Emerald Ash Borer
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Emerald Ash Borer is a highly destructive and invasive pest that arrived from Asia, most likely in untreated ash wood used for packing material.

What it is:

In North America, EAB was first detected in Windsor, ON and Detroit, MI, in 2002. EAB was likely present in these areas for several years prior to discovery.

The rapid spread of EAB has been hastened by the inadvertent human transport of beetle-contaminated firewood and other infested ash materials.

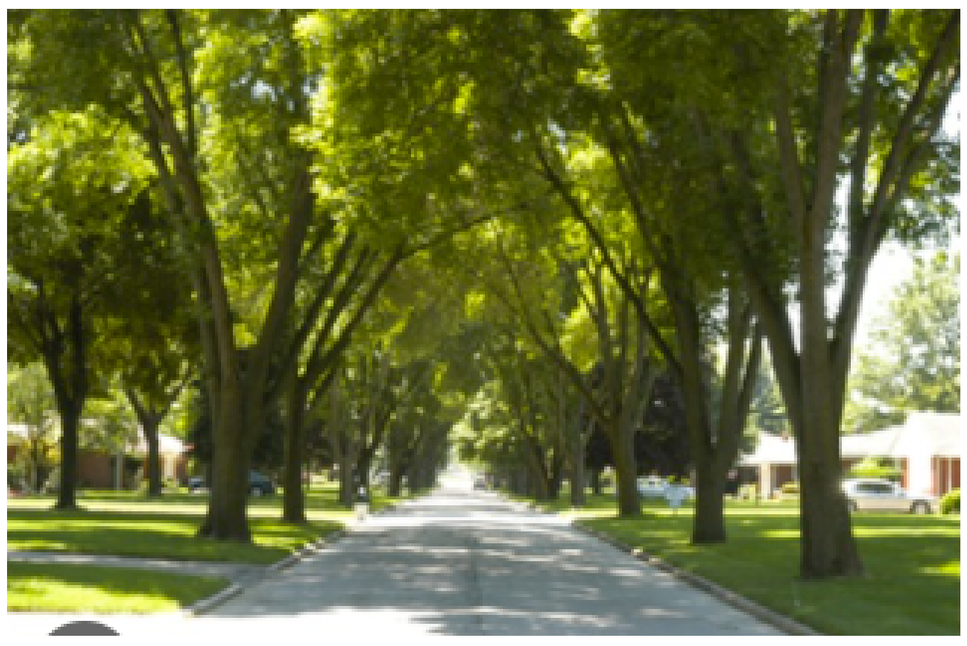
EAB Beetles:

- Metallic green in colour
- Roughly ½ inch long, ⅛ wide
- Body is narrow and elongated with a flat head
- Eyes are kidney shaped, typically black
- Feed on leaves and lay eggs from June to August

EAB Larvae:

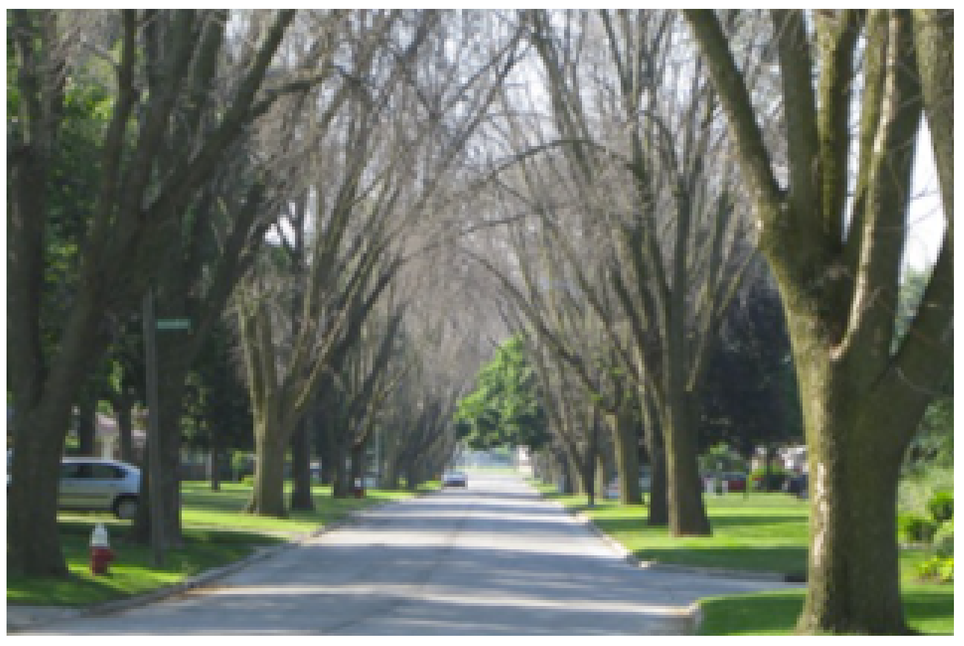
- White and flat, with distinctive bell-shaped segments
- Up to 1 inch in length
- Feed on inner bark, cutting off water and nutrient flow

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Prevention:

Controlling EAB is difficult because the lethal damage is caused by larvae feeding under the bark of ash trees.

Current science supports the conservation via treatment as a sensible and effective tool for managing healthy trees in urban settings.

In many cases, tree conservation is economically and environmentally superior to tree removal.

In Canada, the most effective pesticide available to control EAB is the trunk injectable TreeAzin ® Systemic Insecticide.

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