

WARREN COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD
PROHIBITION OF IMPORTATION OF FIREWOOD
FROM ALL LOCATIONS OUTSIDE OF
WARREN COUNTY

WHEREAS the movement of firewood throughout Iowa and to other states poses the greatest threat to quickly spread the Emerald Ash Borer even further;

WHEREAS recently identified infestations in Des Moines and Jefferson Counties will most likely be located in a new quarantined area in Iowa;

WHEREAS the Warren County Conservation Board endeavors to protect the natural resources of Warren County by impeding the movement of invasive species via the transportation of firewood, and;

WHEREAS effective January 2011, all firewood offered for sale, sold or distributed in Iowa must include the harvest location of the wood by county and state. This labeling requirement also applies to bulk firewood, requiring the harvest location to be included on the delivery. This rule applies to any length of tree that has been cut and intended for burning.

WHEREAS areas currently infested are under federal and state quarantines, but unknowing campers or others who transport firewood can spark an outbreak;

BE IT RESOLVED BY the Warren County Conservation Board of Warren County, Iowa as follows:

1. To stem the spread of firewood borne pests, officials are asking Iowans to not move firewood and instead buy and burn locally.
2. That in accordance with State and Federal guidelines, the Conservation Board hereby prohibits the importation of firewood from outside Warren County unless it has been certified or approved by a county, state or federal natural resource agency.
3. Should proof of certification be absent, unauthorized firewood in the parks may be removed and destroyed by agency staff according to regulations.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly and legally adopted by the **Warren County Conservation Board of Warren County, Iowa** at a legal meeting held on this 14th day of August 2013.

James R Priebe, Director

Any comments or questions may be directed to James R Priebe at 515/961-6169, Warren County Conservation Board, 15565 118th Avenue, Indianola, Iowa 50125.

Date Posted

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