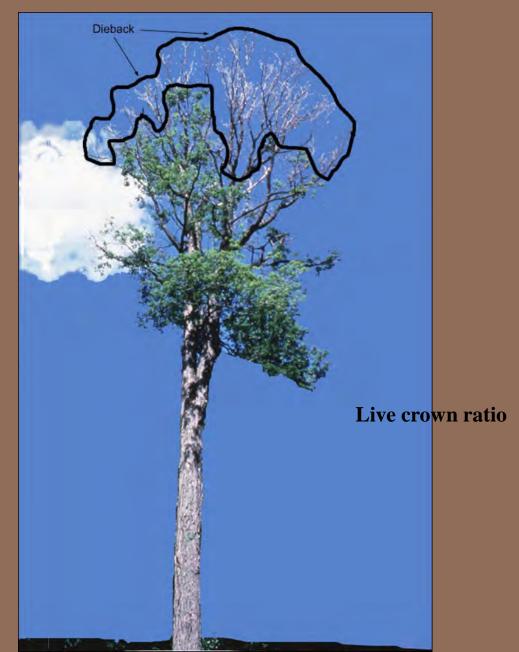
Foliage blights

Canker diseases





### "TREE STRESS AND DECLINE"





# Soil Compaction



- Shallow Soils
- Wet soil
- Texture of soil
- PSI of DCA
- Vibration of DCA
- Frequency of occurrence

## Hazard Tree Identification

Widow Maker (Previous Failures) Failure history is a key element in predicting future failures.

#### Weak Branch Unions

A weak union occurs when two or more similarly sized branches grow so closely together that bark grows between the branches inside the union.

Old Wounds

Old wounds serve as a potential source of wood rot and decay.

#### **Ooze/Fungal Activity**

Fungal activity, including mushrooms, conks, noze, and brackets growing on root flares, stems, or branches is an indication of advanced decay!

#### **Trunk Taper**

The diameter of the trunk should be largest at the base and decrease with tree height. Lack of a taper may indicate root failure. Sharp Bends Predictable failure points.

#### **Nesting Holes**

Nesting holes serve as a potential site of decay columns.

#### Multiple Pruning Wounds &

Poor Weight Distribution (Lion Tailing)

Excessive pruning that strips out interior branches, increases opportunity for decay at wound sites and failure when weight is concentrated at the end of the branch.

Shear Plane Cracks Result of wood tissue pulling apart.

Wounds/Broken Branches with Poor Wound Closure Potential source of wood rot and decay.

#### **Epicormic Growth**

New growth stimulated by pruning, damage, or infection. Indication that tree is under stress.

#### **Response Growth**

Unique bulges and or swollen or sunken bark patterns. An indication of internal decay.

#### Wound-Wood Formations

Previous injuries or obstacles in growth can exhibit unique wood fiber patterns, providing information from a period well before a failure.

#### Cavity

Cavities in trees are an indication of advanced decay, stability of tree is determined by the ratio of sound to decayed wood.

# Summary

### Be in tune with

- Exit holes
- Fruiting bodies
- Dieback
- Crown ratio
- Frass
- cankers
- Broken, dead or defoliated branches

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