# Continental Dialogue on Non-Native Forest Insects & Diseases 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting

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**Enhanced Enforcement Proposals and Practices** 

Wood Packaging Materials



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#### Pest Risk Threat to America's Forests



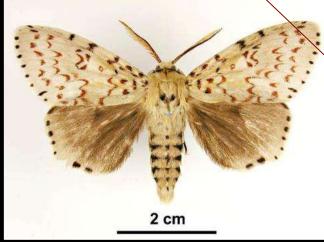
- Asian Gypsy Moth
- Wood Boring Pests
- Federal Noxious Weeds





#### Asian Gypsy Moth (AGM)





- Asian Gypsy Moth (AGM),
   Lymantria dispar asiatica
   Vnukovskij (Lymantriidae) is a very serious forest pest.
- AGM is known to attach to vessels operating in Korea, Japan, China and East Russia during outbreak periods.



#### Asian Gypsy Moth (AGM)



- CBP Specialists inspect high-risk vessels based on itinerary/history
- Trade partners can encourage operational vessel personnel to note when Asian ports are active with AGM.
- CBP's Carrier Conveyance
   Contamination Outreach Initiative
   provides AGM detection
   information to trade industry
   stakeholders.

#### Asian Gypsy Moth (AGM)



## AGM Interceptions **National Region**:

- CY 11 21
- CY 12 44
- CY 13 42
- CY 14 50

#### Best Practices to Prevent AGM

To ensure carrier conveyances are free of hitchhiking pests, including AGM, and plant debris contaminants:

- Monitor the cargo staging area to ensure the cargo is not under lighting that might attract insects and increase the probability of infestation.
- Utilize baits, traps, or barriers to prevent infestations from occurring in the cargo staging area. For example, salt barriers may be used to protect against snail infestations.



#### Wood Boring Pest Exclusion Efforts



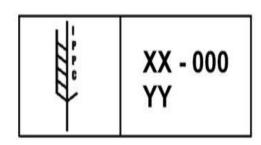
CBP enforces the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) requirements for Wood Packaging Material (WPM)

IPPC Logo

XX : Country Code

• 000 : Facility Number

YY : Treatment Type





#### CBP Inspection of WPM



- Bore holes and/or frass are indications that wood boring pests are present.
- Larval galleries indicate presence of pest infestation.





**Larval Galley** 



#### Non-compliant WPM & Total Agriculture Exams

#### **National Totals**

Non-Compliance						
	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	
No ISPM-15 marking	2,615	2,269	2,449	2,586	1,938	
Pest found	861	686	885	1,058	603	
No Marking & Pest Found	21	24	17	21	18	
<b>Grand Total</b>	3,497	2,979	3,351	3,665	2,559	

Total Agriculture Inspections						
	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	
Miscellaneous Cargo	264,954	238,322	240,240	242,655	204,281	
Regulated Cargo	465,978	467,547	479,968	472,069	499,198	
Grand Total	730,932	705,869	720,208	714,724	703,479	



#### Non-compliant WPM & Total Agriculture Exams

Mid-Atlantic Region: Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, Buffalo, New York

Non-Compliance						
	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY 14	
No ISPM-15 marking	359	285	257	344	293	
Pest found	27	10	18	33	52	
No Marking & Pest Found	2	4	1	3	1	
<b>Grand Total</b>	388	299	276	380	346	

Total Agriculture Inspections						
	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY 14	
Miscellaneous Cargo	92,940	92,454	100,493	95,744	70,304	
Regulated Cargo	60,742	59,467	61,814	62,978	57,384	
Grand Total	153,682	151,921	162,307	158,722	127,688	



## WPM Strategy Tools



- USDA Regulations
- Training
  - CBP Officers and Agriculture Specialists
- Outreach & Education
  - Contamination Conveyance for Trade
- Enforcement Strategies
  - 19 CFR Penalties



## WPM Outreach to Industry





#### Best Practices to Prevent Wood Boring Pests

To ensure carrier conveyances are free of WPM with woodboring insects:

- Require compliant WPM in the exporter's contract.
- Educate your supply chain on the regulatory requirements.
- Explore alternatives to WPM.
- Conduct a cost-benefit analysis when exploring alternatives.



## Federal Noxious Weed Seeds (FNW)





#### **Best Practices to Prevent FNW**

To ensure carrier conveyances are free of Federal Noxious Weed seed and soil contaminants:

- Visually inspect the exterior and interior of conveyances for contamination prior to arrival in the United States.
- Sweep, vacuum, or wash conveyances prior to loading and be cognizant that environmental factors, such as heavy rains, may increase the likelihood of soil contamination.

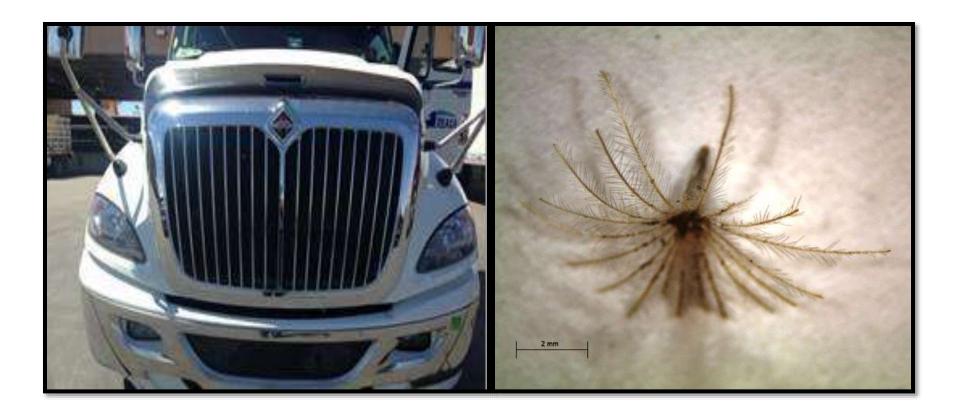


Wood Packaging Material Contaminated with Federal Noxious Weed Seeds





Truck Grill Contaminated with Federal Noxious Weed Seeds





Containers Contaminated with Soil



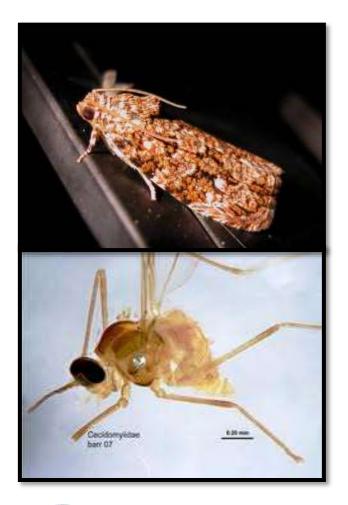


Soil Contamination





Cecidomyiinae sp. and Phaecasiophora fernaldana



- Port of Buffalo, New York
- A sea container of valves arrives from China
- Insects were found upon inspection
- Two reportable pests identified
- Container placed on hold pending re-export



Vessel Moorings and Superstructure Contaminated with AGM Egg Masses





Three Live Scolytidae Intercepted in Firewood



- El Paso, Texas
- Land Border Cargo
- Originating from Mexico
- Live Wood Borers Found
- EAN Issued
- Shipment was Re-exported



## Questions?







#### U.S. Customs and Border Protection