APHIS Removes Portions of Nassau and Suffolk Counties, New York from the Asian Longhorned Beetle (Anoplophora glabripennis)-Quarantined Area

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To: State, Tribal, and Territory Agricultural Regulatory Officials

Effective immediately, the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) is removing 7.4 square miles from the Asian longhorned beetle (Anoplophora glabripennis; ALB) quarantined area in Nassau and Suffolk Counties, New York. The areas removed from quarantine include 0.8 square miles of the Town of Oyster Bay in Nassau County and 2.4 square miles in the north and 0.7 square miles in the south of the Town of Babylon, and 3.5 square miles of the Town of Huntington in Suffolk County. APHIS determined that these areas could be removed from the quarantine after the ALB Eradication Program completed final surveys of host trees.

The other portions of Nassau and Suffolk Counties remain under quarantine. The attached Federal Order describes the quarantined area removed and includes the associated reference to 7 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 301.51-1 through 301.51-9 that lists the provisions for the movement of ALB-regulated articles.

ALB is a destructive wood-boring pest that threatens 12 genera of hardwood trees, including maple, in North America. ALB was first discovered in the United States in New York in August 1996. ALB waslater detected in areas of Illinois(1998), New Jersey (2002, 2004), Massachusetts (2008, 2010), Ohio (2011), and South Carolina (2020). After the completion of control and regulatory activities, and following confirmation surveys, APHIS declared ALB eradicated in Illinois (2008); Hudson County, New Jersey (2008); Islip, New York (2011); Union and Middlesex Counties, New Jersey (2013); Manhattan and Staten Island, New York (2013); Suffolk and Norfolk Counties, Massachusetts (2014); portions of Batavia, Monroe, and Stonelick Townships, Ohio (2018); Brooklyn and Queens, New York (2019); a portion of Tate Township, Ohio (2025); and the Town of Holden, Massachusetts (2025). Program activities continue in Worcester County, Massachusetts; Nassau and Suffolk Counties in New York; Clermont County, Ohio; and Charleston and Dorchester Counties in South Carolina.

The APHIS ALB webpage contains the full lists of ALB-quarantined areas and regulated articles. APHIS will publish a notice of this change in the Federal Register.

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