## New Kid in Town Agrilus smaragdifrons

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# Cerceris fumipennis







### How to Get Beetles

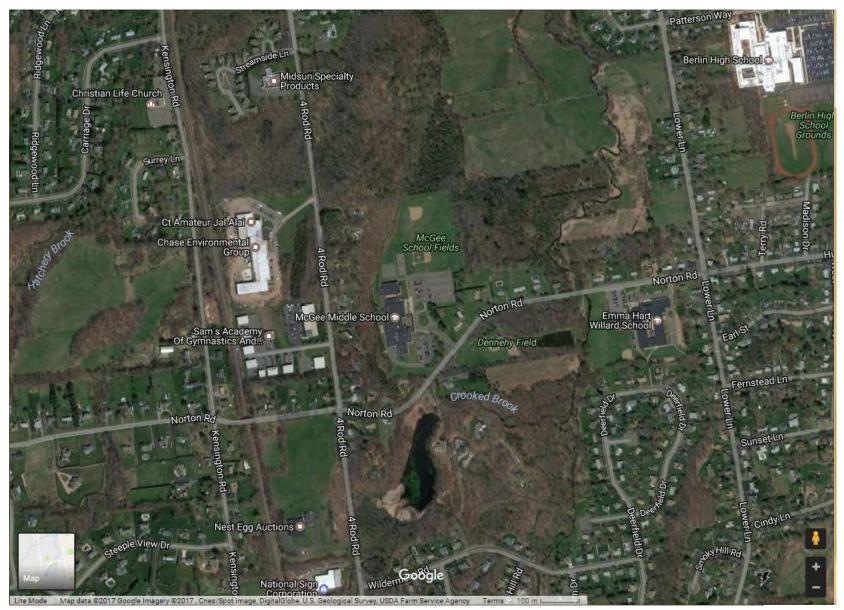
- Hunt use net to intercept wasps
- Gather- any beetles on ground













## Agrilus smaragdifrons

- Asian species
- Collected with *Cerceris* in Berlin, CT
- July 2015
- Found on purple traps in NJ in 2016
- Found on host in PA in 2016
- Probably wide spread in the North-East US





## Tree of Heaven

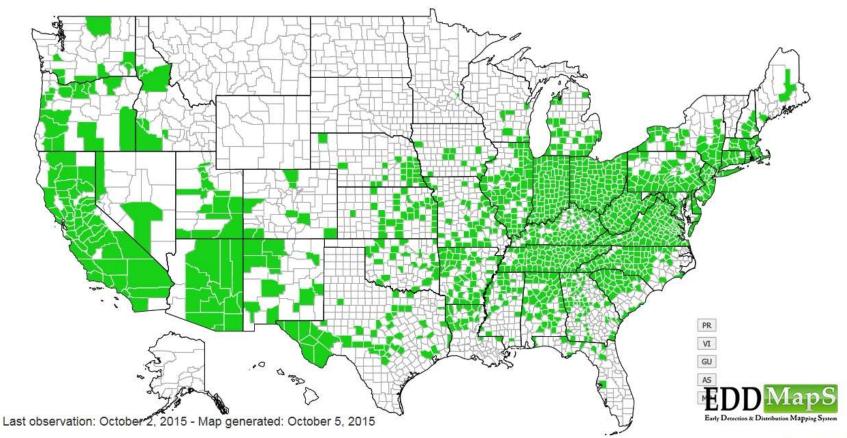
- Causes damage to sewers and structures
- Vigorous growing tree and prolific seeder
- Establishes dense stands that push out natives.
- Contains chemicals, including ailanthone, that have been found to have strong allelopathic (herbicidal) affects on the growth of other plants which help it establish and spread.





