

# Our Goals

## PREVENTION

Prevent the introduction of invasive species into the SLELO PRISM region.

## EARLY DETECTION & RAPID RESPONSE

Detect new and recent invaders and rapidly respond to eliminate all individuals within a specific area.

## COOPERATION

Share resources, expertise, personnel, equipment, and information.

## INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

Collect, utilize, and share information regarding surveys, infestations, control methods, monitoring, and research.

## CONTROL

Control invasive species infestations by using best management practices, methods and techniques to include:

**ERADICATION** - Eliminate all individuals and the seed bank from an area.

**CONTAINMENT** - Reduce the spread of established infestations.

**SUPPRESSION** - Reduce the density but not necessarily the total infested area.

## RESTORATION

Develop and implement effective restoration methods for areas that have been degraded by invasive species and where suppression or control has taken place.

## EDUCATION / OUTREACH

Increase public awareness and understanding of invasive species issues through volunteer monitoring, citizen science and community outreach.

## INNOVATION

Explore technologies to enhance invasive species prevention and management initiatives.

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## Explore, Observe, Report

Learn to recognize and report invasive species in our region.

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St. Lawrence Eastern Lake Ontario Partnership for Invasive Species Management

## Emerald Ash Borer (*Agrius planipennis*)



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# What is an Emerald Ash Borer (EAB)?

This Asian beetle, (*Agrilus planipennis*) infests and kills North American ash tree species (*Fraxinus sp.*) including green, white, black and blue ash, and their cultivars. The larval stage of EAB feeds under the bark of ash trees, cutting off the flow of water and nutrients.

## Visible Signs of EAB Infestation

- Sucker sprouts grow from base of tree
- Loss of leaves and branches



- Extreme wood pecker damage
- S-Shaped tunnels under bark



## EAB Identification:

### Adult EAB:

- **Color:** Dark Metallic Green body, with coppery red abdomen under wings.



- **Size:** 1/2 inch wide and 1/8<sup>th</sup> inch long; small enough to fit on a penny.



- Adults may be present from **May-September.**
- They make 1/8" **D-Shaped exit holes** in bark which are often located towards the crown of the tree and **hard to see.**

### EAB Larvae:

- **Color:** Creamy white
- **Size:** 1 inch-long "worms" with bell-shaped segments



\* Larvae make **S-shaped tunnels** under bark; larvae themselves are hard to see.

## Ash Tree Identification:

- Branches/buds are arranged directly across from one another (opposite orientation)



Red dots mark opposing branches



Undemeath side of another branch

- Leaves are compound, containing 5-11 leaflets depending on tree species



Ash One leaf, 9 leaflets



Green Ash One leaf, 7 leaflets



Black Ash One leaf, 7 leaflets



White Ash top/bottom One leaf, 7 leaflets

- Bark has distinct diamond shaped ridges



The bark on a younger ash tree is relatively smooth.



Green ash - As the tree ages the bark thickens and a diamond-like pattern in the raised bark is noticeable.



This ridged trunk section is from a very mature ash tree.