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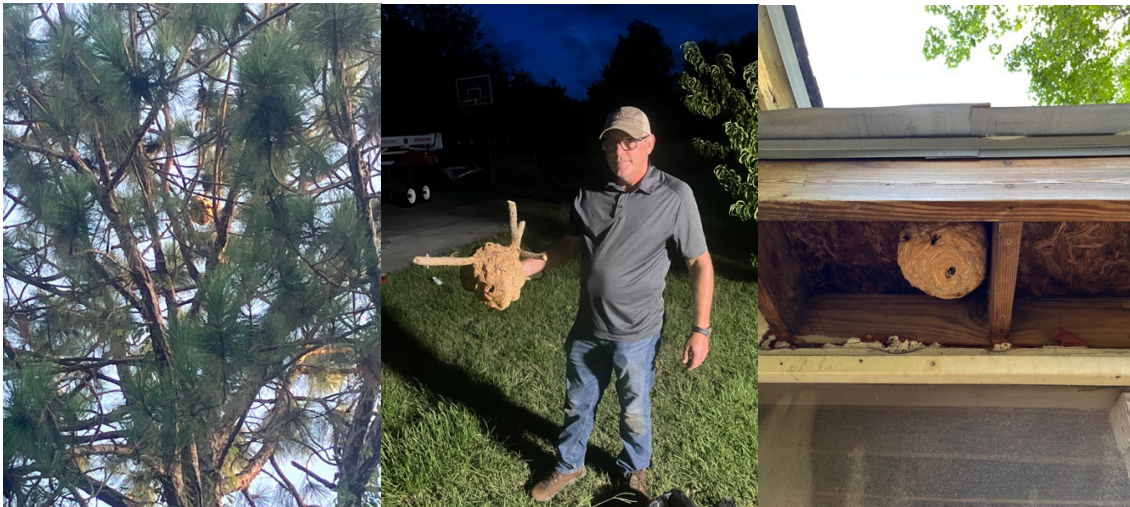
YELLOW-LEGGED LEDGER

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Yellow-legged Hornet Update: Three Nests Eradicated

Since the last issue of the *Yellow-legged Ledger*, the Plant Protection Division (PPD) has located and eradicated three Yellow-legged Hornet (YLH) nests in the Savannah area. One nest was removed by a vigilant homeowner, another by a pest management professional, and the third was discovered abandoned.

As we are still early in the secondary nest season, it's too soon to determine whether these were primary or secondary nests. Further analysis is currently underway.



Update by the Numbers:

New Traps Deployed (since January 1, 2025): 799

Total traps deployed (August 17, 2023 – July 23, 2025): 2,046

Hornets found (June 26, 2025 – July 9, 2025): 23

Nests found & eradicated (July 10, 2025 – July 23, 2025): 3

Total nests found & eradicated (August 2023 – July 23, 2025): 63

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- 2025: 4 embryo nests, 4 primary nests, 2 secondary nests
- 2024: 4 embryo nests, 3 primary nests, 40 secondary nests
 - Total: 47
- 2023: 5 secondary nests

The latest YLH activity map offers an overview of recent detection trends. Areas with positive trap captures are shown as a heatmap, while confirmed nest locations are marked with red squares.

Job Alert: Join the Fight Against the Yellow-legged Hornet!

PPD is seeking motivated individuals to assist with YLH eradication efforts. This is an excellent opportunity—especially for college students—to gain valuable field experience and contribute to protecting Georgia's #1 industry - agriculture. *NOTE: Applicants must reside near Savannah.*

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Some of What You'll Be Doing:

- Deploy and monitor traps
- Record trap data using designated software
- Check and maintain traps on a weekly schedule
- Replace bait as needed

Apply or learn more at: <https://bit.ly/4f1RhII>.



Stay Alert: If you spot a nest, please report it immediately. You can contact PPD at yellow.legged.hornet@agr.georgia.gov or submit a report using our [online form](#).



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We appreciate your assistance in helping us eradicate this serious threat to Georgia's agriculture, our state's number one industry. For more information, visit GDA's Dedicated Yellow-legged Hornet webpage:
<https://agr.georgia.gov/yellow-legged-hornet>