

# Federal Role

## What can you expect from USDA APHIS?

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“Coping with the Costs:”  
Morton Arboretum  
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## June 2006 – Kane County

- Survey for EAB
- Regulate movement of host material
- Outreach regarding EAB

## May 2007 Cook County

- Maintain regulatory posture
- Support IDA in EAB management
- Promote technology transfer

## August 2007 Morton Arboretum

- Maintain interstate EAB regulation
- Support IDA and municipalities in EAB management
- Promote technology transfer

## June 2008 City of Chicago

- Prevent/Reduce interstate movement of EAB
- Support IDA, City of Chicago, municipalities in EAB management
- Promote technology transfer and outreach

## August 2008 Deerfield

- Status report regarding ALB find
- Collaborate with IDA in rapid response survey, site/residential/commercial visits
- Information sharing regarding ALB life cycle, host, characteristics, etc.
- Establish ALB reporting Hot Line

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Answer: Three C's

Consistency  
Cooperation  
Communication

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- Interstate regulation – Compliance, inspection, etc.
- Program support – Survey, control, supplies, etc.
- Message – “I hope this is evident.”

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- Resource sharing – MOU with USFS, other agencies
- Funding – Cooperative Agreements
- Standardization – Compatible state to state response

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- Regulatory information – Compliance data
- Technology transfer – Research findings
- Outreach – Education, training, brochures, etc.

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Conclusion - Regardless of pest, e.g. EAB, ALB, Gypsy moth, *P. ramorum*, etc. – USDA APHIS response is the same.

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