

Mike Beam, Secretary

Laura Kelly, Governor

**BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE
MANHATTAN, KANSAS**

ORDER RESCINDING PERMANENT EMERALD ASH BORER QUARANTINE

COMES NOW, Michael M. Beam, Secretary of the Kansas Department of Agriculture (“Secretary”) and pursuant to K.S.A. 2-2117, hereby revokes the Permanent Emerald Ash Borer (*Agrilus planipennis*) Quarantine established on February 21, 2020.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ) implemented a federal quarantine regulating the emerald ash borer (7 CFR Part 301.53-1 through 301.53-9) on October 8, 2003;

WHEREAS, the Kansas Department of Agriculture (“KDA”) implemented its current Permanent Emerald Ash Borer Quarantine, which includes Atchison, Doniphan, Douglas, Jackson, Jefferson, Johnson, Leavenworth, Miami, Shawnee, and Wyandotte Counties, on February 21, 2020;

WHEREAS, USDA published a final rule revoking its existing federal emerald ash borer quarantine regulations in December 2020; and

WHEREAS, KDA has determined that the effectiveness of KDA’s current county quarantines will be limited absent uniform federal quarantine regulations, and the control of emerald ash borer within Kansas will be better accomplished through the implementation of increased education, outreach, surveying, and biocontrol efforts.

THEREFORE, KDA’s Permanent Emerald Ash Borer Quarantine dated February 21, 2020 is hereby rescinded and shall be of no further force or effect.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 26th DAY OF March, 2021
IN MANHATTAN, RILEY COUNTY, KANSAS.



Michael M. Beam
Secretary, Kansas Department of Agriculture