

The **Asian Longhorned Beetle** invades many trees: Ash, Birch, Elm, Horsechestnut, Maple family (Boxelder, Norway, Red and Silver Maple), and Willow. It is also reported to invade Mountain Ash, Sycamore, and Poplar. The insect is a large 3/4 of an inch to 1 1/4 inches long black beetle with white spots and long black and white striped antennae, 1 1/2 to 2 times longer than the insect's body. The damage to trees includes death of individual branches or the whole tree. On close inspection, you can see oval to round pits in the bark and oval to round holes in the trunks, 3/8-inch in diameter. In summer, these holes may ooze sap. Sawdust may accumulate at the base of the tree or where branches join the trunk. The Asian Longhorned Beetle probably arrived in the United States in wood packaging from China. To prevent further spread, avoid transporting infested wood from another area, even firewood. This insect has not been identified in Nevada to date. For more information go to <http://www.unce.unr.edu/publications/files/ho/2012/sp1206.pdf> and <http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/health/asianlonghorned/tabid/5197/Default.aspx> and http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/plant_pest_info/asian_lhb/