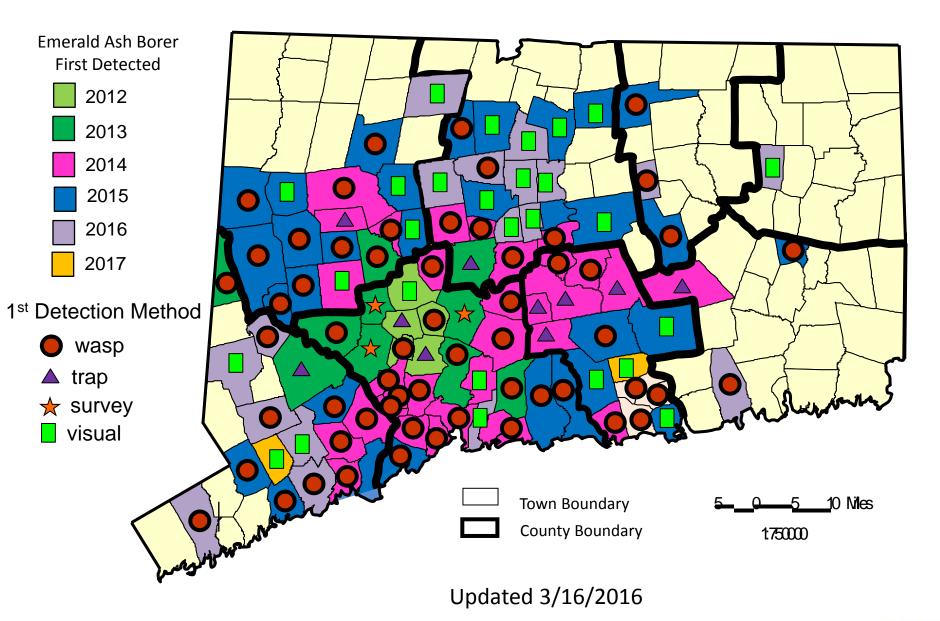
### Tree of Heaven Distribution

Ailanthus altissima





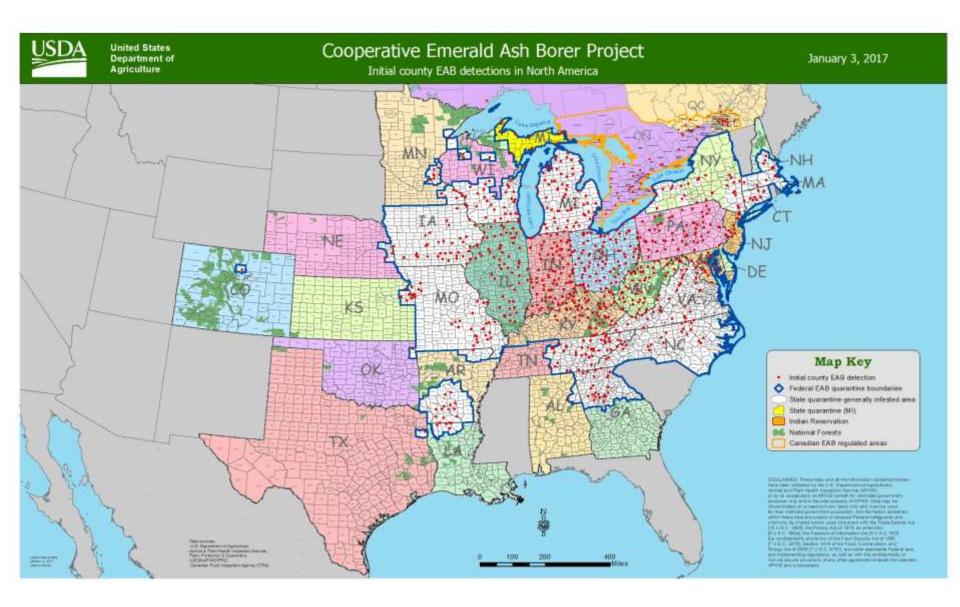




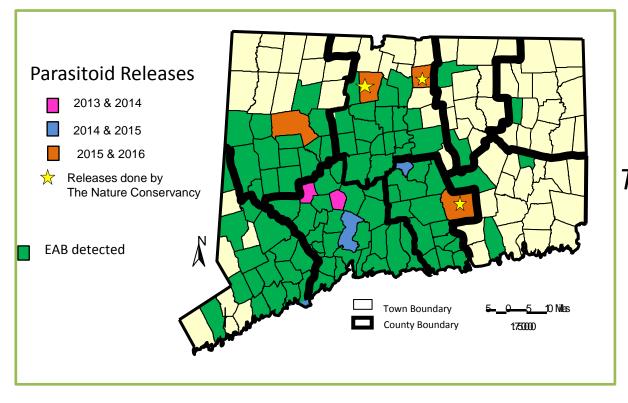
### Wolcott January 2017

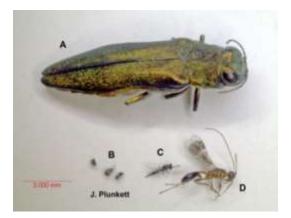




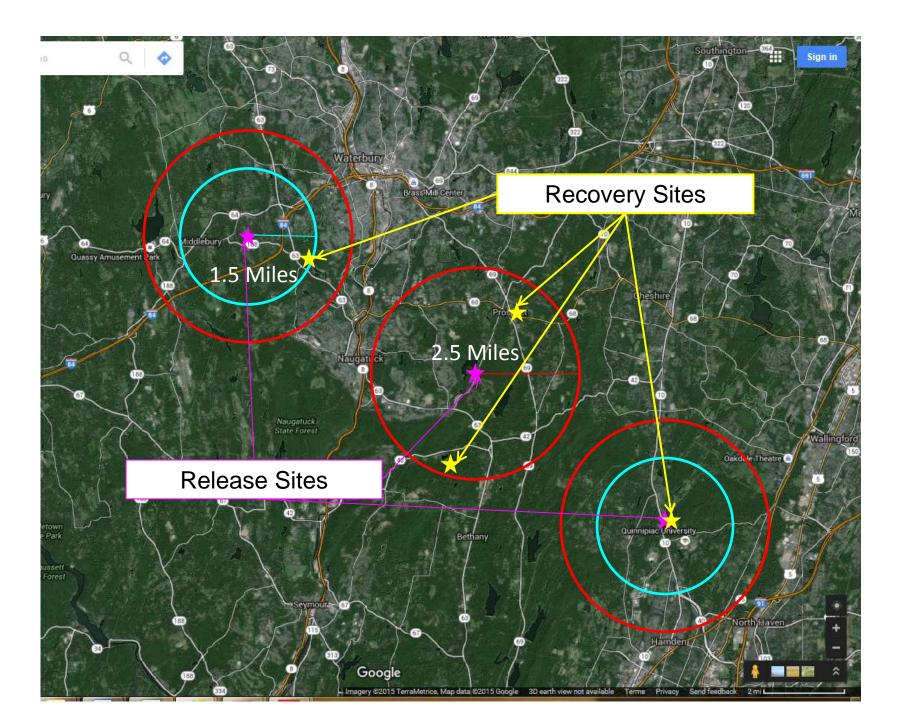


