WHAT’S AT RISK?

Help us keep invasive species in their place.

Giant African Snail
Reproduces quickly—about 1,200 eggs in a single year.

What’s at risk: 500+ types of plants; structures made of stucco and plaster.

Asian Longhorned Beetle and Emerald Ash Borer
Larvae feed on trees, eventually killing them.

What’s at risk: Hardwood trees everywhere.

Mediterranean Fruit Fly
Threat to commercial crops; larvae spread through infested fruits.

What’s at risk: Hundreds of varieties of fruits, vegetables, and nuts.

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Mexican Fruit Fly (and other exotic fruit flies)
Serious threat to commercial crops; spreads through infested fruits.

What’s at risk: 50+ fruits and vegetables including avocados, citrus, and mangoes.

Gypsy Moth
Caterpillars ravage leaves, eventually killing trees and shrubs.

What’s at risk: More than 300 species of trees and shrubs.

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PROTECT THE THINGS YOU LOVE

Our ecosystems and industries are counting on you to protect trees, plants, and crops from invasive pests that harm them. Here’s how you can help.

MAIL & EXPRESS CARRIERS
Don’t mail homegrown plants, fruits, or vegetables.

INTERNET SALES
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FIREWOOD
Hungry Pests can spread by hiding inside firewood. Use certified, heat-treated wood or responsibly gather wood at your destination.

HOUSEHOLD MOVES
Hungry Pests are hitchhikers. Before relocating, remove egg masses and insects from grills and outdoor furniture.

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Don’t click too quick

Don’t pack a pest

Don’t carry creepy crawlers

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