►Got a pool? Check the filter!

Helping the NJ Forest Service monitor for invasive insects like the Asian Longhorned Beetle is as simple as checking your swimming pool filter.

Though eradicated in the state, the Asian Longhorned Beetle (ALB) is still on the move, especially during the late summer when adult beetles are active outside of their host tree. When you clean out your pool filter, check to see if you’ve captured this or any other invasive insect in it. If you find ALB in your filter, or see signs of ALB infestation anywhere else in NJ, please send a picture to our forest health email: foresthealth@dep.nj.gov

A good resource for identifying this invasive insect can be found here: https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/planthealth/plant-pest-and-disease-programs/pests-and-diseases/asian-longhorned-beetle?fbclid=IwAR0-bdc2WtOUu2iXLAEyLA5MyqvGQjUbftiydqMqpR7C0eMC7OxzG5DR8

Information about other invasive forest health pests can be found here: https://www.nj.gov/dep/parksandforests/forest/foresthealth/index.html