

Canadian Food Inspection Agency



Our vision:

To excel as a science-based regulator, trusted and respected by Canadians and the international community.

Our mission:

Dedicated to safeguarding food, animals and plants, which enhances the health and well-being of Canada's people, environment and economy. CFIA Update on the S. noctilio program in Canada

Sirex Program Update and Industry Outreach Meeting, Annapolis, Maryland January 9, 2007

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Outline of Presentation

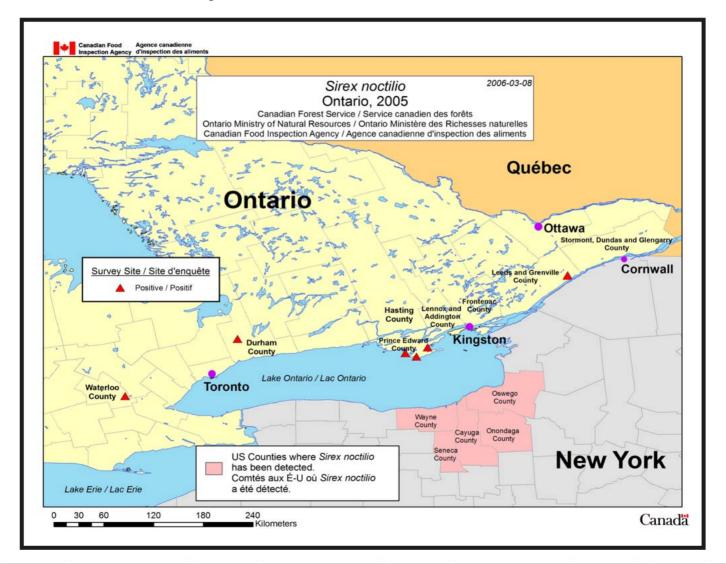
Canadian surveys for *S. noctilio* in 2005/2006

Research

Outreach

Recommendations





Surveys for Ontario and Quebec were contracted out to the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and the Ministère des Ressources Naturelles, et de la Faune et des Parcs du Québec

Protocol developed by CFS and CFIA in collaboration with the Ontario and Quebec ministries

CFIA initiated additional surveys for *S. noctilio* in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia

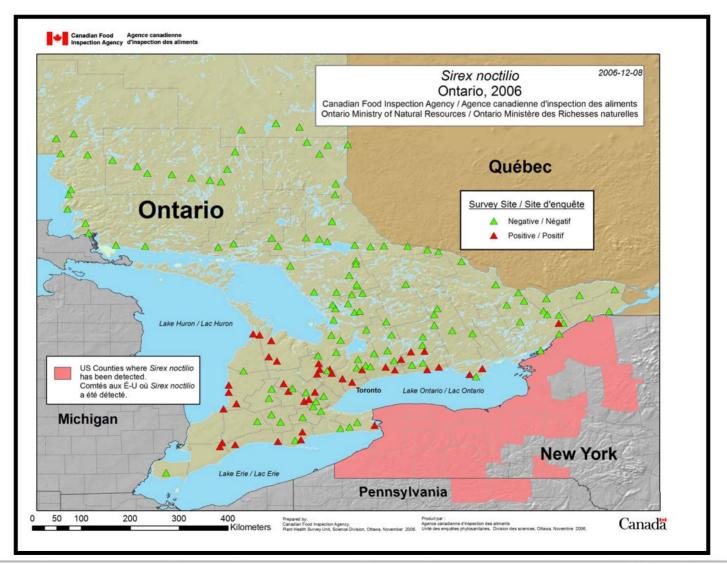




IPM panel traps and 12-unit Lindgren funnel traps were deployed

Province	Number of survey locations	Number of Positive Trap Sites
Ontario	158	37
Quebec	156	0
Nova Scotia	10	0
New Brunswick	10	0

2006 survey for S. noctilio - Ontario



2006 survey for *S. noctilio* – Ontario survey Facts

- 158 sites surveyed in Ontario
- 32,000 km travelled to set up and service these sites
- Over 1200 samples were collected
- 24 staff involved in the survey (OMNR and CFS)
- 37 sites disclosed positive of *S. noctilio*

