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IN THE MATTER OF THE PINE SHOOT	*	SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE
BETLE QUARANTINE IN THE INFESTED	*	
AREAS OF ALLEGANY, BALTIMORE,	*	QUARANTINE ORDER #10-01
CARROLL, FREDERICK, GARRETT,	*	
HARFORD, HOWARD, MONTGOMERY, AND	*	
WASHINGTON COUNTIES, MARYLAND	*	EFFECTIVE DATE: June 4, 2010

QUARANTINE ORDER

Authority: Agric. Art. 5-304, Md. Ann. Code

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Quarantine Order is to control, retard, or eradicate a dangerously injurious plant pest known as the pine shoot beetle (*Tomicus piniperda*). This plant pest is known to exist in certain areas of Allegany, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, Harford, Howard, Montgomery, and Washington Counties, Maryland, and is potentially injurious to pine trees in the forest or being grown as Christmas trees or nursery stock. This Order quarantines those areas of the State infested with this beetle and regulates the movement of pine (*Pinus* spp.) products or nonplant material likely to transfer the beetle infestation from the quarantine area to noninfested areas.

This Order defines the quarantine area and conditions regarding the intrastate movement of regulated articles.

II. QUARANTINE AREA

The areas of Maryland known as Allegany, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, Harford, Howard, Montgomery, and Washington Counties.

III. REGULATED ARTICLES

For the purpose of this Quarantine, the following pine products are regulated articles because they may distribute the pine shoot beetles:

- A. Pine (*Pinus* spp.) products as follows: Bark nuggets (including bark chips), Christmas trees, logs with bark attached, lumber with bark attached, nursery stock, pine wreaths and garlands, raw pine material for pine wreaths and garlands, and stumps.
- B. Any product or means of conveyance of any character whatsoever, not covered by paragraph (A) above, when it is determined by the Secretary that it might serve as a means to spread this pest.

IV. CONDITIONS GOVERNING THE MOVEMENT OF REGULATED ARTICLES

- A. All regulated articles require a certificate before movement from a quarantined area. This certificate is issued by the Maryland Department of Agriculture, 50 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, Maryland 21401, telephone 410-841-5920.
- B. A certificate may be issued by the Department if a regulated article:
- (i) Has originated from a noninfested location in a regulated area and has not been exposed to infestation;
 - (ii) Has been found to be free of infestation;
 - (iii) Has been treated to destroy infestation as required by the Maryland Department of Agriculture; or
 - (iv) Meets other conditions as specified in the federal quarantine 7 CFR 301.50-5.

V. QUARANTINE DATE

This Quarantine Order is effective when signed by the Secretary of Agriculture and is in effect until the pine shoot beetle has been controlled in the quarantine area, has been determined not to be a serious plant pest, or the Order is rescinded by the Secretary.

VI. ENFORCEMENT AND APPEAL

A person may not resist or oppose the Secretary or an authorized inspector in enforcing this Quarantine.

An authorized inspector may call upon the assistance of any law enforcement officer to enforce this Quarantine.

A person who violates this Quarantine is subject to criminal penalties as provided in Agriculture Article §12-121 *et. seq.*, Md. Ann. Code.

A person who is aggrieved by this Quarantine may appeal and request a hearing before the Secretary, as provided in Agriculture Article §2-405. Md. Ann. Code. An appeal, however, does not stay this Quarantine.

This Quarantine is hereby ordered by the Maryland Secretary of Agriculture this 4th day of June 2010.

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