



Empire Farm Days: August 6-8, 2019
Rodman Lott & Son Farms, Seneca Falls, NY
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Spotted lanternfly (seen above) and other invasive species of agricultural interest will be presented by Patty Wakefield-Brown of the Finger Lakes Institute in a daily program at the August 6-8, 2019 Empire Farm Days. Photo: Finger Lakes PRISM

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Learn about Farm and Forest Invasive Species at 2019 Empire Farm Days

Seneca Falls, NY. Spotted lanternfly may be getting a lot of attention lately, but it is not the only invasive species causing concern or issues for farmers and forest owners. A daily program presented by the Finger Lakes Institute and Finger Lakes PRISM at 11:30 am in the Lot #919 building at the August 6-8, 2019 Empire Farm Days in Seneca Falls, N.Y., will focus on a variety of invasive insects demanding notice.

Emerald ash borer, European crane fly, swede midge, spotted wing drosophila, and spotted lanternfly are some of the species that Patty Wakefield-Brown, with the Finger Lakes Institute and Finger Lakes PRISM: Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management at Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Geneva, NY, will present.

The Invasive Species Outreach and Volunteer Coordinator with Finger Lakes PRISM, Wakefield-Brown will share new information on the range of these pests, how to identify the problem insects, and management strategies. The impact of changing weather conditions on invasive species will be noted.

A Finger Lakes PRISM information booth will be available to visit throughout the show in the same building as the daily program. Finger Lakes PRISM resources include a 2019 Land Manager's Guide to Developing an Invasive Plant Management Plan.

The Finger Lakes PRISM housed in the Finger Lakes Institute at Hobart and William Smith Colleges covers 17 update counties, working with diverse stakeholders to reduce the impact of invasive species.

The Empire Farm Days agricultural trade show and rural living event is held at Rodman Lott and Son Farms in Seneca Falls, NY. Admission is free; parking is \$10 per vehicle. More information on the show and its working equipment and crops demonstrations, test driving opportunities, products, live horse and cattle demonstrations, safety information, and more is online at www.empirefarmdays.com. Also see Facebook and Instagram.

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