2006 survey for *S. noctilio* - Ontario

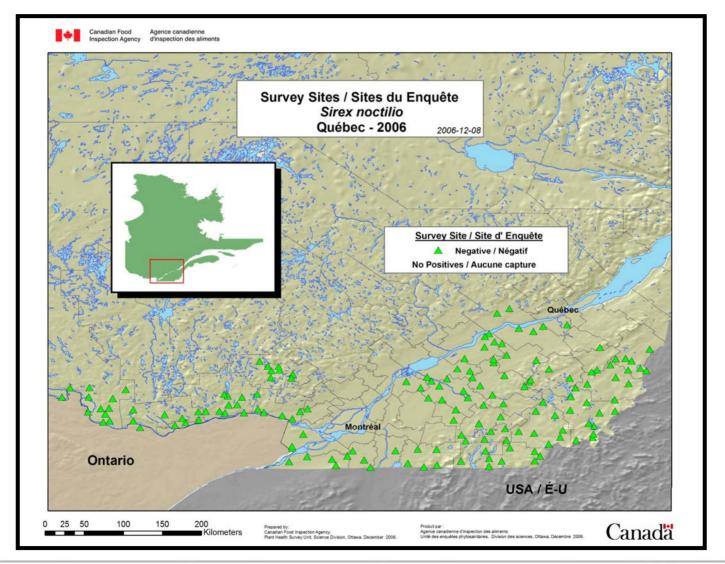
Species	Qty	First Catch	Last Catch
Sirex noctilio	74	12 July	10 October
Sirex behrensii	12	20 September	12 October
Sirex edwardsii	28	5 September	13 October
Sirex juvencus	26	8 August	4 October
Sirex nigricornus	264	5 September	13 October
Tremex columba	17	19 July	11 October
Urocerus albicornis	5	21 July	9 August
Urocerus cressoni	132	12 July	28 September
Urocerus taxodi	1*	4 August	
Xerus spectrum	4	7 July	1 August

Traps deployed last week of June, first week of July, taken down by 13 October





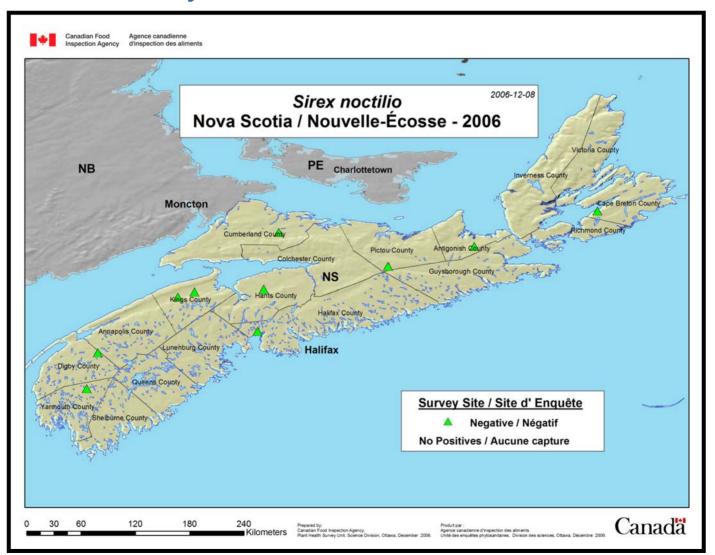
2006 survey for *S. noctilio* – Quebec results



