



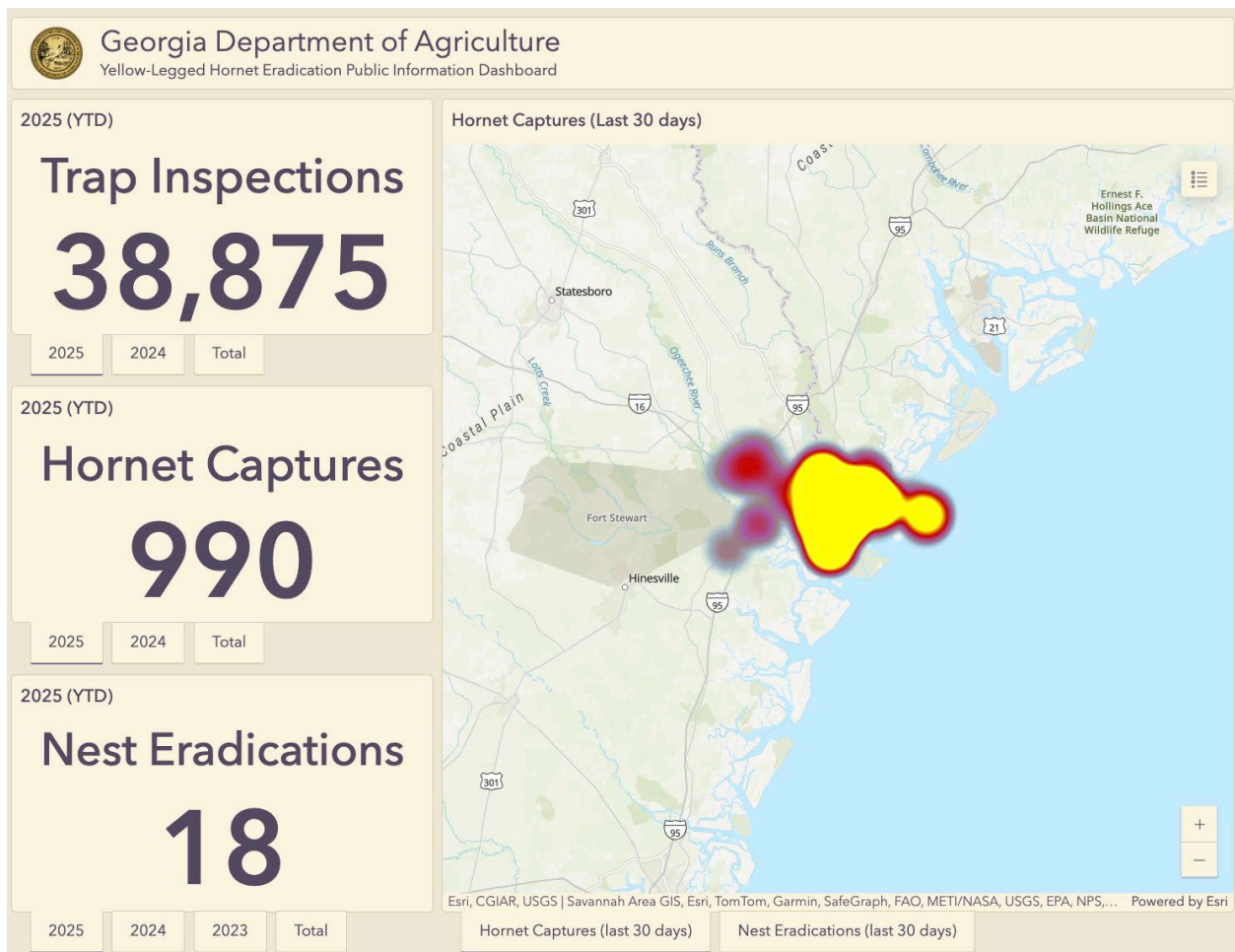
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Introducing a New Online Tool

We are excited to introduce the [Yellow-legged Hornet Eradication Map](#). This online tool provides information on hornet activity and supports awareness and monitoring efforts by showing where confirmed detections have occurred.



