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It's invasive species week, which is a great time to get educated about pests to watch out for to protect our ecosystems here in the Buckeye State. 🐛

The [Ohio Department of Agriculture](#) has noted concerns about the spotted lanternfly, Asian long-horned beetle, box tree moth, and spongy moth. Learn more about these pests and how to do your part:

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4 invasive species the Ohio Department of Agriculture is worried about

pictured above Asian long-horn beetles are black with white spots and large antennae and can be up to an inch-and-a-half long. Native to China and the Korean Peninsula, they chew through tree trunks, often causing attacked trees to die within 15 years of infestation. Trees of interest to these menaces include maples, elms and buckeyes. (columbusdispatch)

Spotted lanternflies are invasive, plant-hopping insects from China. They pose a "major concern" for grape, orchard, tree fruit and hop growers, said Dan Kenny, chief of the Ohio Department of Agriculture's plant health division. (columbusdispatch)

spongy moths can kill trees in as little as two years. Their favorite prey include American crab apple, red oak and river birch trees. (columbusdispatch)

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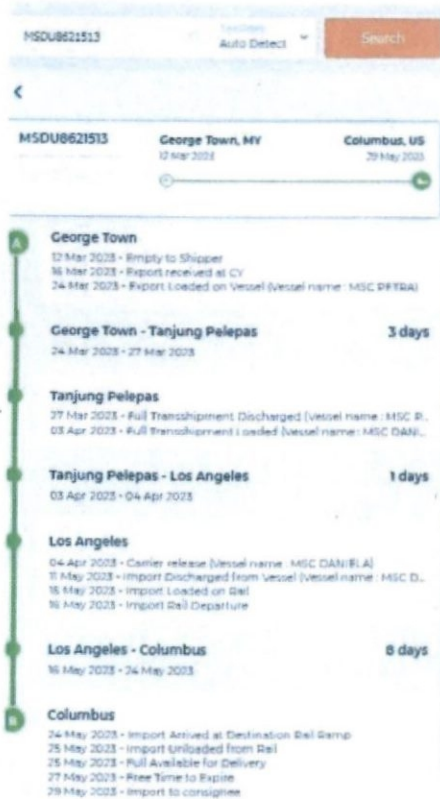
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Prevention is to stop bringing invasive species to our (local) area.

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Trees will save the earth, not the alien bugs that kill them, or the solar panels.

Tracking information from one of the containers brought to the Madison Fields Solar Project site during construction in 2023.



Also, not to forget the Asian longhorned tick that is killing our livestock-
The invasive population of Asian longhorned ticks in the United States likely began with three or more self-cloning females from northeastern Asia, according to a new study. Asian longhorned ticks outside the U.S. can carry debilitating diseases. In the United States and elsewhere they can threaten livestock and pets.

www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2020/07/200708110014.htm

Nov 2023 <https://news.osu.edu/an-exotic-tick-that-can-kill-cattle-is-spreading-across-ohio/>