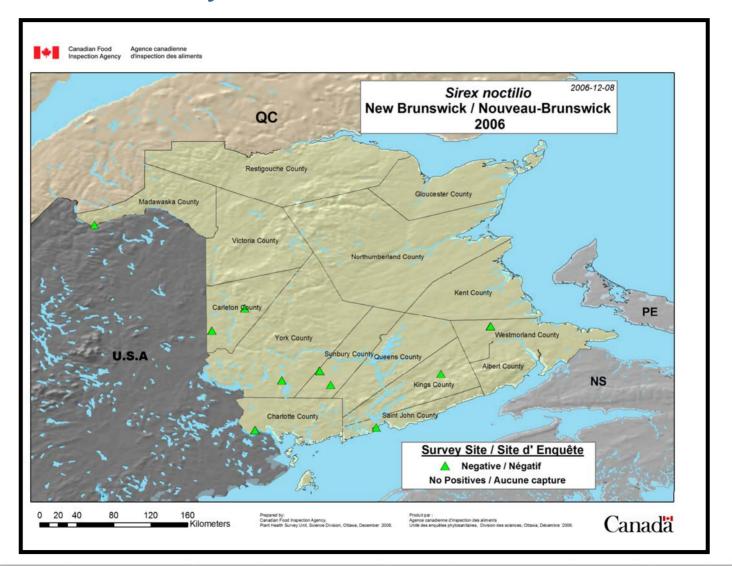
2006 survey for *S. noctilio* - Quebec

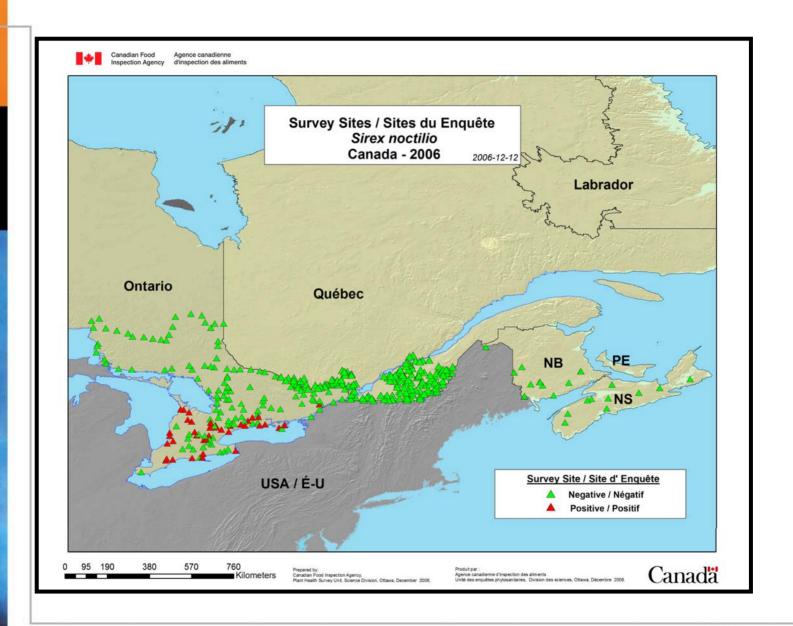
Species	Number
Sirex noctilio	0
Sirex edwardsii	18
Sirex juvencus	13
Sirex nigricornis	262
Tremex columba	1
Urocerus cressoni	177
Urocerus albicornis	24
Xeris spectrum	7

2006 survey for S. noctilio - Nova Scotia



2006 survey for *S. noctilio* –New Brunswick





- Detection
- Ecology
- Management



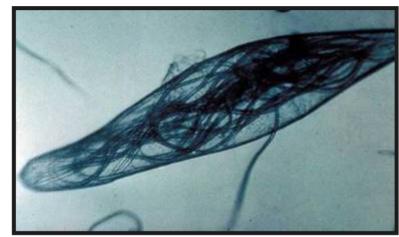
Detection ... building a better wasp trap

- Test insect and host produced attractants
- Test trap types including trap trees
- Determine best location within a tree and within the forest



Ecology - Natural Enemies

•Is the nematode *Delandanus* siricidicola present in Canada, and if so, what strain?



•Is the fungus (*A. areolataum*) which sustains the parasitic nematode present in Canada?



Impact and Spread



Spread Model – How does *S. noctilio* move through the landscape and how quickly does it spread?

Outreach

Stakeholder meeting, September 20-21, 2006 Ottawa, Ontario

Participants

- Forest products industry association, Christmas tree, horticultural and nursery associations, woodlot members, Quebec Wood Export Bureau
- CFS, PMRA, AFN, AAFC, CFIA
- OMNR, QMRNF, NBDNR, OMAF, Conservation Ontario
- USDA, NYSDAM, NYDEC

Outreach

Stakeholder meeting (cont'd)

- Presentations
 - Biology and Identification of S. noctilio
 - Pest Risk Assessment
 - Surveys
 - Research Updates
 - Biological Control

- Discussion break out session
 - Regulatory options
 - Management and Control options for the Forest Resource Base

Recommendations

Stakeholder meeting (cont'd)

- Cost Benefit assessment of regulating the movement of high risk pine commodities
- Cost Benefit assessment of implementing a biological control program
- Inventory Pathway Study
- Forest Products Certification program
- Continued research to address significant gaps
- Continued outreach

In Summary....

- 2006 survey identified 37 sites in Ontario where S. noctilio was trapped, but none in Quebec, New Brunswick or Nova Scotia
- Research is underway with respect to the biology, ecology and detection, and the presence of the parasitic nematode
- Stakeholder meeting was held in September, and outreach program will be expanded
- The Sirex Management and Science panels will continue to work together so that the appropriate management strategies can be implemented

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