

Forest Health Update—Fall 2009

Gypsy Moth

As you all know, Gypsy Moth has been a problem in woodlots throughout Haldimand County for several years. Populations of this pest have seen significant increases, particularly in the Dunnville area in recent years. A cool, wet spring was favourable for the development of the *Entomophaga maimaiga* fungus which is known to be responsible for mortality in larvae. Surveys undertaken this fall and winter will predict next year's population levels.



Emerald Ash Borer (EAB)

Areas that are currently regulated in Ontario by the CFIA for Emerald Ash Borer include:

- City of Hamilton, City of Toronto, and the Regional Municipalities of Durham, York, Peel and Halton
- City of Sault Ste. Marie
- Huron County
- Municipality of Chatham-Kent and the Counties of Elgin, Essex, Lambton and Middlesex
- Norfolk County

EAB has yet to be positively identified in Haldimand County. Traps set out by the CFS and CFIA this summer in Haldimand did not catch any adult EAB. The CFIA continues to survey high-risk areas such as campgrounds, and saw mills in unregulated counties.

REMEMBER: Buy Local and Burn Local. Protect our trees and forests. DO NOT MOVE FIREWOOD.

