## Firewood Alert - Leave Firewood at Home!



## **Firewood Threatens Wisconsin Forests**

Firewood may contain destructive non-native insects and plant diseases. Bringing firewood into the park from other areas may accidentally spread pest insects and diseases that threaten the health of our forests. Management of trees infected with these pests involves drastic measures, possibly including complete removal of all trees (infested and otherwise) in the immediate and surrounding areas. To help protect Wisconsin forests, do not carry firewood into the Dalrymple Park.

Use firewood provided in the park for campfires!

## **Emerald Ash Borer**

The adult emerald ash borer is slender and a bright, metallic, coppery-green color. It is about one-third of an inch long, making it difficult to spot in tree leaves. The larval, or immature, form of the pest destroys live ash trees by tunneling under the bark and eating the vascular tissue that supplies nutrients to the tree. The tree starves to death within three years after the vascular tissue is destroyed.



Adult emerald ash borer



D-shaped borer exit holes in bark.



Emerald ash borer larva



Larval feeding tunnels beneath the tree's bark.