

FOR INFORMATION AND ACTION
DA-2026-22
July 30, 2026

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

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 was later 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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Attachment: Federal Order

FEDERAL ORDER

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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, consisting of a portion of the Town of Oyster Bay in Nassau County and portions of the Towns of Babylon and Huntington in Suffolk County, New York. The areas removed from quarantine includes 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 will remain under quarantine. APHIS will publish a notice of this change in the *Federal Register*.

This Federal Order is issued in accordance with the regulatory authority provided by the Plant Protection Act of June 20, 2000, as amended, [7 U.S.C. 7701 through 7786](#). Section 412(a) of the Plant Protection Act ([7 U.S.C. 7712\(a\)](#)) authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture, among other things, to prohibit or restrict the movement in interstate commerce of any plant, plant product, article, or means of conveyance, if the Secretary determines the prohibition or restriction is necessary to prevent the dissemination of a plant pest within the United States. The regulatory authority provided by [7 U.S.C. 7754](#) allows the Secretary to issue orders to carry out this provision of the Plant Protection Act. This Federal Order is likewise issued pursuant to the regulations promulgated under the Plant Protection Act found at [7 Code of Federal Regulations \(CFR\) 301.51-1 through 301.51-9](#) (hereafter referred to as “the regulations”).

7 CFR 301.51-3(a) allows the designation of less than an entire state as an ALB-quarantined area only when two criteria are met. First, that the state enforces an intrastate ALB quarantine that is equivalent to the Federal ALB quarantine. In accordance, the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets confirmed the establishment of an intrastate quarantine for portions of Nassau and Suffolk Counties that mirrors the Federal interstate quarantine. Second, that the APHIS Administrator has determined, as in this case, that such a designation is adequate to prevent the artificial interstate spread of this pest.

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APHIS appreciates the cooperative relationship with the State of New York in the effort to prevent the spread of ALB.