

ODA places quarantine on Washington County to slow spread of emerald ash borer

In response to the discovery of emerald ash borer (EAB) in Forest Grove last summer, the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) has placed a temporary EAB quarantine on Washington County as per Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR 603-052-0135). The quarantine limits the movement of ash, olive, and white fringe tree materials from Washington County. Not moving wood, nursery stock or other materials from affected species to unaffected locations in the state should help slow the spread of emerald ash borer. EAB is now considered the most destructive forest pest in North America, killing hundreds of millions of ash trees, both native and non-native ornamental trees. This temporary quarantine is in effect until May 16, 2023. [Read more about the quarantine.](#)