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Update by the Numbers:

New Traps Deployed (since January 1, 2025): 818

Total traps deployed (August 17, 2023 – August 20, 2025): 2,068

Hornets found (August 7, 2025 – August 20, 2025): 241

Nests found & eradicated (August 7, 2025 – August 20, 2025): 6 (2 still to be eradicated)

Total nests found & eradicated (August 2023 – August 20, 2025): 72

- 2025: 4 embryo nests, 4 primary nests, 16 secondary nests
- 2024: 4 embryo nests, 3 primary nests, 40 secondary nests
 - Total: 47
- 2023: 5 secondary nests

Bi-Weekly Update

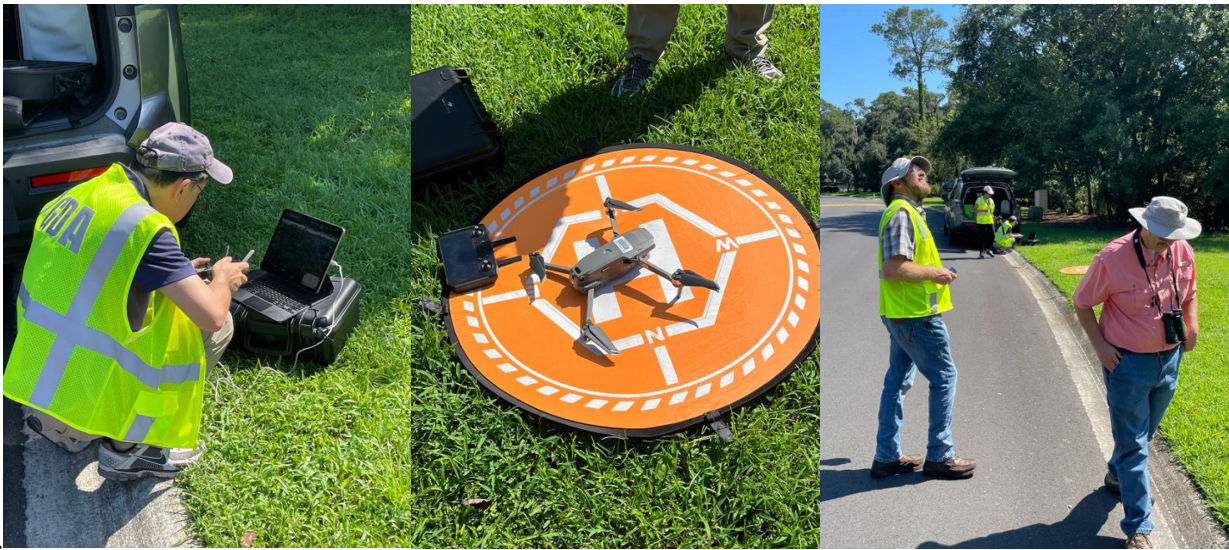
Over the past several weeks, the Plant Protection team has been actively locating and eradicating Yellow-legged Hornet nests in the Savannah area. So far, they've discovered eight large secondary nests—some as big as a beach ball. We continue to urge residents to stay alert for nests like those pictured below and report any sightings to us at yellow.legged.hornet@agr.georgia.gov or through our [online form](#).



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(Pictured on the right: Plant Protection team members David Williams and Cade Houston with an eradicated nest discovered on Isle of Hope in Savannah.)

Recently, our team has been collaborating with Dr. Yong-Lak Park, Professor of Entomology at West Virginia University's College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, and his research team to train drones in locating Yellow-legged Hornet nests from the air. This approach uses technology to detect and respond to threats with greater precision—enhancing our efforts to protect Georgia's top industry, agriculture, from these invasive pests.



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>.