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TO: NH City and Town Tax Collectors

FROM: Forest Health Section, NH Division of Forests and Lands

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SUBJECT: NH Cities and Towns at Risk for Oak Wilt Disease

Oak Wilt is a serious tree disease that kills thousands of oaks each year in the eastern United States. The disease is caused by a fungus that grows in the water conducting vessels of trees leading to wilt and tree mortality. Oak wilt has been detected in multiple locations throughout the state of New York over the past 10 years. The fungus that causes oak wilt can be easily transported in firewood and it is possible that NY residents have moved diseased firewood to their second homes and camps here in NH. We need your help to identify these sites so that we can survey for this disease and stop oak wilt before it spreads to our forests. If possible please forward any information that would aid us in locating properties in NH owned by residents living in the following NY towns.

Glenville- 12302 Naples- 14512 Canandaigua- 14424 Brooklyn- 11232 Central Islip- 11722 Wildwood- 11792 Cutchogue- 11935 West Islip- 11795

Thanks for helping us preserve NH's forests. More information about oak wilt and other forest health issues in NH can be found on the web at: nhdfl.org/forest-health and nhbugs.org.

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