### 2016 EAB Biocontrol



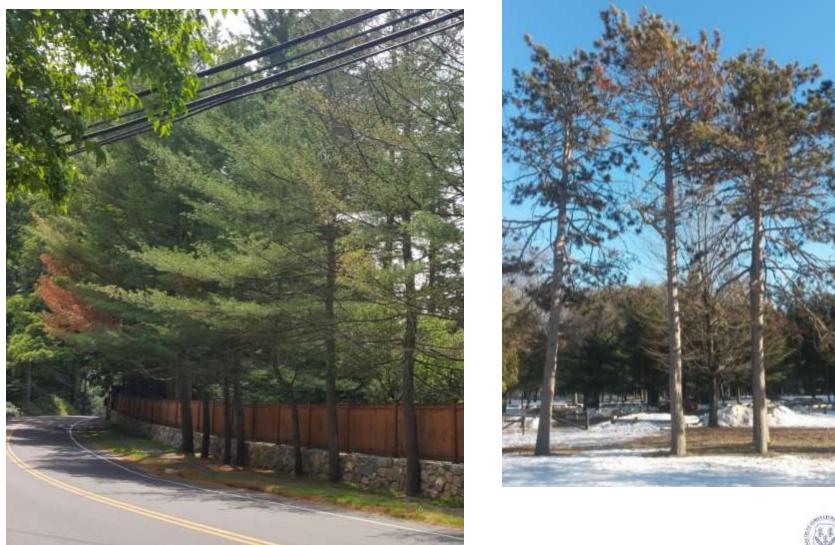


#### *Oobius agrili Spathius galinae Tetrastichus planipennisi*



#### Southern pine beetle (SPB) Dendroctonus frontalis











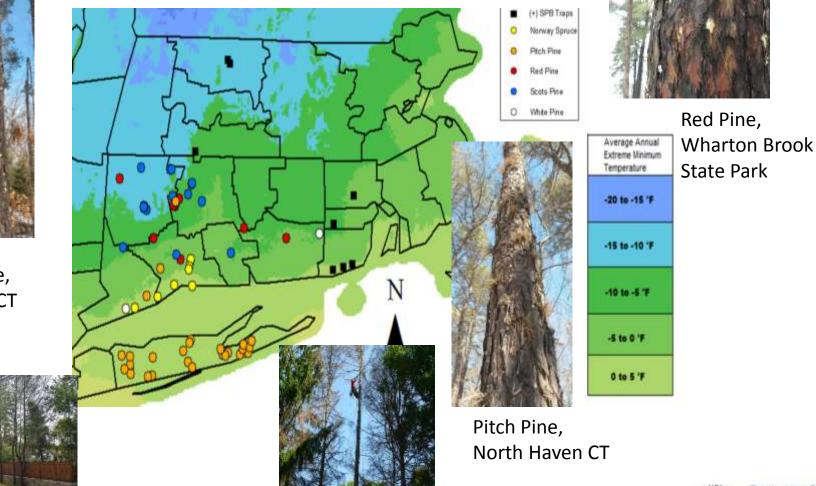




#### Southern Pine Beetle Distribution and Hosts Connecticut 2015



Scots Pine, Hamden CT

