

## Tree E-News

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### ***Urban and Community Forestry***

**Plant Health Care Workshop:** The Rocky Mountain Chapter of the ISA is hosting a workshop scheduled for June 13<sup>th</sup> in Fort Collins. The title of this workshop is, "Preparing for the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Invasion." Since its discovery in June of 2002, this non-native insect has moved from Detroit, Michigan to most of the Midwestern states and as far south as the eastern half of Tennessee. In August of 2012, it was discovered in Kansas City, Kansas, just one state away from Colorado. The Kansas Department of Agriculture has implemented an emergency quarantine for Wyandotte County to prevent the spread of the EAB on all ash trees, which are in the genus *Fraxinus*. The quarantine is designed to prevent the movement of hardwood firewood, nursery stock of the genus *Fraxinus*, green lumber of the genus *Fraxinus*, and any other wood material (i.e., stumps, roots, branches, chips) of the genus *Fraxinus*. City officials estimate there are over 20,000 ashes on public property and up to 400,000 on private property in the Kansas City area. To help in the battle to slow the spread of EAB, most communities have stepped up public education on the insect's life history, how to properly identify adults and damage, and steps the public can take to help local government control EAB in their community.

The purpose of the workshop is to prepare Colorado communities. To quote an old cliché, it is not a matter of "if" but "when" EAB will show up in Colorado. The all-day agenda is full of expert presenters and practical information on EAB identification, control options, and community approaches to managing for EAB in a community. The deadline for early registration has passed, but registration is still open until June 6<sup>th</sup>. So there is still time to get registered for a limited number of seats. A registration form can be downloaded from the ISA Rocky Mountain Chapter website <http://www.isarmc.org>.



### ***Colorado Tree Coalition***

**Tour de Poudre:** The 14<sup>th</sup> annual *Tour de Poudre Cycling for Trees* will take place on June 30<sup>th</sup>. This event is being co-hosted by the Colorado Tree Coalition and International Society of Arboriculture Rocky Mountain Chapter. The complete registration form can be downloaded from the CTC website: [www.coloradotrees.org](http://www.coloradotrees.org). The start and finish location is the New Belgium Brewery in Fort Collins. There is a short and long ride this year. All funds generated from registration fees will be used for tree planting and tree research. Registrations must be submitted by June 21, 2013.

### ***Upcoming Events***

**23<sup>rd</sup> Western Colorado Community Forestry Conference:** September 13<sup>th</sup> in Frisco, Colorado.

**Northern Rockies Tree School:** September 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> in Dillon, Montana. Registration information available at the chapter website <http://www.isarmc.org>

**ISA Rocky Mountain Chapter Annual Meeting:** September 26 – 28, Cheyenne, Wyoming. Registration information available at the chapter website <http://www.isarmc.org>

All events will have Continuing Education Credits available for ISA Certified Arborist accreditation.