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Texas Phoenix palm decline



Brown marmorated stink bug

Florida First Detector Training is a multiagency educational effort focused on enhancing the early detection of exotic, invasive pests that threaten agriculture, nursery industries, and natural areas.

We provide scripted presentations on various invasive species topics that are of particular concern to Florida as well as e-learning online training.



Giant African land snail



Tuta Absoluta



Florida First Detector Training is a cooperative effort between:



Protecting American agriculture is the basic charge of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS).



The Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey Program (CAPS Program) is coordinated by USDA-APHIS and serves as a second line of defense against entry of harmful plant pests and weeds through surveys targeted at specific pests.



The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services is responsible for the protection of Florida's vast plant industries and native plant life, as well as the public through the exclusion, detection, eradication and control of injurious plant pests and diseases.



The National Plant Diagnostic Network works to identify pests and pathogens of concern and reports findings to appropriate responders and decision makers.



Sentinel Plant Network (SPN) was developed as a First Detector program specifically designed for botanical gardens. They provide workshops, online training, and access to NPDN labs for plant pest identification.



Protect U.S. provides invasive species education for small farm producers, homeowner, and K-12 in the form of scripted presentations for educators, online training for clientele, and lesson plans for teachers.



The University of Florida is a land grant university that researches invasive species issues and provides information as well as practical management suggestions which is then delivered to clientele through its extensive cooperative extension system.