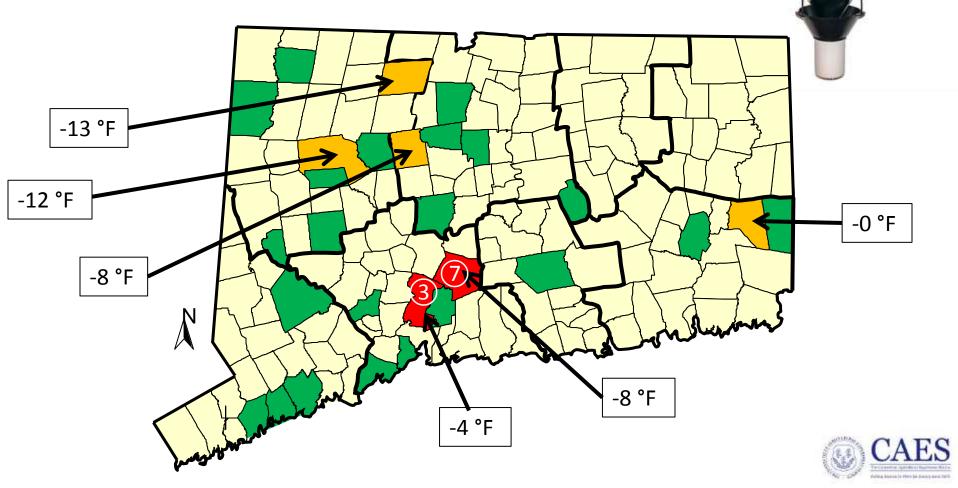


White Pine, Westport CT

Norway Spruce, North Haven CT

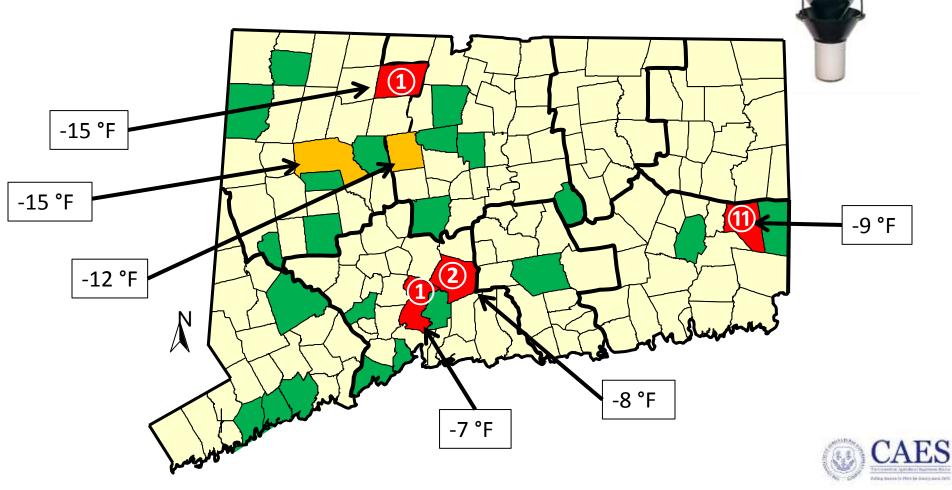
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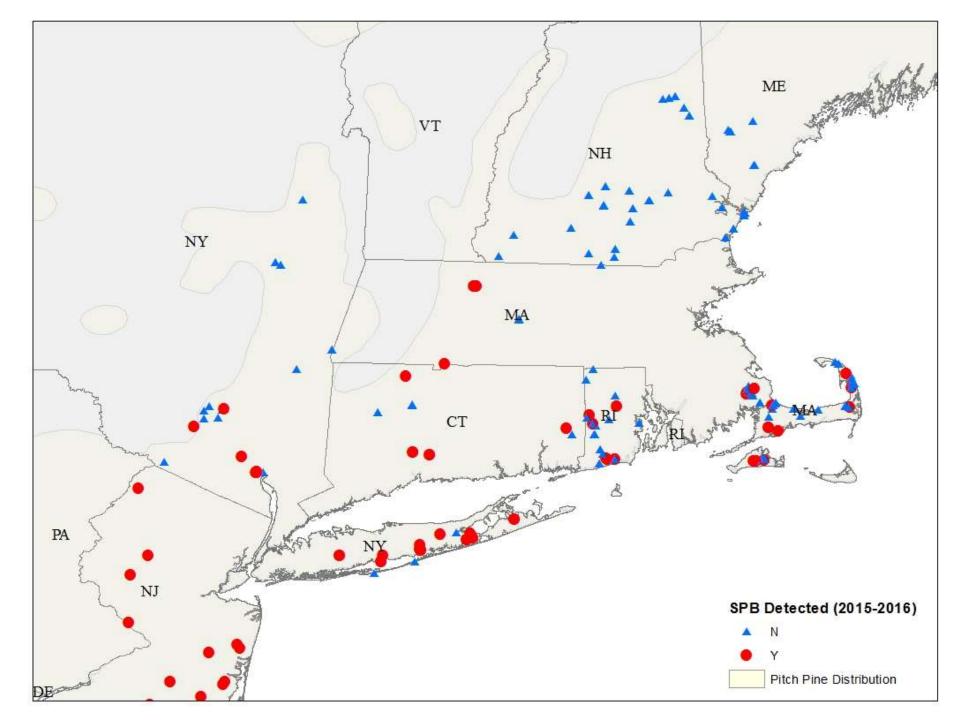
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- Towns with Traps
- Town with SPB trapped summer 2015



## Trapping 2016

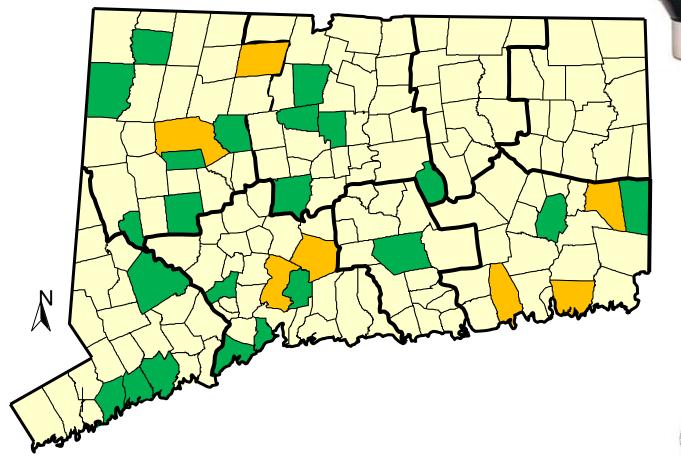
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## Trapping 2017

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Towns with Traps





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